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Sri Venkateshwar International School



SVIS Buzz...

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### A New Start

*I have wiped the slate clean,  
No more reminders from the past.  
Memories of what I have been,  
Have vanished at long last.  
I look forward to my future new,  
Where all is territory strange.  
Soon I will be among the few,  
That plans their life at long range.  
I see my life laid out at my feet.*



With much gusto and enthusiasm we spring into the new academic session. The eventful year saw many accomplishments that need to be surpassed, expectations that need to be met with and above all a confidence ingraining in the mind that if it could be done; here's our chance to outdo it once again!

Here's a sneak preview of what kept Sri Venkateshwarites engrossed this month...



## Weaving Magic with Words

With great pride, we announce that **Mishthi Jain** of Class **IX Strawberries** has won the First Prize in the Junior Category in the NIE Essay Writing by the Times of India.

**Devanshee Sharma's** name finds a special mention too as a runner up in the same category.

Their writeup on 'how can you make your mother smile' fetched them the opportunity to meet the former President of India **Dr APJ Abdul Kalam** at his residence. It was like a leaf out of the book when they met the magnetic persona whose ignited speeches have been a motivating force for their generation.

Visit the [Creatica Section to read Mishthi's penned down thoughts...](#)



## ***Gold Medal, Britannica Concise Encyclopedia & Olympiad Book Winners***

***at 2nd Level of National Science Talent Search Examination, 2012***

**Ayush Gupta (II Bilberries): Secured 46 Rank at the National Level**

**Hargun Singh(II Bilberries): Secured 58 Rank at the National Level**

## ***Yoga Champs win Inter-School Yogathan Championship***

***on the occasion of***

***World Health Day***



An Inter-School Yogathan Championship was organized at N. K. Bagrodia Public School, Dwarka on 7 April 2012. The competition witnessed the blend of agility and perfection as **Arshi Halim bagged the First Position** in the Individual Yoga Competition.

She also received a cash award of Rs2000/-. The same event saw the Third Position also accruing to the school with **Shivani Sharma** winning the laurels and an individual cash award of Rs.1000/-. The duo added another feather in their caps.





## **National Level Awards to Sri Venkateshwarites for the Session 2011-12**

### **Science Olympiad Foundation**



The Venkateshwarites continued to excel in all Olympiads. Their credible performance earned them cash award, T-shirts besides meritorious certificates.

**Yajur Mohan Sharma** received a **cash award of Rs. 1000/-** for securing the **41<sup>st</sup> State Rank**. Here's a list of the students who made it to the merit list.

<b>11<sup>th</sup> NCO LEVEL II</b>		
Class	Name of the Student	Rank
02	Hargun Singh	123
02	Ayush Gupta	165
02	Abhisaar Gupta	359
04	Kushaagra Jain	464
05	Stubh Lal	160
06	Himanshu Rajput	287
09	Vishu Gupta	224
<b>14<sup>th</sup> NSO LEVEL II</b>		
03	Gollapinni Nikhita	80
04	Shrayash Prasad	297
05	Stubh Lal	214
06	Simarpreet Singh Saluja	256
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> IEO LEVEL II</b>		
02	Yajur Mohan Sharma	314
<b>5<sup>th</sup> IMO LEVEL II</b>		
02	Hargun Singh	236
02	Yajur Mohan Sharma	400
02	Esha Gupta	447
03	Lakshay Sharma	433
04	Dhruv Agarwal	142
06	Simarpreet Singh Saluja	408
07	Vishu Gupta	328
<b>14<sup>th</sup> NSO LEVEL II</b>		
02	Yajur Mohan Sharma	41



