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Newspaper by kids, for kids

KidsChaupal is here!

Have you ever wondered 'what if I could do things differently?' or 'what if I can make a career out of my talent?' You know you have an exceptional talent in you, but there is something lacking- either you do not know the scope of your talent in future, or you are not supported enough or you cannot find the right guide/mentor to show you your path. Fret not, as KidsChaupal is here to give you the answers to all your queries related to your skills, talents, learning and future opportunities.

What do you want to make when you grow up? Do you want to create a new Bot, code and make new apps, innovate some new dance moves, create an art that can speak a thousand words, create a world record in a sport of your choice, be the next Mozart or make films that are of value to the future generation...and so on!

At Kidschaupal you are introduced to a world of new opportunities and learning- without compromising on the fun quotient. We have a group of experts and mentors from various fields who conduct workshops and help you learn and see your path to future successes. We provide



App & Ambassador Launch Event of KidsChaupal at Bengaluru, Karnataka

every child with expert mentorship and a global platform to showcase your talents and knowledge.

KidsChaupal is here to make learning a fun and memorable experience for each one of you.

Our Scholarship program for children is the most sought after and we believe in giving every child an opportunity to enrol for it. At KidsChaupal, we know that the times are challenging for our children and our '**Scholarship Program of 10 Lakhs**' is applicable to students all around the country in different categories.

Visit our website www.kidschaupal.com for more details about this program.

The Face of KidsChaupal:



Meet the Brand Ambassador of KidsChaupal – 14 years old Tisya Singh.

Tisya is a student of DPS, Bangalore (East) and is a multi-talented girl who has won many International Certifications that led her to be our choice for becoming the face of KidsChaupal. With her determination, hard work, time-management and attitude towards achieving her goals, Tisya has proved herself outstanding in all fields. Her role model is her father. She wants to make him proud and strives to be like him, someday.

She is a Black Belt in Kung Fu. Representing the state of Karnataka in the 7th India National Kuo Shu (Kung Fu) Championship 2018, Tisya had won a Gold, a Silver, and a Bronze Medal. She has been dancing with Shiamak Davar since

TISYA SINGH



Program for multiple styles (Ballet, Contemporary, Hip Hop, Salsa, Jazz, Shiamak style & Gymnastics). She had scored in the top 10% in "ASEET Talent Search 2018" competing against 4 lakh students across the country. She had won Gold Medal in National Cyber Olympiad conducted by Science Olympiad foundation. She was also the Brand Ambassador for "U.S POLO (USPA) Junior" and had walked the Ramp for U.S POLO 'Fashion Week- Spring Summer Bengaluru 2019'. As a social warrior, she had worked with IGP Karnataka & many DCP's and ACP's across Bangalore to feed the daily wagers.



A very warm welcome to the World of KidsChaupal!



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Introducing you to the world of opportunities and learning without eliminating the fun quotient.

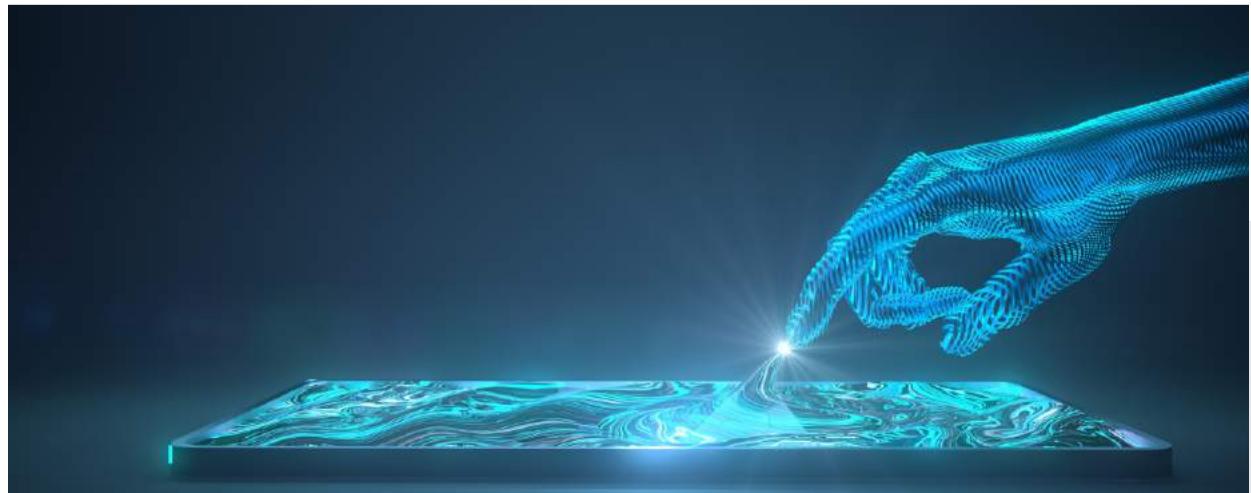
KidsChaupal is a live platform or a destination including the interaction of students, teachers, and parents. It acts as a promising opportunity for the future of our present generation.

Nowadays, making every youngster productive and talented should be our dominant priority. Most of the children are left on the sides just because of a prevailing myth in our society that talent can only be god gifted. KidsChaupal offers a set of various opportunities for our present generation proving this myth redundant. Children can attend numerous workshops that include Photography, Film making, Artist Bandwagon, Yoga, Sketching and Face Proportions, Book Writing, etc. They also conduct various live sessions for killer visualization and a proper understanding of the students. They also

help many children by offering scholarships so that they can pursue their studies in a more efficient way.

