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EDUCATION

Wellington College, Crowthorne, UK

Expected Graduation: May 2023

A-Level Subjects: Maths, Economics, Chemistry

EPQ Topic: Capitalist Expansion in the United States - A Path to Sustainable Growth or Climate Degradation?

Vasant Valley School, New Delhi

October 2012 – May 2021

Grade 10: CBSE finals: 94.6%

AWARDS & COMPETITIONS

Academic

Wellington College Humanities and Social Science Essay Competition- Prompt: *Do investments in oil and gas industry hamper climate change goals in UAE-* shortlisted among top 5 entries 2022

New College of the Humanities Essay competition – Prompt: *How Has the COVID-19 Pandemic Impacted Inequalities?* 2021

John Locke Essay Competition – Prompt: *Do We Need a Greta?* 2021

Senior Mathematical Challenge (UKMT) - Bronze 2021

Global Economics Olympiad (GEO) 2021

Vasant Valley Inter-house Science Quiz – 1st Prize 2019

Vasant Valley English Prompt Based Creative Writing Competition – 3rd Prize 2018

Social Service

Nominated for **Pramerica Spirit of Community Award** for Back 2 School Initiative 2022

Nominated for **Diana Award** for Back 2 School Initiative 2022

OTHER EXAMS & COURSEWORK

STANDARDIZED TESTS

AP Psychology – 5/5 2021

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Northwestern CTD: Microeconomics Seminar

Summer 2021

- Under the mentorship of Prof. Brian Quistberg, I studied various Economics topics including opportunity cost and game theory, and participated in regular quizzes. I also submitted 5 essays throughout the program and wrote a final exam, ultimately scoring B overall.

Youth Creativity, Innovation & Sustainable Leadership Innovation Toolkit Workshop

Summer 2020

- Collaborated with 20 other international students to develop design-based project & hone innovation-oriented thinking skills & creativity, under the guidance of faculty from Center for Sustainable Development and Global Competitiveness, Stanford University

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

Author, The Effect of Covid-19 on the Indian Economy

2021

- Analysed secondary and primary sources in the form of interviews with analysts at an MBB firm to understand the immediate and long-term impacts of Covid-19 on India's economy
- Concluded that, while the pandemic caused a temporary recession, India saw a V-shaped recovery as indicated by GDP growth, forex reserves, FDI and CAD.

Lumiere Scholars Research Program & Published Paper

2021

- Selected for competitive high school research program
- Researched & wrote mini-thesis on behavioral economics topic ‘**Why do consumers get overwhelmed when there are too many choices?**’ under the guidance of UCLA PhD candidate Daniel Mirny
- Selected for publication in the International Journal of Social Science & Economics Research (IJSSER) – Vol. 7, Issue No. 1, January 2022

Columnist, The Daily Guardian

2020-Present

- Regularly contributed articles on the environment, sustainable policy, economics & youth perspectives
- Topics included:
 - “Nature Blooms Against Covid-19 Pandemic”

- “How the Pandemic Improved Marine Life More than Any Policy”
- “Air Pollution: India has 22 of the World’s 30 Most Polluted Cities”
- “Global Electric Car Market to Grow at 26%”
- All articles can be viewed at: <https://theguardian.com/author/inaayat-passi/>

“I Can Be a Changemaker”

2020

- Personal Experience of waste segregation with Mission RGB; Published in [Enviro Annotations Magazine](#)

“A Teenager’s Perspective on Lockdown”

2020

- Daily life for a teen during lockdown; published in the magazine ETV Bharat

LEADERSHIP & SOCIAL INITIATIVES

Founder, Back 2 School

2021-Present

- Initiated & launched a project to fundraise for infrastructure development in SDMC school, Pratibha Vidyalaya, Andrews Ganj
- Approached corporate sponsors and raised total amount exceeding INR 7 lakh
- Updated school infrastructure, including creating a basketball court and tiling a part of the school premises in order to develop their facilities for recreation
- Collected second hand electronic devices, enabling 30+ children to attend online classes during the pandemic
- Developed curriculum & led workshops on interesting co-curricular content, including environmental awareness, physical & mental health
- Initiative that has led to better attendance rates, as well as improved socio-emotional well-being and educational outcomes for the students.
- Recognised by SDMC Commissioner & received Letter of Commendation from Vice President of India

Author, The Green Handbook

2021

- Researched & collated student-friendly resources, to encourage efforts towards sustainability
- Divided chapters into topics including recycling, pollution, and climate change
- Incorporated fun activities to keep students engaged, and enrich their learning.

Founding Team Member, Mission RGB

2019-Present

- Conceived of and launched student-led initiative that promotes household waste segregation at source, to reduce the amount of waste going to landfills and contributing to soil, air, and water pollution.
- Coordinated between local government officials, non-profit organizations (ITC Wellbeing out of Waste) and local waste collectors to plan and execute work.
- Organized and took part in door-to-door drive, along with a team of 8 other students; visited and spoke with residents of over 600+ households about the importance of waste segregation.
- Successfully convinced 80% of the households in my neighborhood to segregate their waste.

INTERNSHIPS & WORK EXPERIENCE

Intern, RNT Associates

2020

- Under the mentorship of Sandesh Soni and Dhiraj Rajendran, conducted market research on 3 mobile companies: Digital Turbine, InMobi and Pubmatics, in order to understand competitors, product development and market growth.

SCHOOL CLUBS & SOCIETIES

Sustainability Ambassador, Global Citizenship Programme

2022

- Helped spearhead food waste segregation & composting initiative in school.

Wellington College Ambassador

2021 - Present

- Represent college values & take prospective families on tours around the campus

Head of Hardinge Newsletter

2021 - Present

- Review, edit & curate content for monthly House newsletter, shared with all Hardinge pupils & parents

Member, Economics Society

2021 - Present

- Attend weekly meetings; lead group discussions on topics in economics such as inequality in the pandemic, current inflation rate in the UK and economic policies.

Member, Environmental Society

2021 - Present

- Ideate on & spearhead environmental initiatives in school, including waste segregation and food waste audit. Lead weekly group discussions on environmental topics including climate change, UN SDGs, and rewilding in the UK.

CREATIVE PURSUITS

PHOTOGRAPHY

Founder, The Big Picture Photography Blog

2020-Present

- Photography blog (Instagram handle: @thebigpicture05) in which I share photos from my travels & daily life.

Courses

- “Masters of Photography” with Steve McCurry, Coursera
- PhotoUno Summer Camp, New York City

Summer 2020

Summer 2019

Competitions

- 2nd Prize, Vasant Valley Intra School Photography Competition
- Close Up Photographer of The Year | Link: <https://www.cupoty.com/>
- Royal Horticultural Society Under 18s Photographic competition
- Sony World Photography Awards 2022

May 2020

May 2021

Feb 2022

Jan 2022