## ***Skating away to the medal tally***

**Winners of Inter-School Roller Skating Championship**

**held at**

**Hari Nagar Sports Complex**

**on Saturday, 21 April 2012.**

<b>Participant</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Medal</b>
Jeev Sharma	II	Inline	<b>Gold</b>
Gaurav Arora	II	Quads	<b>Gold</b>
Garv lalwani	III	500 mts	<b>Gold</b>
Vamika Choudhary	IV	500 mts	<b>Gold</b>
Hitanshi Arora	IV	Quads	<b>Gold</b>
Harshul Gupta	V	Quads	<b>Gold</b>
Tizya	Prep	500 mtrs	<b>Silver</b>
Pranav	II	500 mtrs	<b>Silver</b>
Jeev Sharma	II	Quads	<b>Silver</b>
Gaurav Arora	II	Inline	<b>Silver</b>
Joshayat Singh	III	Inline	<b>Silver</b>
Hitanshi Arora	IV	Inline	<b>Silver</b>
Vanshit	V	Inline	<b>Silver</b>
Angad Singh	I	Inline	<b>Bronze</b>
Ashmeet Singh	I	Inline	<b>Bronze</b>
Rehaan	I	Inline	<b>Bronze</b>
Devansh	II	Inline	<b>Bronze</b>
Abeer	II	Inline	<b>Bronze</b>
Aarusi Bhasin	V	Inline	<b>Bronze</b>
Sayam Gupta	VI	Inline	<b>Bronze</b>

***Skaters continue to show supremacy***

**Winners of 39th Delhi State Open Roller Sports Championship 2012**  
**held at D.D.A. Sports Complex Pitampura**  
**from 12-14 April, 2012**

Participant	Class	Event	Medal
Harshul Gupta	V	1000 Mtrs	<b>Gold</b>
		300 Mtrs	<b>Bronze</b>
		500 Mtrs	<b>Bronze</b>
Aarushi Bhasin	V	1000 Mtrs	<b>Silver</b>
		500 Mtrs	<b>Bronze</b>
		300 Mtrs	<b>Bronze</b>

The students continued their endeavours to achieve proficiency in their chosen field. Their stupendous performance as toppers at the school level deserves a merit.

Here's a purview:

## ***2<sup>nd</sup> International English Olympiad***

Class	Name of the student
1	Vitul Bhatia
2	Yajur Mohan Sharma
3	Shrey Arora
4	Anshika Bhatnagar
5	Stubh Lal
6	Devanshee Sharma
7	Chakshu Khanna
8	Pranjal Agrawal
9	Garvit Khera



## ***EARTH DAY Celebrations – 2012***

*"We have forgotten how to be good guests, how to walk lightly on the earth as its other creatures do."*

And to once again make us realize the importance of having a healthy earth, the students of classes II-V at SVIS participated in a plethora of activities being organized for them to celebrate the Earth Day during the week ending 21 April 2012.





## Better Earth, Better Life, Better Tomorrow

This was the motto of the first activity – a Special Assembly presented by Class IV on April 16, 2012– to begin the week long earth day celebrations. Earth Day is a perfect time to reflect about what we are doing to help protect the environment. Keeping this in view, we at SVIS used this day as a powerful catalyst to involve the future citizens of our country, the young minds, in making a difference towards a healthy, prosperous and sustainable future and to spread the message among the masses.

The assembly started by presenting a beautiful thought:

*“Only when the last tree has been cut,  
the last river has been poisoned  
and the last fish been caught will we realize  
we cannot eat money.”*

Thereafter a small skit was presented showcasing the earth that appeared many years ago which was happy, had lush green land and had no sign of pollution or global warming.

The present day earth, was beautifully depicted by a classical dance form. It reflected the painful plight of our mother earth being suffocated and dying because of global warming and pollution.

Then the students came on stage explaining the measures that can be taken to conserve our dear mother earth followed by a short poem recited by the class.

The assembly concluded by praying to the almighty for the world around us. The Principal congratulated “**THE GREEN CRUSADERS**” for their wonderful effort to convey the message of conservation and preservation of Environment as well as our mother Earth.



## ***Hands on activities commemorating Earth Day***

*Recycling! Recycling!*  
*It's something that we all ought to do!*  
*Recycling! Recycling!*  
*You have the power to reduce and reuse.*  
*If you're finished with that bottle,*  
*don't throw it away*  
*We'll find a way to reuse it some other day.*

*Dear Lord, thank you  
for making such a  
beautiful place for us  
to live in.*

*Thank you for the  
plants and animals  
that give us food.  
And for the land that  
gives us materials to  
make things from.  
Help us not to waste  
these things you have  
given us.*

The above jingle was brought to life when class II students made colourful carry bags from old newspapers as a part of their weekly activities. Class III students showed their creativity by making collage on different environmental issues. Thought provokers were penned by the budding artists of Std IV. The students of Class V hummed their love for Mother Earth.