For the reading minds and developing children, KidsChaupal has started this newspaper. It puts forward a lot of different and interesting topics like an experience of a child with learning and solving a Rubik's cube within seconds, a heartwarming fan note for M.S. Dhoni, a write-up on the Pandemic affecting Sports, a story about bonding with animals, an eye opening write-up on Coding, a poem on accepting the year 2020, a lovely poem in Hindi about Mothers, an informative write-up on India's first Hypersonic Missile and much more for our bright readers. Reading these articles, you will be able to enter a new world of imagination. Today's young generation is doing such good work in writing but their work is limited to their schools and teachers.

It is KidsChaupal that is bringing out the hidden talents of our kids by giving them opportunities. Being an editor of this newspaper, I also found it quite fascinating to read different types of articles and I suggest you take out just a fraction of minutes from your busy schedule and discover our world-a world of young minds with diversity, freshness and imagination!



Acceptance of 2020

*"On the day of carnival,
Thousands and thousands gathered
To again take their favorite rides
And perhaps, try out the newbies*

*The carnival was no other
But, the carnival of years
We all partied, prayed, pledged
And then for a jaunt on jumped.*

*A little girl was brave enough
To take up the coaster that was no bluff
Awed by her bravery
She was allowed to hop on for free.*

*We could, all hear her scream
But unfortunate, there couldn't be a halt
So, her voice started to faint
Her image also, disintegrate.*

*Yet we all could articulate
The words of her soft heart yelled
Round and round as she went
All the souls were heaved with regret..*

*"Dear twenty- twenty,
As we hoped of happiness, fortune and
prosperity,
You started the day with just another calamity,
From saving ourselves from the blink of a World
War III
-to people getting shattered to find a refugee
How do I define thee?"*

*Death, remorse and then salvation
She saw all with patience
And now, was aware
Of the fare of fair."*



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Try this Out!

**The "Sixth Sick
Sheik's Sixth
Sheep's Sick"** is
said to be the
toughest tongue
twister in the
English language.



YOUNG XPERT

KidsChaupal was founded with a simple mission: To search for children who yearn to achieve much more and enhance their learning capabilities. What follows are a selected number of case studies which reflect the stories of few such children who went on to surpass traditional norms, and achieved a lot more than expected.

Showcase


 Kaamya
Karthikeyan

 Devansh
Dhanagar

 Dimple
Kanwar

 Vriti
Gujral

 Aarush Bhagyesh
Kalburgi

 Ayat
Shaikh

 Ridhima
Pandey

 Angelica
Piplani

 Aleef Rahman
Mollah

 Shubham
Jaglan


Yashwanth S


 Ananya V.
Ganesh

 Soborno Isaac
Bari

 Kyra
Kanojia

 Janhavi
Panwar

 Advait
Kolarkar

 Nainika
Gupta

 Arshdeep
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Hasti

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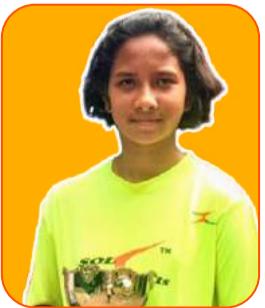
 Ridhi
Mishra

 Siddharth
Srivastav Pilli

 Sairi
Rahangdale

 Hridayeshwar
Singh Bhati

 Mrigendra Raj
Pandey

 Ayushman Agrawal
Hingorani

 Soha
Singh

 Suhani
Yadav

Coding and today's generation



Coding encourages logical thinking, fast thought process and problem solving skills. These are known as coding skills. If you didn't have that mindset before learning coding you have it now. Coding can casually or professionally improve one's life.

Sanjana Kumar

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Coding was created in the 1940s by Ada Lovelace. It had always been the subject which turned tides when it came to working with tech giants. Now it has become a craze for children and parents in 2020, especially during the pandemic. With the new generation turning to virtual classes for education, coding has been brought to light. This brings forth many questions: What is it about? How is it important now? How will it shape our future? And more importantly, why coding?

So, what is coding?

Coding is just another name for computer programming. It is all around us. Whatever digitally done by the end user using any gadgets, needs coding. Whether it is watching YouTube videos, uploading and downloading files or posting comments or using all the electronics around us, coding is used. It is the atom of the digital world. It is the language of the computer.

Why is it important?

With our entry into technology, the fast-paced World demands computer knowledge. Coding is the best way to start. It enhances problem-solving skills, critical thinking, creativity and increases job opportunities. Due to the recent ban of several apps, and the vision of Atma Nirbhar Bharat crowding all minds, coding has also been taken up to attain technological freedom.

How does it impact young minds?

Coding is a language and languages are best learnt in childhood. You get the computer to behave as per your will. You get to create apps, softwares and electronics with coding skills.

Coding skills, what's that?

Coding encourages logical thinking, fast thought process and problem solving skills. These are known as coding skills. If you didn't have that mindset before learning coding you have it now. Coding can casually or professionally improve one's life. This can prepare young minds to successfully face competitive exams, logically solve obstacles in life and help us respond better during any crisis. Hence the craze!

In this lockdown time, learning coding has become popular. We live in eventful times with developments taking place hour-by-hour. The youth decide the wellbeing of the country and skills like coding equip the youth to contribute



even more to the country. With the dynamics of economy and technology of the world drastically changing, it is even more important.

