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With Warm Wishes and God's Blessings,

Message from the Headmistress

YOU ARE ONE OF A KIND

God created you with care, making sure that you would always be one of a kind, always unique in this world.

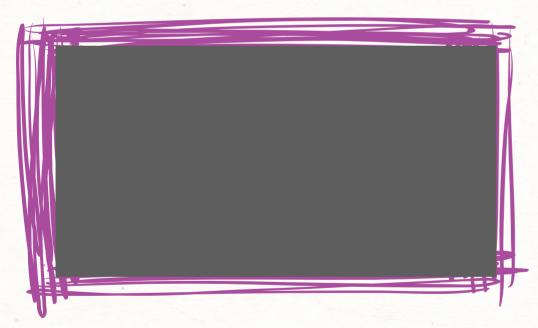
You are important to God. At every moment of your life, you are in the mind of God. God cannot forget about you, for He can never forget what He has made. Again, the message comes clearly: you are important to God.

If we believe all of this to be true, why do we so often undervalue ourselves? Has the meaning of God's love for us really reached our hearts?

When we fully understand the message, our past failures no longer matter so much. In spite of our weaknesses and lack of love, we always remain important to God.

I wish that St. Karen's Montessori School will grow as one of the greatest centres of excellence and shape the future of our young children so that they bring laurels not only to the school but to the country as well.

L.B.Galstaun



Dear Reader

Greetings and welcome to our latest edition of 'Footprints'. The publication of our magazine in this new Yearbook layout is a major milestone in the progress and development of the school. We are really proud and exuberant to acclaim that we are ready with all new hopes and hues to bring out this latest issue of 'Footprints' which is going to surely unfold the unraveled world of the most unforgettable and precious moments of the session 2018-19.

Thus we invite you to read and immerse yourself in the unfolding art and be exulted !

Happy Reading !!!

Nandini Sen

(on behalf of the Editorial Team)



Oath Taking Ceremony



MY AIMS AS THE SCHOOL CAPTAIN

As the school captain the first and foremost aim before me was to uphold and obey all the rules and become the role model for my juniors which I think I have successfully done. My second aim was to make my juniors disciplined and to help them in all kinds of school activities. I tried my level best to maintain discipline in the school premises as well as helped my juniors and teachers whenever they needed me. I also learnt many things.

Arnav Prabhakar (3 'C')



ST KAREN'S MONTES

The Student Council Taking The Oath

OATH TAKING CEREM

MY RESPONSIBILITIES AS THE VICE SCHOOL CAPTAIN

This year I was honoured to get the golden opportunity to become the School Vice Captain. It had also brought many responsibilities along with it. I put my whole heart to fulfil all my responsibilities through which I also learnt many things. I was very friendly towards all my juniors so they interacted with me freely and I could easily help them. I think I have done my job well.

Anushka Narayan (3 'D')

The Student Council ready to take on their responsibilities with the blessings of Headmistress and Assistant Headmistress Ma'am.

The investiture ceremony of the newly elected Student Council of Std. III took place in April 2018. The deserving young talents of St. Karen's Montessori School were bestowed with the responsibility of leading the school from the front after being chosen via a carefully conducted and systematic process of election.

The captains and the prefects took the oath of office with a promise that they would carry out their duties with integrity, faith and excellence.

The ceremonial administering of the oath was done by the Assistant Headmistress and the pinning of the badges was done by the Headmistress. School Captain - Arnav Prabhakar - 3 'C' School Vice-Captain - Anushka Narayan - 3 'D'

House	Captain	Vice Captain
Red	Priyawrat 3 'F'	Kriti 3 'A'
Blue	Pranav 3 'C'	Anshika 3 'C'
Green	Archita 3 'A'	Ishika 3 'D'
Yellow	Aryan Verma 3 'H'	Kaenat Fatima 3 'G'





Feast Day 2018

Like every year this year also the session started with the blessings of our Patron Saint - St. Katherine. The students, teachers and management of the school together put their efforts and brought forward a very special assembly to remember the goodness and kindness of St. Katherine of Siena.

The management of the school chose the same occasion to render some special awards to these teachers amidst a grand gala celebration.

Simran Kumari of 2 'A' as our little St. Katherine



For full dedication in work -Ms. Elamma Joseph



The day I received the award, it took me to the day of my joining. I never believed in 'I' but in 'We'. This award was, due to our management's trust and teachers' co-operation. So I thank God and everyone who has been my strength and well wishers.

-Ms. Elamma Joseph

Being acknowledged for the work you love becomes a 'Cherry on the cake'. It was the 29th of April 2018 when the huge family of St. Karen's gathered to celebrate its feast day. The school management thought of honouring the teachers for their extra effort. And to my surprize I was awarded for 'Enthusiastic Support'. I was totally amazed and at the same time delighted to receive the award from our dear Big Ma'am. I am grateful to Big Ma'am and Sharon Ma'am for this award.

-Ms. Sabita Shah





We received the award of 'Active Participation' from the hands of our respected Big Ma'am and Big Sir. It was a proud moment for us. We thank Big Ma'am, Big Sir and Sharon Ma'am for finding us eligible and deserving for this award.

> –Ms. Niva Ms. Mukti Sangeeta Minj



For active participation L-Ms. Nibha, R-Ms. Mukti Sangeeta Minj

For well prepared exam papers-Ms. Kakoli Das

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Receiving recognition for my efforts is definitely a 'Feel Good' emotion. It was a pleasant and unexpected surprise for me. Indeed it is a great motivation for all of us to get recognized for our effort and give of our best.

-Ms. Kakoli Das



For Perfect Attendance (L to R) Ms. P. Prakash, Ms. A. Kundu, Ms. P. Norbert, Ms. R. Sah, Ms. M. Jacob, Ms. R. George, Ms. V.I Paul, Ms. S. Das, Ms. P. Kumari and Mr. A.K. Choudhary



Save The Earth Save Yourself







Earth Day

The Earth is what we all have in common. "This year the theme for the world "Earth Day" was environmental and climate literacy." Plant a tree today, Make the life of the Earth much longer.

To support the Go Green initative and make our environment pollution free, the students of Std. III raised their voice for the use of paper bags.

Simple, but very true. The above message was conveyed on the occasion of "The Earth Day" celebration conducted in our school premises to support for environmental education and high lighting the efforts to spread greenery and engage the whole students in making a difference.

Our school proudly hosted the first assembly of the session 2018-19 to celebrate the occasion of "Earth Day".