## ***Greenpeace Programme on April 4, 2012***

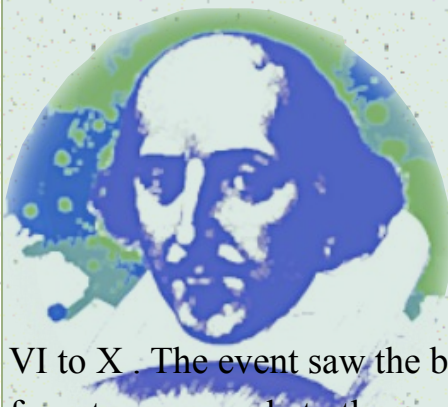
Forests are disappearing at an alarming rate! Saving the forests is not going to be easy without the efforts of people, children and the government. We need to ensure that forests and their wildlife survive for our future generations to appreciate, enjoy, and benefit from.

‘Greenpeace’ sensitized students of classes 5 & 6 of our School towards the issue of ‘Save the Forests’ on April 4, 2012. An interactive session with the mascots of ‘Junglistan’ - ‘Sheru’ and ‘Bhalu’ was held wherein the students were encouraged to adopt the four **R’s-Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Respect** to save and minimize damage to the environment. Various initiatives to save the forests were highlighted through videos and power point presentations of the campaigns undertaken by **Greenpeace** across the globe. Each student of SVIS has been empowered to be the ‘Citizen of Junglistan’ with a passport and ‘save the forest’ merchandise like caps, badges, bags, stickers etc.



To show support to the cause, the 'SVIS Citizens of Junglistan' have registered themselves with 'Greenpeace' and have pledged to save the forests by following the simple steps **TREES:**

- **T**each others about the importance of the environment and how they can help save forests.
- **R**estore damaged ecosystems by planting trees where forests have been cut down.
- **E**ncourage people to live in a way that doesn't hurt the environment.
- **E**stablish parks to protect forests and wildlife.
- **S**upport companies that operate in ways that minimize damage to the environment.



## Shakespeare Day



It was celebrated on April 21, 2011 by the students of classes VI to X. The event saw the budding theatrical aspirations of Sri Venkateswarites getting a platform to pay an ode to the great bard. The event commenced with a documentary on the prolific writer. Thereafter the dramatisation of 'Macbeth' and 'Comedy of Errors' by the Eighth standard aptly brought to the fore the creative genius of the writer. The Ninth standard gave their

rendition of 'Julius Caesar' and 'The Seven Ages'. The PPTs and the props added to the stage presence of the characters.

The annual event provides a unique opportunity to the young learners to explore the known and unknown tenets created by the great writer.





# Project Akshar (SIFE)



Muskan Lather and Shariene Manral of the **SVIS Eco Club** attended the SIFE S.S.C.B.S. Annual Convention, on April 12, 2012 along with their Eco Club teacher Ms. Jyoti Chhikara. SIFE S.S.C.B.S. is leading the ‘**Sanitation Solutions**’ and ‘**Project Akshar**’.

**Project Akshar** has a segment of ‘**School Leader’s Programme**’ that provides a platform for the students to work for the underprivileged and the environment simultaneously which is supported by **Connect 2 Gurukul**. The issues sensitizing the masses towards reduction of carbon footprints were:

**Reuse and Recycle** the one sided used as well as fully used sheets,

**Creating** entrepreneurial opportunities for the underprivileged by imparting book binding skills to them to create low cost eco-friendly notebooks and

**Empowering** rural and slum children by providing them with affordable, accessible, and acceptable educational tools.

A SLP kit was also presented to the collaborating schools (Carmel Convent, Bal Bharati Public School- Gangaram & Pitamputra, Indian Heights, St. Marks, Dwarka International, DAV and Sri Venkateshwar International School). The meet ended with the collage making on social and environmental issues and discussion by the concerned team on the same. SVIS team members Muskan and Shariene explained the collage on the topic ‘**Shortage of water**’ in an impactful manner.