Any Don'ts for coding?

Like everything else, coding too has some not-so-positive points. If you are going to try coding only because it's the trend or that others are doing it too,



here's my advice: Don't. Following trends doesn't always end in success so, do it only because you want to.

Computer systems are complex, so unless you have the patience of an elephant, and the knowledge that it will take years to actually become a professional, don't do it. The frustration will be terrible for your mental health.

Coding requires a lot of practice, so sitting in front of the laptop for long hours will do your eyes no justice.

One more argument that is circulating is that one doesn't need to take up coding to become logical, have fast thought processes and problem solving skills etc. Such things should and will come naturally.

Learning coding can easily develop into learning hacking if you consult the wrong website or person. So we need to consult trusted courses for coding with an approved syllabus.

Speaking of coding bootcamps, to understand the craze of coding and to see if it actually is as beneficial as they claimed, I enrolled myself for a free class with a particular online institution.

My Experience

When I contacted the online institution, I had to choose between Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Virtual Development. (Video gaming and app development). I chose AI. There was a confusion regarding the login and we wasted precious time on it but it was eventually solved. The teacher's connection was weak but it was sufficient for the class to go well. He explained the basics of coding, and introduced me to Javascript, the base language of coding. I was also introduced to an app called The AI Playground (Pre programmed) which is convenient for practicing coding. He also taught me how to create an emotion sensing bot. If you type a word or speak, it will be able to detect your mood. It has three categories - happy, neutral and sad. Any word you type or speak will be classified in the above emotions. The steps to create such a bot can be learnt from the institution's predefined coding library. It is difficult to say whether my coding skills got developed, or that I began to see my situations in different light with just one class. But I cannot deny that it was interesting and informative.

To Conclude

Coding too has its pros and cons. It depends on the person. While it is popular today, because of its immense use in the new world, doesn't mean it is the life saver subject. So, the bottom line is, coding is a good skill to have some knowledge about.

"Whether you want to uncover the secrets of the universe, or you just want to pursue a career in the 21st century, basic computer programming is an essential skill to learn."

- Stephen Hawking

SPORTS - The Cloud of Uncertainty

Every teenager who plays sports envies the sportspersons that he or she sees on TV. Getting paid exorbitant amounts for playing the sport you love sounds utopian. Right? The career of a sportsperson comes with immense benefits but a black cloud always chases them—the cloud of uncertainty.

Sports, just like any other profession, is extremely competitive and precarious too in some cases. There is a constant surplus of new talented players to replace old ones. Players are vulnerable to injuries that can put them out of action for even a whole year at a stretch. Aging players are unable to maintain the fitness to play at a top level.

The coronavirus pandemic has successfully disrupted every aspect of human life. Most sports in general involve contact of players and therefore, to curb the spread of the disease, sports calendars were pushed by 3-4 months. The Olympics have been postponed from 2020 to 2021. The virus has not only amplified some existing problems in sports but has posed a whole new variety of them.

Many aging stars were looking to bring an end to their respective careers in the 2020 Japan Olympics but now, with the Olympics slated for 2021, many players have been forced into an early retirement without the sendoff they deserved. A prominent example is the career of MS Dhoni, arguably India's greatest cricketing icon. After 2019's Cricket World Cup, he was targeting to end his International career at 2020 T20 World Cup. The 2020 T20 World Cup was postponed to 2021 and within 2 months Dhoni announced his retirement from International cricket at the age of 39. Although there is no confirmed link between the two, one could deduce that Dhoni would not be able to maintain his fitness to play on the World Cup stage at 40!

The pandemic calls for huge amounts of psychological strength from players like never before. It is tough enough to execute your craft under the pressure of the game. The virus has forced players in the NBA (National Basketball Association) to isolate themselves from their families for almost 2 months in a bio-bubble to prevent exposure to the virus. Players generally draw off the excitement and energy of fans in the stadium to fuel their games but due to COVID-19, every sport is played in empty stadiums without any spectators which adds to the feeling of desolation.

It is safe to say that sports players have been forced to adapt to truly unforeseen circumstances. It will take a Herculean effort from every single stakeholder to successfully conduct sports tournaments in these times. The cloud of uncertainty chases every single individual affected by the pandemic and even though it is tough to see any light at the end of the tunnel, we have no choice but to simply keep going and accept the conditions.



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MS DHONI: END OF AN ERA



MS DHONI, the name says it all for me!

I was a little shocked on hearing the decision made by our former skipper. The type of person which M.S was in the same way he announced his retirement from International Cricket, i.e, in a very unique way or should I say in the 'Dhoni's way'. Being his great fan, I always looked at him since my

childhood whether it's his calmness; both on and off the field or his Leadership by which he made our Indian Cricket

Team win the World Cup almost after 28 Years. I wanted M.S to have a big send off from the field. He had a perfect mindset to play the T20 World Cup. As we all know that the schedule of the World Cup got delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we got to see even less of M.S in action. Maybe we could have still seen him play for our country if the situation was right as the next World Cup is a bit far away and he has already made his decision.

But, as a cricket fan I would have liked him to keep playing for a few more years. Probably as an experienced player, he could have helped the youngsters learn a lot from him. He increased India's reputation in the whole world after the team won the cup under his captaincy.

