



ITL OBSERVES LITERATI 2019-20..... A tryst with the literary world

‘We invent the world through languages. The world occurs through languages.’

Literati was organized on **April 22, 2019 and April 23, 2019** at **ITL Public School** with the aim to transport the students into the world of fantasy and imagination and also to enhance their communication skills and linguistic competence.

Students of **Class I** delved into the literary world with the activity of ‘**Poet in Me**’ wherein they recited the poems in groups enthusiastically. A variety of poems on **Nature, Trees and Happiness** with eye catching props added the icing on the cake.

The activity **Malgudi Days - Story Narration** using **Puppets** by teachers was conducted for **Class II** students. The story narration painted visual images of the imaginary town Malgudi through the depiction of mischievous activities and pranks of the protagonist Swami.

The grandparents were invited to **FOLKLORE-Story Narration by Grandparents**- an activity for **Class III** students. It was a delight to witness the grandparents of students narrate folk tales to children.

Class IV had hands on experience through creating their own **Comic Strip** on different cartoon characters. They infused life into them by giving them interesting and witty dialogues. The activity helped the students to develop their creativity and attempt at giving human dimensions to characters of fantasy.

Students of **Class V** participated in a ‘**Puppet Show**’ activity .They brought with them an array of self-made puppets carved with exquisite details and narrated folktales and fairy tales in a heart swaying amalgam of dance and music.

The students of **Class VI** reflected their literary prowess by weaving moral stories using different proverbs and idioms through the activity ‘**Story Writers.com**. The self composed stories using colourful puppets and props with liberal use of idioms, unleashed the creativity of the budding writers.

In the activity **Photo Essay** for **Class VII**, the students researched into the ingenious world of well-known authors such as Roald Dahl, Mark Twain, Enid Blyton, Ruskin Bond, R.K Narayan, their early life, famous works, themes involved, achievements and displayed them through creative Photo Essays.

In ‘**Treasure Trove of Poetry**’, the activity for **Class VIII**, the students in groups researched on various poetic forms such as Elegy, Ballad, Epic poetry, Pastoral, Limerick, gaining deeper insight into their form, style and structure. They composed and recited poems on their respective poetic forms showcasing their skills as budding poets.

Class IX presented a Slideshow depicting Influence of **Coffee Houses on English Literature**. The aim behind this activity was to provide an outlet to students to garner information on the evolution of English literature and how coffee houses have been a learning and creative hub. This involved a thorough research on writers from all genres.

The students presented the integral role played by Elephant Café in Edinburgh which inspired J.K Rowling to pen down the entire series of Harry Potter, Ernest Hemingway visiting La Rotonde Café in France, James Joyce visiting Bewley’s Café in Dublin.

As an extended part of the **LITERATI**, a **Symposium** was conducted on 30 April 2019 for students of **Classes X- XII** where a panel of guests comprising of Mr Sanjay Aggarwal, a Senior Producer in Doordarshan, Mr Manoj Mainker, Programme Executive at the Directorate General of All India Radio and Mr Indranil Mukherjee, an aspiring author of fiction graced the event. The eminent panelists discussed about the state of **MODERN DAY READING** among the children.

The seminar not only enhanced the four fundamental skills of English language but enabled students to gain knowledge of English language and implement the same with a wider range of expression.

Literati was a potent platform for the students to express their literary and creative skills, to gain substantial knowledge on English language and literature and thereby to develop a greater passion and involvement towards the literary world.