Emotions of The Children on The Occasion of Earth Day

Essay on "Earth Day"

As we all know that earth is the only known planet having life in this universe. So we should respect and maintain everything we get from our mother earth. We should save the mother earth, so that in future also we can live in a safe environment. We can save the earth by saving trees, natural vegetation, water electricity, natural resources etc.

-Nabeela Fatima (3 'B')

The only planet, where life is possible is Earth, a combination of natural resources such as water, Oxygen and gravity. Earth day is celebrated to spread awareness among people regarding the effective measures that one should take to prevent the earth from being destroyed by pollution.

-Vanshika Singh (3 'B')

7 Eye Opening Facts for "Earth Day"

- 1. The Earth's Rotation is slowing down gradually.
- 2. The Earth has its own magnetic field.
- 3. 70% of the Earth's surface is water.
- 4. The Earth is the only planet not named after a God.
- 5. The Earth moves incredibly fast.
- 6. The Earth isn't a perfect sphere.
- 7. Pollution is killing the Earth.



-Rudransh (3 'F')



Do something drastic..... Cut the plastic!





Yoga Day

You cannot always control what goes on outside, But you can always control what goes on inside.

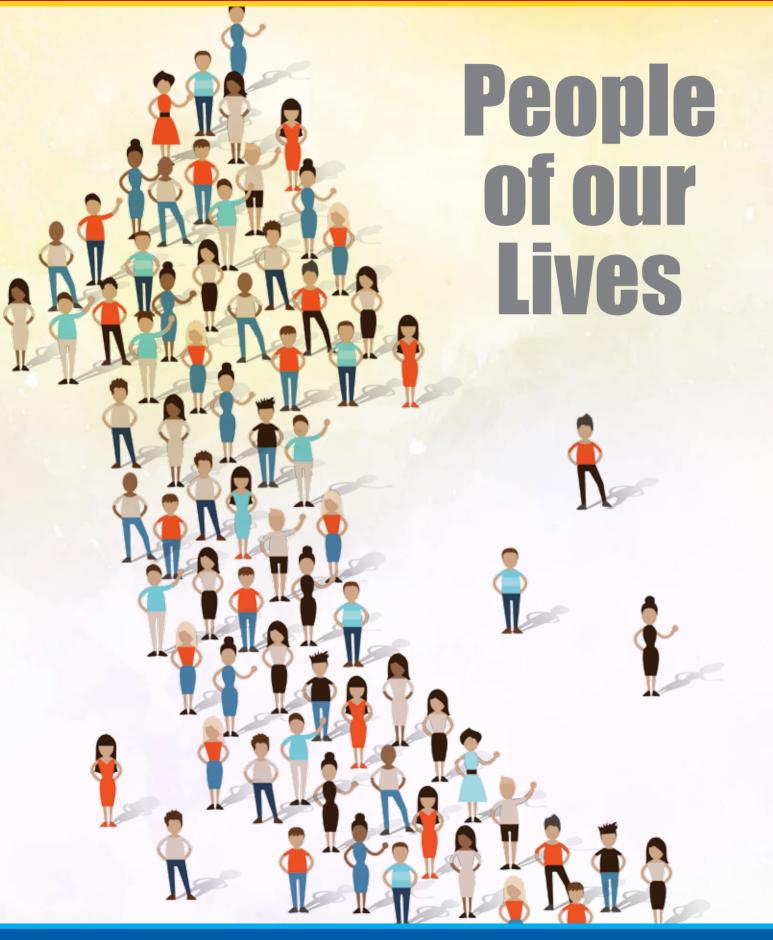
Teachers celebrated 'International Yoga Day' on 21st of June '18. Yoga brings together physical and mental discipline to achieve a peaceful body and mind.

This year the theme was "Yoga for peace."

Yoga manages stress and anxiety and keep us relaxed. It provides a way to nourish and to refine our body, mind and soul. It is a devoted practice to experience a spiritual journey. Yoga is when every cell of the body sings the song of the soul.







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Mother's Day

Mothers are one of the first indications of the sovereignity of God in our lives. The bond of unconditional love and affection between a mother and a child was depicted in the special assembly by the students of our school marking 'Mother's Day'. It was celebrated in our school on 7th May, '18. It was conducted by the students of I-F and II-B.



Without my mom.... I would not have been into this world. Days may have withered to make her grow old, but she is always my superstar in my world.











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Friendship Day celebrations take place on the first Sunday of August every year. The tradition of dedicating a day in honour of friends, the students of our school assembled on 4th August' 18 to celebrate 'Friendship Day'. Friendship is an important relationship which must be respected and so it was fantastically portrayed by the students of Std. I, II and III through their speeches, quotes, melodious song and an electrifying dance performance.

Wonderful dance performance by the students of std 2.



An Acrostic on FRIENDS by the students of std 1 and 2.



Electrifying dance performance by Std 1 and 2.

True friends are like diamonds- Bright beautiful valuable and always in style.







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Rakshabandhan

The festival of Rakshabandhan or the bond of protection is all about the love between brothers and sisters. A special assembly was conducted on 25th August, '18 by the students of Std. 1 'J' and 2 'E' highlighting the importance of this festival.

A Brother - sister relationship is like Tom and Jerry. They tease and irritate each other, knock each other down, but can't live without each other.



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Teacher's Day

Teachers play an extraordinary part in the lives of children. On the occasion of Teacher's Day, a special assembly was organised on 4th September, '18 with incredible gusto and zeal by the Students of I, II and III of our school. To begin with, the students gave a 'Thank you' message to express their gratitude for their teachers. This was followed by a prayer song and a prayer dance accompanied with a melodious song. The students paid homage to their teachers - through their inspiring poems, skits and speeches.



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Help The Elderly

Helpage India voices the concerns of elders to help them live a more dignified life. Its Mission– "To work for the cause and care of disadvantaged older people and to improve their quality of life".

Quality time with our grand parents... can provide a safe heaven and warm place to land when the stresses of life are overwhelming.

A resource person from HelpAge India came to make the children understand the value of our grandparents. He also helped the children understand their responsibilities towards the elders of our society. Keeping this in mind our children from SKMS whole heartedly took the task of collecting money for the helpless elders of our society and collected the total amount of Rs. Two lakhs ten thousand six hundred and fifty.

Help the Elderly

Few things we can do to spend quality time with our grand parents.

- Cook a family favourite recipe together.
- Do art projects together.
- Listen to their life stories.
- Have dedicated time together like regular visits to the park.
- Learn something new together such as a new craft.