Throwing a light on Dhoni's abilities, the place where Rohit Sharma is today, I feel M.S Dhoni should be congratulated for being behind Sharma's success. He helped Sharma to blossom in the field of Cricket when he was languishing in the middle order with consistency being his main reason. But Dhoni seemingly took a note of his hidden talent and gave him a long rope. Same is the case with Virat Kohli too.

As a batsman, M.S. also transformed himself into one of the best finishers in the World, playing 350 ODI matches, scoring 10,773 runs & affecting 444 dismissals. Well, I would say that he has got lightning behind the stumps.

It's like the 'End of an Era'- his contribution to Indian Cricket team has been fabulous.

I can never forget Dhoni's 2011 World Cup victory by hitting that six in the final- that is the plethora of emotions for me.

Thank you Mahi for being a fantastic role model !



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माँ



एक दिन मैं सो रहा था,
अचानक रवप्न में हड़बड़ाया।
अपने सामने यमदूत को प्रश्न करते पाया।
उसने कहा चल छोड़ माँ को, मैं उसे लेने आया हूँ।
इस शब्द को सुनकर मैं पत्थर बना,
कोई रात्ता नहीं रहा था सू-हजरा,
जैसे हो कोई कुहरा घना।
फिर कुछ देर बाद हिम्मत की बोला,
भारी पड़ रहे माँ के प्यार को तराजू में तोला।
मैंने कहा हे यमदूत तो मायाजाल में लिस्त इंसान हूँ,
तुम्हारे समक्ष तो नादान हूँ।
करना चाहता हूँ एक सौदा,
माँ को छोड़ दो मैं तुम्हारे साथ चलने को तैयार हूँ,
माँ के खातिर सौ बार मरने को तैयार हूँ।
इसे सुनते ही यमदूत जोर से हँसा और बोला,
बच्चे जब तुम्हें होता था बुखार, तो माँ उसे अपने सीने से
लिपटा कर उतारती थी,
तुम्हारी एक ख्वाहिश पूरी करने के लिए वह अपने को
रोज सौ बार मारती थी।
तुम्हार एक चीख से वह खाना छोड़ देती थी,
जब तुम होते उदास तो वह कहीं आना-जाना छोड़ देती थी।
तुम्हारी मालिश करके उसमें जान आ जाती थी,
जब तुम देते मुर्झुका तो वह जैसे बहुत बड़ा सम्मान पा जाती थी।
यमदूत फिर हँसा और बोला,
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लेकिन मैं यह देखकर बहुत खुश हूँ कि तू माँ के खातिर
अपने को मार गया।
ऐ, भोले, कोई यमदूत किसी भी बच्चे को कभी नहीं ले
जा सकता,

जब तक उसके सर पर है माँ के आँचल का साया,
पगले माँ ने तो यह सौदा पहले ही कर लिया था,

क्योंकि यहाँ माँ को नहीं तुमको लेने था आया।
क्योंकि यहाँ माँ को नहीं तुमको लेने था आया।

THE GREAT COMPANION

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Five years ago, I saw a stray dog on our society premises. That stray dog caught my friend Emmanuel's (or Emu) attention. Emu introduced me to him and he caught my attention too and we all became friends. We named the dog 'Lallu'. He looked cute, but he had a tragic past. Lallu lived with his mother Kalli and two brothers, Kallu and Kalua. Emu named them so because they were black in colour. Lallu's two brothers were separated from him. We heard some dog-catchers from the municipal corporation had taken them away in a government vehicle.

After that incident, Kallu and Kalua no longer come together in our society. But we never let Lallu feel lonely. When Emu goes out with his parents, he always buys bread and biscuits for Lallu. I too feed him chicken pieces and some milk whenever I get a chance to meet him. Every evening, when we were playing out, we always found him in the parking area sleeping under some cars. Most of the time we couldn't find him. But whenever we did, we played with him.

Once we saw him playing and running around with another dog. I named the other dog Lalla. After that, we often found them together. But our real friendship was with Lallu only. Lallu was always overjoyed to see us. We also had a great time with him. And suddenly, lockdown started. We didn't go down for almost two months. We couldn't meet each other during that period. Though I could talk to Emu over the intercom and see Lallu from my window. I missed them a lot. I remembered those happy moments with him.

When lockdown was relaxed a bit in our society, we were allowed to go down and play for some time. When Emu and I met each other, we remembered Lallu and started looking for him. We found him outside A-wing lobby in our society. He was wearing a green-coloured belt on his neck. We thought that someone was taking care of him. He didn't even notice us.

Yesterday, when Emu and I were playing outside, Lallu was running with other friends. Again, he didn't recognize us. Emu was a little unhappy to notice this ignoring behaviour from Lallu. To divert Emu's attention I asked him if he liked my mask and he replied that he did. That was the time, I realized that we were wearing masks so maybe we were unrecognizable to Lallu. But we were not allowed to remove our masks and show him our faces. Then the unthinkable happened. Suddenly we noticed Lallu looking at our shoes. I was wearing red crocs and Emu was wearing grey slippers. These were the same shoes that we used to wear outside. Lallu immediately recognized us and he happily wagged his tail and came rushing towards us. He brushed his whole body against our legs. He was overjoyed to see us and so were we. Come to think of it, he never forgot us. We felt extremely blessed to find our old companion again.

SNIFF SNIFF!

Dogs have wet noses because
they secrete a thin layer of
mucus, which actually helps
dogs smell!