It was indeed an inspirational meet and an opportunity for SVIS Eco Club team to show their potential towards environmental issues and their contribution for Project Akshar.



# Creatica

Prize winning entry

*How can you make your mother smile?*

Mishthi Jain  
IX Strawberries

*The most primitive reminiscences of my mother would have to be her smile. I remember so deeply after each conversation we shared the gloss of her pearly white teeth. I must say that it's a 😊 great honour when I hear people say that I have a beautiful smile, I always answer back that I got it from my mother.*

*There are many memories when I deliberately try to make my mother smile. When my mother smiles I feel like I am in heaven and especially when it's because of me. My mother is a dedicated woman. Her inspiration and devotion has always moved me.*

*To make my mother smile I need not accomplish many complex things, just what I have to do is take care of tiny little things like keep my room neat and clean, eat healthy, study and pray regularly, finish my school lunch. She also smiles when I praise her delicious food which is actually very delicious. When in the evening my mother comes back home after working the whole day long, she looks very exhausted. So, I quickly make and serve her with a cup of hot tea and some snacks. At that point of time the cute little smile that appears on her face makes me feel so happy and when she hugs me firmly, I feel like I am on cloud nine. Her smile can happen in a flash, but its memory can last a lifetime. An incidence I remember is when one day my mother was not feeling well and the doctor had advised her to take rest and she was continuously insisting to get up because she was worried about her duties towards the family, I consoled her and assured her that now I will watch over the family. A huge smile locked her face when she saw that I was looking after my younger sister and with the help of my grandmother, I quickly completed all the tasks. Her selfless acts promotes love, kindness, understanding and action throughout a world, which was desperate for someone who cared. I love my mother a lot as well as her smile.*



# In Good Hands

*In the Hands of a good teacher*

*My classroom is a magical place.*

*In the Hands of a good teacher*

*There's a smile on each child's face.*

*In the Hands of a good teacher*

*Positive energy is everywhere.*

*In the Hands of a good teacher*

*There's a catalyst who is ignited*

*In the Hands of a Good Teacher*

*Desire and curiosity is nurtured*

*In the Hands of a Good Teacher*

*The enlightening Agenda is proactive.*

*In the Hands of a Good Teacher*

*Self-Management Skills are Modelled.*

*In the Hands of a Good Teacher*

*The Best of skill is Bottled.*

*In the Hands of a Good Teacher*

*Gifts and Talents are Refined.*

*In the Hands of a Good Teacher*

*The Willed Future is Designed.*

*I am fortunate to have not one but an entire set of*

*Good Teachers.*



**MANAV BAGGA**

VII Strawberries



# Time Run

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erceptions...

All people say that a time machine is all fantasy and non sense and is of no use, I wish that it was real so everyone could see the changes which are caused by them on earth which aren't good. Each and every harm done to our poor old mother Earth. Recently we realised that the changes of global warming will start turning irreversible . In the past it was good that there were no cars and only some people could afford it but nowadays each and everyone possesses one. Ten people going to the same place don't prefer car pool but individual cars. If they go to the future they would see nothing but the earth as it began , like a ball of fire and not with trees and living things . In the end I would just say

**"If not earth, Where ? If not now , When ?If not us,Who ?"**

**Rishabh Verma (VIII –Raspberries)**

# Cellphones

We children keep pestering our parents for cellphones as we feel that without this gadget in our hands we shall be counted amongst the uncivilized slothy caveman . So the desire to be a cool dude gives the courage to demand for a mobile . One starts doubting their love if they refuse.

But let me tell you my friends , their refusal is not without a reason. Children are oblivious to the threat it may pose to their health. It's being said that too much use of mobile can lead to cancer, brain damage etc. A research proves that small children should be allowed to use it only for a limited time. A cell phone is an object of utility & ought to be utilised but if misused , it can prove to be hazardous . So instead of wishing for magnanimous parents , we should thank God for giving us intelligent parents. Who will always do things for our welfare.

**Aditya Banerji** (X Raspberries )



*Once again the wheels of motion have set in exhorting each Venkateshwarite to continue and strife to achieve their potential. The month was just a beginning to the prelude of the events to follow. May the spirit of reaching beyond cogitate in their minds...*