First highest collector – Durgesh (2 'E') Rs. 2180/-Second highest collector – Sanidhya Pratap (3 'B') Rs. 2000/-Third highest collector – Anushka (3 'C') Rs. 1685/-The highest collecting teacher was Mrs. K. Shobha (2 'A') whose class collected Rs. 10,551/-



Certificate of Appreciation for Std. 1 & 2 Teachers.



Certificate of Appreciation for Std. 3 Teachers.



Certificate of Appreciation for UKG Teachers.



Highest collection done by K. Shobha Miss (2 'A'), Sanyadha Pratap (3 'B'), Anushka (3 'C') and Durgesh (2 'E') along with Big Ma'am.

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Festivals

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Diwali - Rows of Lighted Lamps

Diwali symbolises the spiritual "Victory of light over darkness, good over evil and knowledge over ignorance." On 6th November 2018 the students of our school assembled together to celebrate Diwali. The assembly was conducted by the students of Std. 1 'I' and 2 'F'. The rhythmic performance mesmerized the audience. The graceful moves of the students were spell bounding. The anchoring of the entire programme was handled by Shambhavi Raj of Std. 3 'F'. The programme was really praise worthy.



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Christmas



On the misty morning of 22nd December 2018 our school celebrated the birth of Jesus Christ with great fun and frolic. The entire school echoed with holy hymns sung by the students. Children enjoyed the day by dancing, sharing gifts and exchanging cards.

A Day with Santa

On 19th December 2018 our students were very thrilled to take part in a Santa Claus mask– making activity. Children whole heartedly took part in this event and made beautiful masks and enjoyed thoroughly.



The Santa Mask Making Activity by Std. 1 'E'.

Creativity from imagination by the students of 2 'C'.



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Snow covered mountains with Snowmen and Santa carrying gifts on his sleigh, transformed the classes into a dreamland.

A Drawing Competition was conducted on 22nd December 2018 for the students of Std. 1 and Std. 2 on the theme – "Winter Wonderland".

The students had an opportunity to display their innate creative talents through this competition.

Their spontaneity and creativity was put to test when they were required to come up with their attractive drawings on-the-spot.

The children enjoyed themselves very much as they welcomed the festive Winter Season.

















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ndia of M u Dreams

"Fill your paper with the breathings of your heart". -William Wordsworth

Keeping this in mind we let our students pour out their heart's contents on paper to know what they think of their motherland, India. The following essays are so amazing and well written that we simply can't keep them from you our readers.

WHERE THERE WILL BE PEACE AND HARMONY EVERYWHERE

India of my dreams will be a place where there will be peace and harmony everywhere. India will reach great heights. It will be filled with compassion and love. It will be free of hunger and sufferings. It will be free of violence. Every Indian will be happy. This will be my India- a great country.

THE RICHEST COUNTRY OF THE WORLD

I dream of India as a very educated country where people from different religions would live together in peace. I want my country to be much better in science, technology and education. There will be food and shelter for everyone in my country. Once our country was considered as the 'Golden bird' because our country was the richest country of the world. I want those golden days to come back.

FREE OF POVERTY

India of my dreams would be free of poverty. There would be greenery everywhere. There would be no pollution. In my dreams, India would be free of corruption. People would live in peace and harmony.

– Hansika Bharti (3 'D')

and healthier place to live in. There should be complete justice in every corner of my country.

- Yashfin (3 'E')

WHERE WOMEN WILL BE EQUAL TO MEN

HAPPIER AND HEALTHIER PLACE TO LIVE IN

India of my dreams would be a place where there will be no discrimination. India has seen a lot of development in the field of science and education. I dream of India as a fully developed country. I also dream of India as a nation where everyone is educated. India of my dreams would be a place where women will be equal to men.

– Ananya Arun (3 'F')

FREE FROM CORRUPTION AND POLLUTION

India is my country. I want my country clean, digital and powerful. In my country I want good schools and hospitals. I want my country to give equal education to rich and poor. In my country there should be more trees and forests. I want my country to be the best country in the world. My country's government should be more powerful. In my country there should be more discipline. In my country there should be more security. I want my country free from corruption and pollution.

– Adity Kumari (3 'G')

I am an Indian. I love my motherland. I wish to make it an ideal country in the world. I dream of making India a richer, happier

– Aditya Raj (3 'C')



- Ayushi (3 'A')

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Gandhi Jayanti



The students of our S.K.M.S. paid tribute to Mahatama Gandhi by celebrating Gandhi Jayanti in our school. Through various programmes, Gandhi Ji was remembered with all our hearts. The anchors Bhargavi of Std. 3 'D' and Trishna of Std. 3 'E' welcomed the audience with the words of this famous song– 'De di hame aazadi bina khadag bina dhaal, Saabarmati ke sant tune kar diya kamaal.' A wonderful speech then followed by Shristi of 3 'C' who took us all to the pre-independence time when Gandhi Ji started the 'Quit India Movement'. Our choir group sang a beautiful medley of all the Bhajans of Gandhi Ji.

The three famous messages of Gandhi Ji (Bura mat dekho, Bura mat suno, Bura mat bolo) gave a completion to the programme which our students presented by doing actions. The programme came to an end with our National Anthem.



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Independence Day



The management, teachers, staff and the students of S.K.M.S. are proud to be the citizens of India and feel responsible to celebrate the most glorified day of our Indian History – Independence Day.

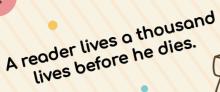
We celebrated our 72nd Independence Day with great enthusiasm and zeal. The anchor Apurwa Shree of 3 'F' took us all on a mesmerising journey of India's freedom

movement. It started with a march past by the Students Council members and flag hoisting by our beloved Headmistress Mrs. L.B. Galstaun.

The students of Std. 2 presented a patriotic song which filled our hearts with patriotism followed by a group dance presented by the students of Std. 1 and 2. The students of Std. 3 presented the hanging scene of Bhagat Singh and we all learnt about his bravery. The students of Std. III gave the message to the world 'East or West India is the best' through their group dance.



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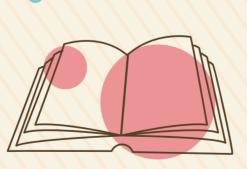


Reading is dreaming with open eyes.



The more you read the more things you will know

Once you learn to read, you will be forever free.





 You can't buy happiness but you can buy books and that's kind of the same thing.