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INDIA'S FIRST HYPERSONIC MISSILE



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As per 2015 Credit Suisse report, the Indian Armed Forces are the world's fifth-most powerful military forces whereas in the year 2020, Global Firepower report lists them on the fourth rank. With an improvement in ground based Air Defence Systems, a need was felt to develop a missile capable of beating this.

To this effect, in the month of September, India took the first step towards developing a new class of ultra-modern weapon that can travel six times faster than the speed of sound (i.e. Mach 6) and penetrate any missile defence. (One Mach is equal to the speed of sound)

On 7th September 2020 (Monday) at 11:03, the Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) carried out a successful flight test of the Hypersonic Technology Demonstrator Vehicle (HSTDV), for the first time, from a launch facility at Wheeler Island, off the Odisha coast.

The successful development of technology, and the scramjet engine, operated efficiently at hypersonic speed and allowed supersonic combustion. Quoting defence minister,

Rajnath Singh " DRDO has successfully demonstrated the hypersonic air-breathing scramjet technology with the flight test of HSTDV."

With this, after the United States, China and Russia, India becomes the fourth country in the world to develop hypersonic technology.

A hypersonic nuclear missile is usually faster than 3,800 miles per hour or 6,115 km per hour. That means it is faster than any other ballistic and cruise missile. In addition, these hypersonic missiles can also deliver conventional and nuclear payloads. This marks a technological breakthrough for the country. The successful mission will enable us to develop many better technologies and will be a building block for the next generation of hypersonic vehicle development.

The significance behind the test firing of HSTDV for India is vast, as this does not help only in development of long-range cruise missiles but also with the launch of small satellites at low cost.



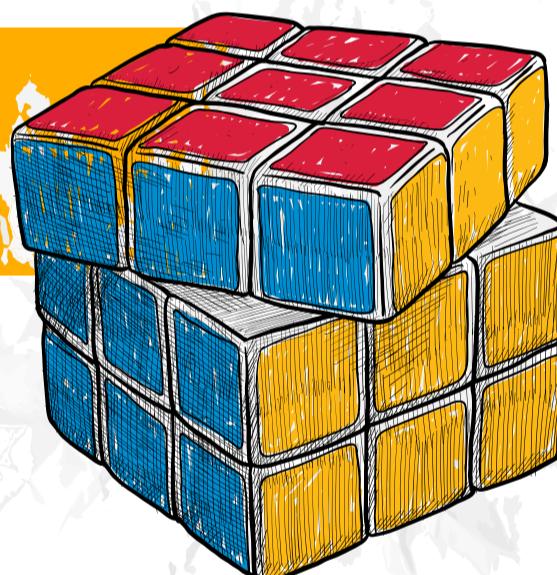
HARD WORK PAYS OFF !

Rubik's cube! Yes, a puzzle which is quite difficult to solve for many of us. The story was the same with me too but had a quirky ending.

It all started on 10th October, 2019 when I received a Rubik's cube as a return gift from a birthday party. After my father saw it, he challenged me to solve it and also added that if I succeed I will be gifted an iPhone X! My joy doubled and I accepted the challenge in greed for the iPhone X.

The very next day, I first contacted some of my friends who knew how to solve the cube. Everyday I spent time with them to learn the actual method but sadly it had no positive results. I could not learn it from them. So, one day I tried it myself and saw a YouTube video of it and started off. I stuck to that video and learned algorithms and everything required.

A week later, October 24th, I really was able to solve my first Rubik's cube in 21 minutes! And then there was no stopping me! I started practicing and I went to 5 minutes, then 3 minutes, then a minute! So, I asked my father "where is my iPhone?" and he replied "if you can solve it in under a minute I will buy it." I found it



impossible as when my friends can't do it, how can I???

One day, I participated in a talent show in which I was asked to solve it within less than a minute but I couldn't. So, I went home that day and learnt the advanced method (Fridrich method) known as CFOP (Cross, F2l-First Two Layers, Orientation and Permutation of the Last Layer) and now, 6 months later I can solve a Rubik's Cube within less than 10 seconds! I even participated in an online contest in which I held the first position with a solve of 5.31 seconds. My aim now, is to work hard to improve my timing further and become the best Rubik cube solver in the country.



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AH-CHOO! SNEEZING FACTS AND CAUSES

Sneezing is something we all do from time to time! But do you pause to think about what's happening in your body when you sneeze? A sneeze begins when nerve endings in the lining of your nose are "tickled" by invaders, which range from common allergens¹ to triggers you won't believe.

FACTS ABOUT SNEEZING:

1. Once a sneeze starts, you can't stop it.
2. The force of a sneeze can change the rhythm of your heartbeat. But don't worry! Contrary to myth, your heart does NOT stop when you sneeze.
3. Sneezing is a full-body workout that includes the throat, chest, diaphragm, and abdomen.
4. A single sneeze can travel up to 100 MPH.
5. You don't sneeze when you're asleep because the nerves that trigger sneezing are also sleeping.



COPING WITH THE NEW NORMAL

A report on the metamorphosis of education as we know it.

All of us are no strangers to surviving a pandemic, probably the first generation on earth who can say that without thinking twice about the subject. Corona has 'touched' innumerable lives, be it the grim reaper's touch in this case, affecting the entirety of the globe as we know it. Specific sectors and aspects of life particularly took a massive hit. Here, I would like to analyse the education factor a bit more.