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One Nation Reading Together

"One Nation Reading Together" is a nationwide initiative in which children spend a day celebrating the importance and enjoyment of reading as a pleasurable and enriching experience. On 30th November, 2018, ONRT activity was organized in our school to encourage reading together and in silence. In this fast moving world where electronic gadgets have taken over the reigns, it is important to keep alive the enriching habit of reading.





Our school organised a bookmark making activity on 30th November 2018

Children most enthusiatically participated in the activity

The Graffiti wall displayed the musings and thoughts of the students and teachers on Books and Reading.





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Story Telling



A creative story telling session was conducted by a very dynamic, resourceperson Ms. Kavita Gupta on 2nd November, 18 in the premises of our school.

The resource person emphasized that "Story telling is a learning tool that can encourage students to explore their unique expressiveness and can heighten a student's ability to communicate thoughts and feeling in an articulate lucid manner.

The session was organized for the students and the teachers, where lively expression was in abundance. The students thoroughly enjoyed the exciting, action packed stories. Her enthusiastic interaction with the Kids has laid a foundation for a life time love for Reading.









Book Fair

Books hold an undisputed importance in a students life and one has to adopt different ways of acquiring knowledge. Book fairs provide unlimited benefits in this regards there is a great display of various kinds of books for book lovers.

Our school endeavours to motivate students to develop an interest in reading by conducting various activities to develop reading skills. Organizing a book fair is one such effort to expose the students to the world of fantasy. The Scholastic Book Fair was organized in the school campus on the 31st October and 1st of November.









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Reading is Fun

I like to read fairy tales

I love to read all kinds of books. I have read many stories. My favourite book is Cinderella. I like to read fairy tales. I like to read books full of colourful pictures. Reading books is enjoyable and knowledgeable. When I get holidays, I read many books. My favourite hobby is reading books. Reading is always fun for me.

-Devanshi Sharma (1 'D')

"Reading is the kind of exercise that keeps your mind active and healthy".

Reading is fun and very beneficial. Reading of books is a pleasure. It has a joy of its own. I learn many words from reading. It is one of the most important activities for me. It is the kind of exercise that keeps your mind active and healthy. It is important to read a good book at least for a few minutes everyday. -Shambhavi Sharma (1 'H')



Just open a book and BOOM !

Reading is fun because while reading we can create our own world. I love reading fairy tales such as Cinderella and Snow White. I love to read magical stories because when I read them I think I am in a magical world of fairies. When we read we also know about many things. Many people say it's boring. But let them say and just dig into it. Whenever you want entertainment or you want to go in a magical world. "Just open a book and BOOM ! Whenever you want something new, you don't need to do anything just become a bookworm, everything will change.

-Archit (1 'I')

Reading is great fun and we can learn new things too!

Reading is a great way for entertainment. There are different types of stories, novels and articles, in which we can get 'lots of fun by reading them. Many movies are based on the stories. Panchtantra is one of the best stories. I like Panchtantra stories very much. Reading great fun and we can learn new things too. I like reading stories very much.

-Aastha Verma (2 'D')



Reading develops our imagination and creativity.

Reading of books and newspapers is a pleasure. It has a joy of its own. We forget our problems for the time being while reading. Reading develops our imagination and creativity. Through reading, we gain knowledge about various things. It also improves children's vocabulary. Reading keeps our mind active and strong. You never feel bored or lonely if you develop good reading habits. You always learn something new when you read.

-Mrisha Singh (2 'E')

We gain knowledge about the world around us

Reading is a good habit that will make us wise. It is very important for us. It helps to improve our language and vocabulary. "We gain knowledge about the world around us." There are many kinds of books such as novels, short stories, fairy tales and adventure stories. I look for a comfortable, quiet place at home to read without any disturbance.

-Sujal Singh (2 'I')



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Kindergarten

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Recitation

The Kindergarten Recitation Competition.

"Welcome to the Kindergarten show, where young minds blossom and grow!" These were the enthusiastic lines spoken by Alok and Aishwarya, from UKG who were the anchors at the Kindergarten Recitation Competition held on 23rd November' 18. Recitation of poems and rhymes is one of the most important and effective modes of learning a language, helping to develop self expression. Our little ones through their innocent words and actions along with a lot of smiles and giggles captivated the hearts of the audience and made their presence felt. A variety of new and interesting rhymes flew out from their lips as the tiny stars swayed and sashayed to express their rhymes to perfection.

The audience's thunderous applause was testimony to the fact that the show was a runaway success!



Welcome to Our Kindergarten

Awesome Educational Activities for Kindergarten

As children embark on their educational journeys, early education is of vital importance as it lays the foundation for future academic and social success. The welcome to Kindergarten program helps prepare children for a positive start to their school journey.

Keeping this in mind, our school provides the opportunity to the tiny tots throughout the year because ACTIVITIES will lead to the all round development of children and make them achieve their maximum potential.

Activities on shapes

Learning about different shapes help in honing reading and writing skills. In Nursery our children are taught about shapes and their importance in life.

Children were made to solve shapes related to puzzles and they were helped to make paper cut outs of different shapes.



Singing a 'Shapes' song.

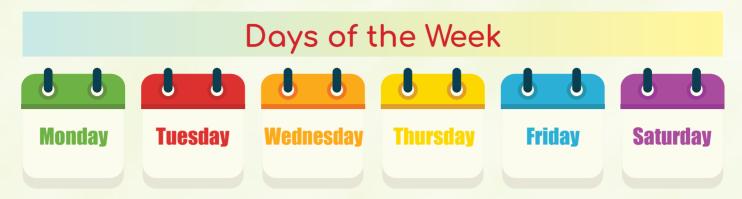
Students of Nursery-E showing their shapes with their cute smiles.

Theractive techniques being to teach shapes.

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Tiny tots of Nursery were tagged with a hanging card signifying a day of the week and they were made to arrange the days leading to a fun activity in which they even sang a song based on days of the week.



Mrs. Niva displaying 'Anchor chart of days of a week' to the nursery children.



Nursery-B Students learning days of a week.

Count and Draw

Counting is important for understanding number names and order.

Maths is all about counting. It is good to include mathematical ideas in a child's everyday activities and in their play.

We made them participate in count and draw activities in which they counted the number of fruits on a tree and wrote it on the sand tray below.



Trees and a Sand tray were used to make them learn numbers.



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Good Touch and Bad Touch

Making our children aware about Child Abuse.