In order to do this, I interviewed Miss Tasnim Quraishi of Nahar International School to understand the general perspective of schools. Miss Tasnim says, "The COVID-19 pandemic affected the world quite suddenly and spread rapidly across Geographies. Along with all other industries and organizations schools also had to take proactive decisions to ensure the safety of their students as well as teachers."

As mentioned before, this is completely new to each and every one of us and all of us have tried our best to adapt and thrive even in these conditions. As expected, the education has 'evolved' in its own right into what we now know as the 'online-learning' system. At Nahar International, I ventured to inquire about this and Tasnim ma'am shared her thoughts, "NIS also took the decision and within a short span of time during the spring break put up systems to move on to online learning.

The journey was arduous however what's life if it doesn't throw up a few challenges. As teachers we were never prepared to teach virtually so the first challenge was to break the mind-set that this too can be done and that too effectively. All physical classrooms were turned into Google classrooms and entering a class shifted to joining a link."

I think any sane student would agree that 'actually' being in school is far superior to the current methods, even though such an approach might encourage 'self-studies' more general inquiry, which inevitably transform into a flurry of doubts that remain unanswered. To combat this problem, multiple revised pedagogies are being implemented. Particularly at Nahar, quoting the exam officer, "From hands on manipulatives to online tools, from exploring our senses during practical's and demos to virtual labs the shift in pedagogy has been intense.

Small group discussions in a class have now become breakout sessions on Google meet, assessments in an exam condition have now been replaced with online monitoring through the camera lens. Lesson planning has undergone a monumental change. We have always catered to the needs of the visual, kinaesthetic as well as the auditory learners when we plan a lesson. In online learning the biggest challenge is to



modify the lesson so that the kinaesthetic learner is engaged and able to assimilate the concept being taught."

The health concerns are a major factor that needs to be accounted for, for example the multiple students who struggle with eyesight problems are having a very hard time accomplishing anything. Authorities at my school agree, "Excessive screen time was a constant concern so we had to come up with strategies to ensure that students get a break in between classes. And since holistic development includes physical development as well as emotional well-being of the students, we had to design strategies to ensure it during online teaching as well."

Even with slight faults and discrepancies here and there, this is all we have and as cliché as it may sound, we NEED to make the most of it. At Nahar we have had multiple ways of coping with these times. Miss Tasnim shares, "Life skills, CAS, Sports, Art have been allotted time in the online schedule. In our opinion NIS took up intensive measures to look into the mental and emotional well-being of our students as well as teachers during the pandemic. Our SWD team has created a series of activities which were mailed to the students every day to keep them emotionally balanced. We have also been engaged in Mental Health month during which we have been planning and conducting sessions with psychologists and physiotherapists. Our Online Independence day celebration was a unique way of saying patriotism cannot be reined in due to a virus."



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KNOW WAR STATUES

| If a statue of a person in the park on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle.

| If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died as a result of wounds received in battle.

| If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.



A Fruit with its seeds on the Outside?

There's nothing like spotting the first sweet ripe strawberries of the season at the market. Did you know that strawberries are the only fruit that wears their seeds on the outside? The average berry is adorned with some 200 of them. No wonder it only takes one bite to get those seeds stuck in your teeth.

Strawberries aren't true berries, like blueberries or even



FACT
STRAWBERRIES ARE MEMBERS OF THE ROSE FAMILY. SHOULD YOU COME UPON A BUSH OF THEM GROWING YOU'LL SEE THEY SMELL AS SWEET AS THEY TASTE.

grapes. Technically, a berry has its seeds on the inside. And, to be very technical, each seed on a strawberry is considered by botanists to be its own separate fruit. Whoa, inception of fruits!

The strawberry plant is a perennial. This means if you plant one now, it will come back next year and the following and the year after that. It may not bear fruit immediately, but once it does, it will remain productive for about five years.

The Creepy Sea Creatures- Sharks!

Think about Sharks and the image of a gigantic fish with sharp set of teeth, coming right at you pops up in our mind, isn't it? Well, our oceans have around 350 different species of sharks, out of which only about 30 of these species have ever attacked humans. Sharks are the oldest animals on Earth that have been around nearly 400 millions, and are almost 200 million years older than Dinosaurs! Since then these gigantic creatures have been the Kings of the Oceans and have kept



FUN FACT

DID YOU KNOW THAT SHARKS HAVE THE SAME FIVE SENSES THAT HUMANS HAVE AND ALSO THREE EXTRA SENSES. THE LATERAL LINE OF PRESSURE UNDER THEIR SKIN WHICH HELPS THEM SENSE VIBRATIONS. THE LORENZINI TO SENSE ELECTRICAL CHARGES AND PIT ORGANS MOST LIKELY USED TO REGISTER MECHANICAL STIMULI LIKE WATER CURRENTS.

swimming as they never sleep or stop swimming because unlike other fishes, sharks do not have air balloons in them, which can make them sink! Sharks have 'ampullae of Lorenzini' which are tiny pores on their head, that allows them to sense the extremely faint electrical charges given off by other living creatures. This does make their task of hunting a lot easier.

How did Earth get its Name?