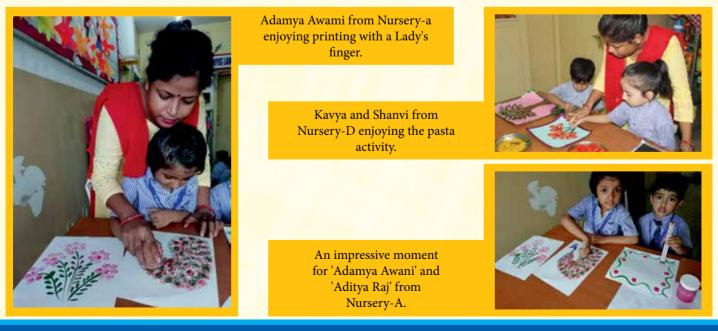
It is important that children knows the difference between a 'Good Touch and Bad Touch'. We educated our children about this because small children trust anyone very easily and become friends with strangers without any qualms. It was our first step towards creating awareness among our children.



Finger Movement and Printing

Activity develops a child's ability and willingness to explore.

Printing art activities boost our artistic skills. They put a smile on each child's face and provides them with wonderful opportunities to learn. Children enjoyed themselves using different printing techniques. In the activity seen below, children made tree leaves, sunrays and houses using pasta shapes.





Puppet Show

The most obvious benefit of puppet play is encouraging the child's imagination and creativity. Children often communicate more easily with puppets, giving them confidence to express their ideas and feelings. In St. Karen's our activity teacher Mrs. Niva sang a song.... 'एक था राजा, एक थी रानी' and also made the children learn and play with the puppets. The students' eyes lit up as the puppet show started.



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Kindergarten Special Assembly

"Kindergarten Fun Again"

The Morning assembly forms an important function of every school. This sets the tone of the school in furthering education. It is a means to create a positive, reflective ethos and promote value - based education. Keeping this in mind, all the important national days and festivals are celebrated in our Kindergarten classes through celebrations and special assemblies. The essence of the festival or the special day is portrayed through dance, music, role play and audio visual presentations.

Feast Day

A Special assembly on 'Feast Day' was conducted by the tiny tots on 28th May, '18. Our school celebrated the feast of our patron saint with great joy and enthusiasm. On this day, our school take our time to pray, reflect and remember as a community, the special significance of our school patron saint. It is a tradition that will continue for many years to come.



Zareen Fatima of Nursery-C dressed up as St. Katherine.

Mother's Day

A child's first teacher is its mother. God could not be everywhere and therefore he made mothers.

Heart - warming feelings filled the air with intimacy, gratitude, appreciation and acknowledgement.... the little ones of SKMS showcased themselves as 'Little Mummies'. The tiny tots passionately got involved in making beautiful greeting cards for their mothers. The outcome of their efforts was marvellous.





Teachers' Day

Teachers can change lives with just the right mix of chalk and challenges. Thanks for planting the seeds of knowledge.



A teacher has been given a place above the almighty God. Keeping this in mind, the tiny tots of our school gathered on 5th

September, '18 to honour and acknowledge the contribution of their teachers. Two children from each section were dressed up as their teacher.

Rakshabandhan

A festival is an occasion of enjoyment and celebration. India is a land of feasts and festivals.

"Sometimes being a brother is even better than being a Superhero".

A special assembly on 'Rakshabandhan' was conducted by the little ones of our school on 25th August, '18. The values of love and protection were - sensitively portrayed by the tiny tots. In fact the little audience seemed very receptive indicating they enjoyed the assembly.

Sanskriti (L.K.G. 'D') performing aarti for Pragnay Pratham (L.K.G. 'D') as her brother.

"Binding two souls in one thread".

Insha Razi (Nur-B) as a sister and Rishi Narayan (Nur-G) as a brother.

Cute sisters making Rakhi for their brothers.

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Janmashtami

'Janmashtami' the birthday of Lord Krishna was celebrated by the little children of our school on 1st September, '18 where the students were dressed as Krishna or Radha and presented some songs and dance. Their little moves - charmed everyone present. The assembly made the children learn about Lord Krishna and the significance of the Janmashtami Celebration.



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Diwali

'Happy Diwali' with a gleam of auspicious Diyas and holy chants.

Tiny tots of our school celebrated Diwali with devotion, enthusiasm and excitement by lighting decorative candles and diyas. Many activities were arranged to make this day memorable for the children. The teachers told them the importance of Diwali and made beautiful rangolis alongwith the children.



Without Rangoli we can't imagine the celebration of Diwali.

Children showing their beautiful rangolis to Headmistress Ma'am.



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Christmas

Christmas waves a magic wand over this world. Christmas is a time for giving love.

Soaking in the spirits of Christmas, the tiny tots of our school celebrated the festival on 22nd December, '18 with gaiety. The children emphasized the importance of caring and sharing and spreading goodness all around. The beautiful assembly became energised when Santa visited the students and had fun with them.





My Healthy Tiffin

Healthy and adequate meals help to meet nutritional needs of the child. Since children eat better in the company of their peers a healthy tiffin is a good way to introduce variety in their meals.

"Apples are red, berries are blue Pears are Sweet and they are all good for you." Keeping this in mind, our school organised a drawing competition in which the tiny tots whole heartedly participated and drew what they imagined would be a 'Healthy Tiffin.'



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Kids Corner Have A Drear

Writing down your dream and displaying it somewhere helps you to make it come true. An Essay competition was conducted for the students on the theme- "I Have A Dream". Having a dream is a great way to stay motivated and hold yourself accountable for what you have set out to do.

Not easy to become a fireman.

I want to become a fireman because I would like to help the public in emergency situations. It is not easy to become a Fireman. Fire-fighting is a job which requires bravery, strength, quick thinking and a wide range of skills. I know I have a long way to go until I am truly ready to be a firefighter. But still I will work hard to fulfill my dream.

-Diptanshu (1 'C')

A Doctor is similar to God.

My dream is to become a doctor. It is my childhood dream. I will study hard and get good marks to fulfil my dream. It is a good job. A Doctor is similar to God. A good doctor serves the patients with kindness. I hope my dream comes true one day.

-Manvi Chandra (1 'E')

To serve my country

I would like to become an army officer. I also want to help others. It is a job that requires full of dedication and hard work. I like to serve my country because I love my country. An army officer is respected everywhere. The life of an army officer is always full of great responsibilities in serving the nation and its people. I want to do something for my nation.

-Ansh Raj (1 'J')

I want to solve the mystery of the blackhole

I want to be an astronaut. When I become an astronaut I will visit other planets. If I see an alien, I will talk to him. I will click a lot of photographs of space and make an album on it. I want to solve the mystery of the blackhole. I would maintain a record of the places that I will visit in my life. I hope my dream will become a reality.

-Md. Zidan Khan (2 'A')



If I were the P.M. of India

To be the Prime Minister of a country is a matter of pride. If I were the P.M. of India, I would make so many changes in the country especially in the field of education. I would make education free for all. I would strictly ban dowry and child labour. I would lead India to great heights. I promise that I will always keep the integrity of my nation.

-Milind Sharma (2 'C')

My dream is to be a Teacher

My dream is to be a teacher. I like to be a teacher because it is a noble profession. I would help the children in their work and also teach them good manners. I would always be polite with children. Teachers are the character builders of children. Teacher is the one who removes darkness and brings light in a student's life. I want to be the best teacher in the world.



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Here are the advantages and disadvantages of Mobile phones by our little Karenites. No one can deny the significance of mobile phones for students. It was invented by Dr. Martin Cooper in April 1973. Many - students had given their views on it. Let's have a look...

मोबाइल विज्ञान की एक अद्भूत देन है जो कि एक छोटे कम्प्यूटर के रूप में हमेशा हमारे साथ रहता है। मोबाइल मेरा दोस्त है। ज्यादातर मैं मोबाइल में पढ़ाई से जुड़ी बातों को देखता हूँ या विज्ञान के नए-नए अविष्कारों के विषय में देखता हूँ। परंतु कभी-कभी मोबाइल मेरा दुश्मन बन जाता है। मैं पढ़ने के बाद कभी-कभी मोबाइल के खेलों को खेलता हूँ। कभी-कभी मोबाइल के कारण पढ़ाई में ध्यान नहीं लगा पाता हूँ।

लेकिन अब मैं अपनी तरफ से पूरी कोशिश करूँगा कि पढ़ाई के समय केवल पढ़ाई ही करूँ और पढ़ने के बाद थोडे समय के लिए ही मोबाइल का इस्तेमाल करूँ।

-अभिनव आनंद (2 'आई')

मोबाइल हमारा दोस्त भी है और दुश्मन भी। इसके उपयोग से हम पूरी दुनिया से जुड़े रहते हैं। मोबाइल से बात करने के अलावा हम इसका उपयोग घड़ी, कैलकुलेटर, कैलेण्डर के रूप में भी करते है। जहाँ एक ओर मोबाइल के प्रयोग से हमारे काम आसान हो गए हैं। वहीं इसके अधिक प्रयोग से शारीरिक बीमारियाँ हो रही हैं। मोबाइल से निकलनेवाली हानिकारक रेडियो तरंगे कई घातक बीमारियाँ पैदा करती हैं। –**हिशिता राज** (2 'ई')

मोबाइल मेरा दोस्त भी है दुश्मन भी। मोबाइल से हम एक-दूसरे से बात कर सकते हैं। एक-दूसरे को संदेश भेज सकते हैं। इसमें लगे कैमरे से हम सुंदर तस्वीरें खींच सकते हैं। साथ ही हम मोबाइल में इंटरनेट चला सकते हैं, जहाँ पर हम दुनियाभर की जानकारी ले सकते हैं। लेकिन मोबाइल से जितने लाभ हैं उतने नुकसान भी हैं। लोग ज्यादातर समय मोबाइल के साथ बिताते हैं। जिसके कारण आँखें कमजोर हो जाती है। मोबाइल के कारण अभिभावक अपने बच्चों को अधिक समय नहीं दे रहे हैं।

-मान्या राय (2 'एच')

मोबाइल में पढ़ाई से जुड़ी बातों को देखता हूँ |

कई घातक बीमारियाँ पैदा करती हैं मोबाइल से निकलने बाली रेडियो तरंगें

> सुंदर तस्वीरें खींच सकते हैं मोबाइल के कैमरे से

> > मोबाइल एक ही समय पर हमारा दोस्त भी हो सकता है और दुश्मन भी। यह इस बात पर निर्भर करता है कि हम इसका उपयोग कैसे करते हैं। अगर हम मोबाइल का प्रयोग सिर्फ बात करने के लिए या कोई जानकारी हासिल करने के लिए करते हैं तो यह हमारा दोस्त है।

> > लेकिन जब हम इसका प्रयोग गलत तरीके से करते हैं। जैसे- अधिकतर समय इसपर खेल खेलना, 'ब्लू व्हेल' जैसे जानलेवा खेल खेलना, अधिकतर समय इसपर कार्टून देखना तब यह हमारा दुश्मन बन जाता है। यह हमारी सेहत और आँखों को भी खराब कर देता है।

अतः हमें मोबाइल का सही प्रयोग कर इसे हमारा दोस्त बनाना चाहिए।

-गोविन्द (2 'ई')

मोबाइल पर ब्लू व्हेल जैसे खेल खेलना है जानलेबा

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मोबाइल आजकल के अविष्कारों में सबसे अनोखा और अद्भूत अविष्कार है। मोबाइल ने मानव जीवन को बदल कर रख दिया है। मोबाइल ने हमारे जीवन को सुगम बना दिया है। यदि इसका सदुपयोग किया जाए तो मोबाइल हमारा सबसे अच्छा मित्र है, और यदि दुरुपयोग किया जाए तो हमारा इससे बड़ा शत्रु कोई हो ही नहीं सकता। मोबाइल ने दुनिया की सभी जानकारियों को एक जगह करके हमारे पॉकेट में पहुँचा

दिया है। इसी प्रकार दुरुपयोग की स्थिति में यह हमारे पॉकेट में रखे हुए बम की तरह है। अत: सदुपयोग करें तो यह हमारे लिए ज्ञान का भंडार और मित्र है। और दुरुपयोग करें तो शत्रु। —**अनन्या** (3'जी')

मोबाइल ने दुनिया की सारी जानकारियों को एक जगह करके हमारे पॉकेट में पहुँचा दिया है ।

> आज मोबाइल का प्रयोग पूरी दुनिया में काफी बढ़ चुका है। आज के समय में मोबाइल मनुष्य की जरुरत बन चुकी है। आपात्काल के समय मोबाइल के कई फायदे हैं। जैसे अचानक तबियत खराब होने पर डॉक्टर को बुला सकते हैं।

> लेकिन मोबाइल के अधिक उपयोग करने से मनुष्यों को मानसिक तनाव का शिकार होना पड़ता है। इससे बच्चों पर भी बुरा प्रभाव पड़ा है। मोबाइल जिस प्रकार मनुष्य को लाभ दे रहा है उतनी ही दुगुनी तरीके से हमें मश्किल में भी डाल रहा है।