Our solar system has eight planets and all of them except for Earth were named after Greek and Roman Gods and Goddesses. Mercury got the name after the Roman god of travel while Venus was named after the Roman goddess

of love and beauty. Mars was the Roman god of War, Jupiter was the king of the Roman gods, and Saturn was the Roman god of agriculture. Uranus was named after an ancient Greek king of the Gods. Neptune was the Roman god of the Sea. Pluto, which is now classified as a dwarf planet, was the Roman god of the underworld. The name Earth is derived from the eighth century Anglo-Saxon word erda, which means ground or soil. It became eorthe later, and then erthe.



How a Dog Sniffs?

Imagine a person walking down the road with a dog. What would the person notice? Other people's faces and conversations; signs on the windows of the shop; traffic lights? What would be the things that the dog notices? The smell of a tree trunk; each and every leaf in the pile next to it; the pebbles under the leaves, and also the dirt!

Everybody knows that dogs have an excellent sense of smell. It is thousands of times more sensitive than that of a human. They possess up to three hundred million olfactory receptors in their noses, compared to about six million in us. Proportionally speaking, the part of a dog's brain that is devoted to analyzing smells is 40 times greater than ours. Human noses aren't built to take in much from this pungent world. We inhale deeply when we're trying our hardest to

smell something. But as soon as we exhale, we lose the scent. The airflow patterns of the dog nose are strikingly different: They have one air passage for breathing and another for smelling. If you've ever watched (or felt) a dog sniff, you probably noticed that they do a lot of snorting. They expel puffs of air that seem to be distinct from typical respiration. It turns out that these puffs create a powerful air current. These air currents actually help capture new scents below them and push them back into the nostrils.

So yes, dogs have a powerful sense of smell.

? Put the pieces together

- ☛ Name the second oldest animal on earth.
- ☛ The dwarf planet of our solar system was named after which Roman God?
- ☛ How is the airflow pattern of a human different than that of a dog?

The answers to these questions are hidden in this page somewhere. So, put your glasses on and mail us the correct answer to these questions at info@kidschaupal.com and stand a chance to win gift hampers from KidsChaupal. The winners will be announced in the next edition of our newspaper.

People back then didn't consider Earth as a planet. Planets were these distant stars in the sky- home to Gods, from where they would likely look to a human. For them Earth was more of a project of God. The elements that made up their existence were water, air, fire and earth. Our earth came from this. It's simply "ground" and what's not the ground is referred to as the sea.

Later, of course, it was theorized that we were standing on a planet too. By the time this theory was confirmed we had already kept the Roman names for the planets and since then we have called our planet "Earth".

FACT

OF ALL THE PLANETS IN OUR SOLAR SYSTEM THE EARTH IS THE MOST DENSE WITH A DENSITY OF ROUGHLY 5.52 GRAMS PER CUBIC CENTIMETER. THE SECOND DENSEST PLANET IN OUR SOLAR SYSTEM IS MERCURY WITH A DENSITY OF 5.427 GRAMS PER CUBIC CENTIMETER.

Write your own Story

Following are the three writing prompts for you guys. So, wear your thinking caps and let your creative thoughts flow!

- Imagine that dogs take over the world. What do they make the humans do?
- You are walking through the forest when one of the trees starts talking to you. What does it say? What do you do?
- Imagine you get a magic sweater for your birthday. What happens when you wear the sweater? What do you do with these new found magical powers?



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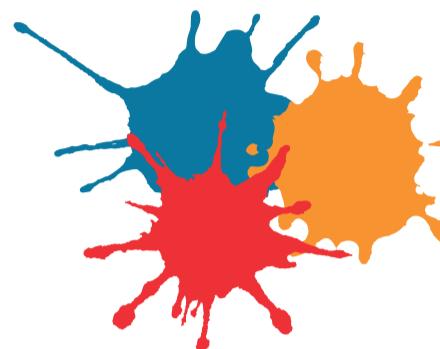
Nainika Gupta

A rising star from Delhi, who first handed the camera when she was just 18 months old. She is the youngest photographer, India Book of Records Holder. A huge inspiration for young kids, Nainika has already been awarded a lot of awards for her photography skills.



COLOR SPLASH

Go crazy with colours!
Print this page and use your pencil colours/paint brushes/micron pens and fill this up!



Creative Corner

Kindly submit your entries of Colour Splash & Write your Own Story, in our Creative Corner and stand a chance to win amazing goodies! If you love writing poems or weaving stories through words or have an interest in painting or photography - we call upon submissions from all of you marvellous kids. Open our website <https://www.kidschaupal.com/> and submit your entries in the 'Creative Corner' to get a chance to be featured in the next edition of our newspaper.

Presenting a 'Game of Thrones Iron Throne' that will work as a Stand for your Phone. Despite it's surprising level of detail this is relatively easy to make.

Materials Required

- Foam Core
- Polymer Clay or just Normal Modelling Clay
- Miniature Swords
- Black Spray Paint
- Exacto Knife
- A large round Coaster
- A thin Clothing Material

Procedure

- Cut out the throne into the correct shape. It will have square edges at this stage.
- Round off the shape of the throne with a knife.
- Glue it to the centre of the coaster.
- Affix some of the clothing material around the edge of the coaster so it's slightly raised.
- Cut strips of material out with pointed ends.
- Lay them into the seat draping over the front and sides.
- Vary the length of each and stick with glue both to the chair and the coaster so every part is held in place.
- Cut off two cocktail stick handles and attach to the front corners of the throne.
- Stick more cocktail sticks into the throne back and stick more to the inside back.
- Finish by spraying the stand black.