> अत: मोबाइल हमारे लिए दोस्त भी है और दुश्मन भी। आज के युग में मोबाइल का प्रयोग सही और सुरक्षित तरीके से करना चाहिए। –वेदान्त (3 'सी')

मोबाइल के अधिक उपयोग से मानसिक तनाब का शिकार होना पड़ता है ।

> आज मोबाइल हमारे जीवन का अभिन्न अंग बन चुका है। मोबाइल फोन से हम ऐसे काम कर सकते हैं जो हमने कभी भी सोचा भी नहीं था। इससे हम घर बैठे अपने रिश्तेदारों से विडियो कॉल के द्वारा देख कर बात कर सकते हैं। इससे हम कई प्रकार के बिल का भुगतान कर सकते हैं। इसके द्वारा ई-मेल भेज सकते हैं। जी.पी.एस. के प्रयोग से बच्चों पर बुरा प्रभाव पड़ रहा है, क्योंकि बच्चे इसका दुरुपयोग करते हैं। बच्चे मोबाइल के खेलों को खेल कर तथा यू-ट्यूब जैसे सोशल मिडिया पर अपना समय बर्बाद करते हैं। अर्थात् मोबाइल फोन जिस प्रकार मनुष्य को फायदा दे रहा है, उतना ही मुश्किल में भी डाल रहा है। –रौनक राज (3 'एच')

जी.पी.एस. के मदद से रास्ता ढूँढ सकते हैं ।

> आज के युग में शायद ही ऐसा कोई होगा जिसके पास मोबाइल फोन न हो। हर व्यक्ति के पास मोबाइल फोन होना आम बात है और हम सभी इसके आदि हो चके हैं।

> मोबाइल फोन हमारा दोस्त है। इसके अनेक फायदे हैं। इसके द्वारा हम अपने रिश्तेदारों दोस्तों से कभी भी बात कर सकते हैं। तस्वीरें खींच सकते हैं। संगीत सन सकते हैं।

> परंतु बच्चे दिन भर मोबाइल से चिपके रहते हैं। उसमें कई प्रकार के खेल होते हैं, जिनकी उन्हें लत लग जाती है। जो उनके स्वास्थ्य एवं पढ़ाई दोनों को प्रभावित करती है। इसके अधिक प्रयोग से कई प्रकार की बीमारियाँ हो रही हैं और बच्चे पढ़ाई में ध्यान नहीं देते हैं।

> अत: मोबाइल फोन का सही प्रयोग करने पर यह हमारा दोस्त है और अधिक तथा गलत प्रयोग करने पर दुश्मन। —**नबीहा फातिमा** (3 'बी)



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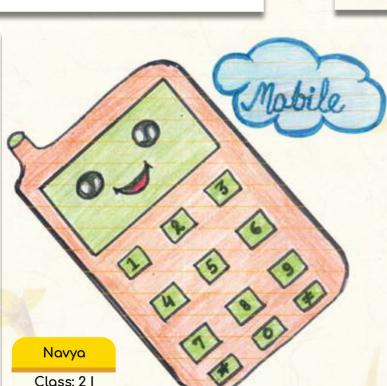
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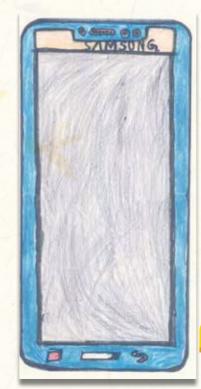
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कल जैसे ही हाथ में मोबाइल उठाया, मेरा बेटा दौड़ा-दौड़ा आया। 'माँ मोबाइल दे दो जरूरी काम है' बोला, मेरा गुदगुदाता व चहकता मन अचानक डोला यूँ तो कहने की सारी विरासत उसकी,

पर फिर यह मोबाइल की सियासत किसकी? यह कैसा मायावी यंत्र है, जिसने बड़े-छोटे को कर दिया परतंत्र है।







Alok Class: 2 C

Class: 2 B

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You can't always be the most talented in the room but you can be the most competitive.

Do your work with your whole heart and you will will succeed. There's so little competition. A competitive person is always a winner. An uncompetitive person is always a loser.

SILVER

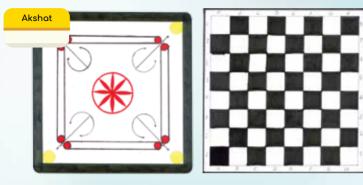
GOLD

BRONZE

The only person you should try to be better than is the person you were yesterday.

Competitions

Carrom Competition



It is not surprising that education and competitions are intimately related. On one hand, it is natural for children to compete and, therefore, understandable that competition is put to educational use.

Like any sport, carrom too needs focus and a determination to succeed.

Friendly competition in school has been proven to nurture inquisitiveness in children. They learn what drives them and how to look within to find a solution. From St. Karen's Montessori School the students went for the Inter School Carrom Competition, which was held in St. Karen's High School, Gola Road from 16th July '18 to 19th July 2018.

In addition to that carrom enhances one's knowledge of geometry and angles to put the difficult coins in the pocket. The winners as follows :-

1st	Sumaiya (2 'J')
2nd	Laiba Khan (2 'D')
3rd	Aditya Kumar (1 'D')



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Inter Branch Athletic Championship

Games and Sports are an integral part of education. They assist in the overall development of a child. A healthy mind resides in a healthy body. Sports and games keep a student physically fit.

Our school too stresses upon this aspect of education and provides various sports to help students develop an interest towards sports.

An Inter School Athletics Championship was held in St. Karen's Secondary School on 27th November 2018. The Athletic Championship was organized for the students of Std. I to V.

Both boys and girls separately participated from each class.

🕅 Medal Tally		
9	80 m Race (Girls)	
1st Prize	Laiba Khan (2 'D')	
3rd Prize	Priya Kumari (2 'B')	
80 m Race (Boys)		
2nd Prize	Arpit Kumar (2 'C')	
3rd Prize	Md. Noor Alam (2 'E')	
100 m Race (Boys)		
2nd Prize	Prince (3 'E')	
200 m Race (Boys)		
1st Prize	Prince (3 'E')	



Ready Set Go!.....



Winners of the 200m Race



Winners of the 80m Race



The Winning Team with Headmistress Ma'am and Ms. Aparna





Story Telling Competition

Stories are one of the most powerful things in humanity. Stories teach us empathy, compassion and hopefully we achieve some sort of understanding.

Brightening the day of the students with wonderful stories, a story telling session was conducted on 1st of August 2018 in St. Karen's Montessori School where life and expression was in abundance.

Story telling is the oldest form of education as well as the easiest. The art of story telling has become rare but our school realizing the importance of stories often encourage our students to take part in such activities. The stories were based on different themes.

Std I- "Animals" Std II- "A Loving Family" Std III- "Akbar and Birbal" The Best 3 storytellers were selected at the end of the event.

Green House Karnika (I 'D') Blue House Yashaswi (II 'F') Tanzil (III 'B')



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Just A Minute Competition

Just a minute generally referred to as J.A.M. refers to when the candidate has to speak on a given topic within one minute.

It is conducted to test the fluency of English and Vocabulary.

Our little Karenites proved their talents on 5th October '18. It was really a successful event.



Arsh Anand (Std. 3 'A')



Chandra (Std. 1 'E')





Samarth Srivastav (Std. I 'G')



All participants of the 4 houses ready for the competition.



Our little Anchors Apurva (Std. 3 'F') and Karnika (Std. 3 'D')



Shrishti Jha (Std. 3 'C')



The Choir group with their welcome song.



L to R Ms. Sunita Abraham, Judges of J.A.M. Competition.



Winners of J.A.M. Competition with Headmistress Ma'am & Librarian.



Wiz National Spell Bee

The 'Wiz National Spell Bee' language development program comprises learning with fun and encourages healthy competition. It also aims at helping students improve spelling skills, increase vocabulary, develop communication skills, grasp concepts and correct pronunciation. At S.K.M.S. we always promote such programmes and this year we are happy to state that three of our Karenites– Sharvin (2 'B'), Utkarsh (2 'E') and Aditya (3 'C') participated in the Mega finals in Kolkata and made us all proud. Three cheers to our Karenites !



(L to R) Sharvin (2 'B'), Utkarsh (2 'E'), Aditya (3 'C') made us proud by making it to the Mega finals (National Level) of Spell Bee.

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English Elocution

The word elocution refers to one's manner of speaking. It is mainly used in reference to a speaker's manner of speech when speaking or reading aloud in public. It is an effective and socially acceptable way of speaking. Elocution can also refer to the study of public speaking, with particular attention paid to pronunciation, grammar and style. Inflection, stress and facial expression are also important.

This year our students participated in an Inter School

Karnika (1 'D') reciting 'I Love My family'. Ananya Raj (2 'G') reciting 'Rain- "The Lord's Gift'. Trisha 3 'D' reciting "Chicken Chicken".







English Elocution Competition on 29th October '18. The participants were :

I 'D'	Karnika
II 'G'	Ananya Raj
III 'D'	Trisha

They proudly received their prizes from the Director of the school.

Winners of Std. 1



Winners of Std. 2







Inter School Hindi Patriotic Song Competition

"Music gives a soul to the universe", Wings to the mind, Flight to the imagination, and life to everything.

The spirit of patriotism is important to understand the true value of Independence and "Patriotic Songs" for the kids are the best means to do so.

The students of Std. I, II and III participated in an Inter School Hindi Patriotic Group Song Competition. The Pamela Hall is St. Karen's High School was filled with children brimming with enthusiasm and eagerness to showcase their talent.

Std. 1 sang - ''आओ चले मिलजुलकर हम''

- Std. 2 sang ''हम राही है, हम साथ है''
- Std. 3 sang ''देश अपना भारत इस धरती में सबसे प्यारा''







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Welcome speech by our Headmistress Ma'am.

We celebrated our 28th Annual Day on the 21st of December 2018 amidst great zest, vibrancy and elation highlighting the theme of 'Love grows at Christmas time'.

The programme commenced with the welcome speech by our beloved Headmistress Ma'am followed by the ceremonial 'Lighting of the lamp' by the chief guest Sister Juliana D' Cunha. The smart and intelligent anchors Apurwa Shree of Std. III 'F' and Anushka of Std. III 'C' led the audience through various fun filled and entertaining programmes.

Anchors of the Day (L-Anushka - 3 'C', R- Apurva Shree - 3 'F')

It was a golden opportunity and I learnt many things. I was a bit nervous in the beginning but as the programme went on my nervousness vanished and very successfully the programme came to an end. My teachers, friends and parents appreciated me but the most wonderful thing happened when I got a surprise gift from Sharon Ma'am in appreciation for all my efforts. –Apurwa Shree (3 'F')

To be an anchor of such a big even was an event big responsibility but I did it very successfully. I was appreciated by everyone and I also got a lot of appreciation from my teachers and a surprise gift from our Assistant Headmistress Sharon Ma'am.

-Anushka (3 'C')

The Choir Group Welcoming the Guests.



The choir group mesmerized the audience with their melody dipped notes of the welcome songs– 'Love grows at Christmas time' and 'Christmas is the time to love'.

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Little celebrities of Std. I with The Christmas Alphabet.



Dancing and enjoying with Barney.



Barney decorating the Christmas Tree with the Children of STD I



'Barney's Night Before Christmas' stole the show. The students of Std. I put up an excellent programme with their hard work and great enthusiasm.

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Della, presenting a beautiful watch to Jim.

'The gift of the Magi' was a heart warming presentation by the students of Std. III 'F' Kriti Katayani, Kavir Ranjan and Aarushi because it gave the message of love and sacrifice at Christmas.

Shaurya, the selfish giant is forbidding the children to enter into his garden.

Snow, Hail and Frost capturing the garden of the Selfish Giant.

"The Selfish Giant' was the centre of attraction as the Selfish giant played by Shourya of III 'E' thrilled the audience with his presence. The co-actors and the dancing group equally entertained the audience with their splendid performance.



the presence of little children.



Footprints

प्रभु यशु मसीह के जन्म का अनुपम दूश्य।

हमारी कक्षा प्रथम, द्वितीय और तृतीय के छात्रों ने कड़ी मेहनत, लगन और प्यार से प्रभु यशु मसीह के जन्म की अनुपम कहानी को मंच पर जीवन्त बनाया।



Children of Std. II offering gifts to Baby Jesus.



The students of Std. II dressed as different animals performed on the song of 'O what a special Night'.







The programme ended with a special Vote of Thanks by our Assistant Headmistress Sharon Ma'am.

Grand Finale dance on 'Holy Night'.



Dancing on 'Feliz Navidad'.



The grand finale comprised of three back to back striking dance performances by the students of Std. II.