SUDOKU

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HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU

The objective is to fill a 9x9 grid so that each column, each row, and each of the nine 3x3 boxes (also called blocks or regions) contains the digits from 1 to 9. A cell is the smallest block in the game. A row, column and region consists of 9 cells and the whole game consists of 81 cells.

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4	7	9	3	4	8	1	5	6
7	9	3	4	9	2	7	4	3
6	1	5	9	6	3	2	8	5
2	4	8	3	5	6	1	7	9

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE



1. Colour of the Saturn's inside ring. 2. Colour of the Carter behind Astronaut. 3. Star behind the flag. 4. Fire of the meteor. 5. Receiver of the Rover. 6. The orange circle beside the Spacebot

Ashish Srivastava is one of the founders of KidsChaupal. He is a very inspiring entrepreneur who has sound knowledge in software development and financial modeling. Photography and science fiction are few of his addictions. We bring you a few fun question-answers with this tech expert. Let's get to know him a little better!

If there was a zombie apocalypse, what would you do?

Ashish: Will try to use my experience of watching so many zombie movies

If you were a character in Harry Potter/ Game of Thrones/ Superhero which character would you choose to be?

Ashish: I especially like Iron Man - he is genius, rich, witty, spontaneous, not having any superpower but still superhero just like Batman. Batman lacks humor though.

If you had to choose, would you rather be rich or extremely knowledgeable?

Ashish: Extremely Knowledgeable that can earn you not just money but also respect.

What is your number one priority in life?

Ashish: Family and their needs

What has been your biggest achievement in life?

Ashish: I believe I have been fortunate to change so many lives since my start of the entrepreneur journey. When someone says that he/she achieved a lot because I gave them the opportunity, I feel like that is the biggest achievement.

What is the best way to handle tough feedback?

Ashish: Take it as an opportunity to improve. It's hard to get genuine feedback. So whenever you get it, consider yourself lucky.

If you joined a circus, what would your circus act be?

Ashish: Juggler.

Who is your favorite storybook character?

Ashish: Harry Potter. As a kid, I was a more comic guy and I was a fan of Asterix and Tintin.

If you won the lottery, what would you do with the money?

Ashish: Mostly traveling around the world. That's the most sensible thing money can buy.

Who was that one teacher you remember in school and why?

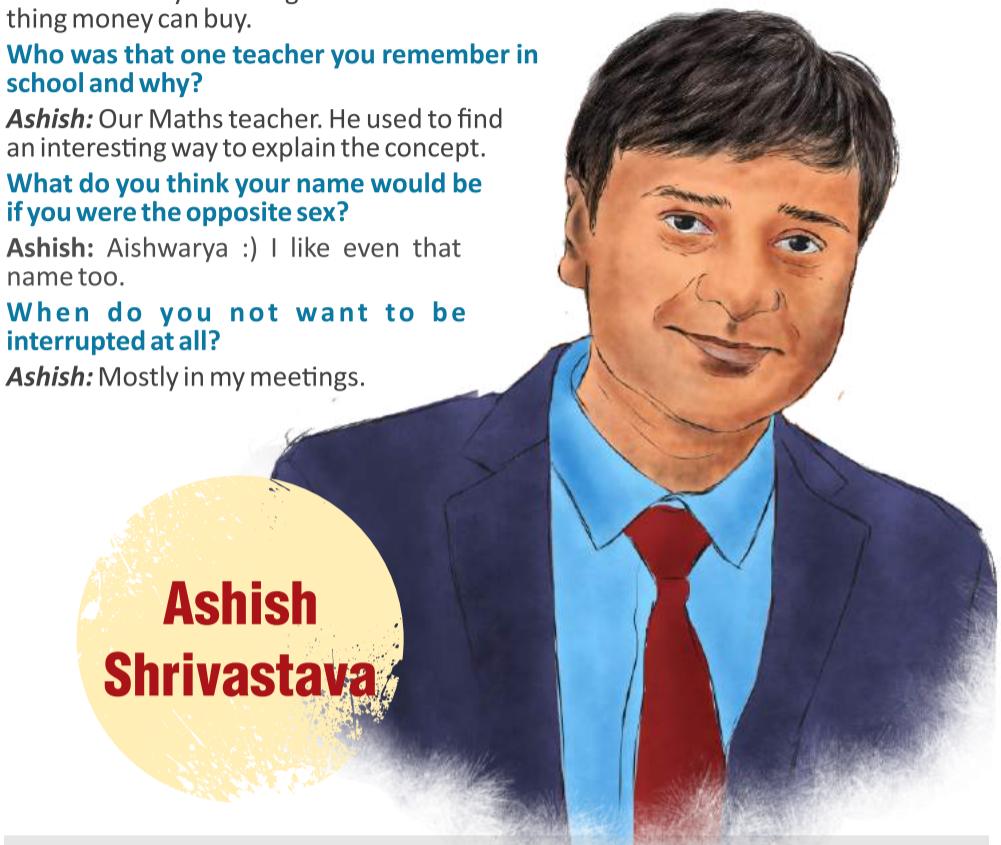
Ashish: Our Maths teacher. He used to find an interesting way to explain the concept.

What do you think your name would be if you were the opposite sex?

Ashish: Aishwarya :) I like even that name too.

When do you not want to be interrupted at all?

Ashish: Mostly in my meetings.



**Ashish
Shrivastava**

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