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DECODING NEP

NEP- National Education Policy –A policy designed to empower 21st generation students. The inherent base of policy has **INDIA AT IT'S CORE**. It is set in Indian Context focusing on two elements-India centric and student centric. It talks about 21st century aspirations which are grounded to your own roots.

Teaching does not ensure learning. An age appropriate environment when created, creates need to learn and develops interest in child. Aiming at this, flexible, multi disciplinary, holistic, near to best practices in global education, the policy is designed. The key thrust behind the curriculum and pedagogical structure across all stage is to move away from traditional rote learning to critical thinking , interactive, flexible and informal learning .

At St. Xavier's most pointers are already incorporated in education structure. **The NEP resonates with Xavier's** pedagogy well. Literacy, Numeracy, Life skills, Value education and Child Centric approach is at heart of Xavier's calling. Our vision and mission at Xavier's is in sync and aligned with the policy.

Our **Motto Explore Engage Excel** promotes active pedagogical

development of core capacities, life skills, critical and higher order thinking skills. The transition at Xavier's will be seamless as no radical change is required to change curriculum to tailor our Xavierians.

Our focus is on process rather than product **and our Xavierians will be empowered in this learning journey to be responsible citizens and better human beings endowed with the value of head and heart.**

Sarika R Chopra
Headmistress



“Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow.”



“Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think.”



STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

HEADING TOWARDS NEW NORMAL



Social Distance
– our new
existence.

Eating home
cooked food to
have resistance.
Grateful that we

have the government and doctors’
assistance.

To support us in such tough
persistence.

Wearing protective and colourful
mask.

Washing hands time and again have
become our task.

Keep drinking hot water from the
flask,

Going out is the option that is last.

No handshake, only Namaste,

Nowadays, this is the only way.

I must still say, we need not to go too
far away,

Corona is around anyway.

But with online classes everyday,

Anytime it is a holiday.

Starting school with just a button,

Staying at home so strictly may make
everyone a glutton.

Catching up with the school friends,
we really miss.

Nevertheless, seeing our teacher’s
smile is a morning bliss.

This way we can combat the
pandemic.

Let’s plan our work week by week,

Beware, Corona is not a gimmick.

Together let’s make our life
systematic.

Sonakshi Sanyal (V–A)

HEADING TOWARDS THE NEW NORMAL



The Covid-19
pandemic has
unleashed changes
that seemed
unthinkable just
few months back.

It’s interesting to
wonder when things will return to

normal, but the fact is that they won’t
– not the old normal anyway but we
are heading towards a new normal.

Online education is the new norm and
created revolution in the education
sector. Some educational institutes
such as training/coaching centers may
continue using the same platform
since they find it more productive and
time saving.

Nowadays use of technology has
increased immensely in normal
routine and operational activities as
well as playing key role in future
roadmaps of various sectors.

Returning to our normal life is
challenging. But, it is a reality that we
have started to accept the new normal
way of living.

Shivam Zakhmi (VI-B)

HEADING TOWARDS THE NEW NORMAL

Over the past few months, I have



learned that
adjusting to
change can be
challenging,
whether it is
planned or
unplanned.

In this pandemic situation, I’ve
experienced an unexpected change in
my life. I’ve never thought that toilet
paper could be as precious as gold,
and now a trip to the mall or park
seems like an adventure of its own.

I used to go to class early and return to
home late. Now online classes happen,
and I get the classes done early. In
this new normal the one thing that I
find difficult is that when we go
outside the house, we must sanitize
our hands regularly. Going to birthday
parties and school trips is a dream.

Rachel Khatwa (IV-C)

GOOD OLD SCHOOL DAYS



How I miss my
good old days
of school,
Corona has
made us all a
fool.

Online is the

new school,

With the mouse as a writing tool,
And the monitor as the notebook; “the
new cool”.

With keys like the friends’ pool,

And speaker bringing madam’s
whirlpool of rules.

For sports I can’t help but drool,

Oh! Let’s not daydream and go back
to virtual exam’s spool.

Every answer is a click away,

Learning daily different ways.

SUBMIT becoming favourite day by
day,

Let’s pray corona gets over right
away.

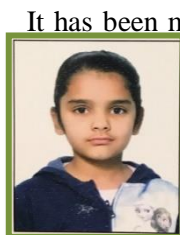
Oh! How much I miss my old school
days,

Will leave virtual one day at bay,

Going back to school will make me
happy and gay.

Divyansh Singh Bansal (V –A)

HEADING TOWARDS THE NEW NORMAL



It has been more than six months that
we are not going to
the school due to
corona virus
outbreak. All the
classes and exams
have been
conducted online. Our parents are also
working from home. I think that
corona virus will change our life in

many ways. First of all, everyone has become more aware about hygiene. People wear masks and wash hands regularly. People seldom go out for eating. Many people are doing yoga and other exercises at home. Many elders who never used mobiles in their life are now doing regular online shopping and using social media

Aanya Vaid (III-A)

हिंदी दिवस



जन जन की आशा
है हिन्दी,
भारत की भाषा है
हिन्दी।
हिन्दी का सम्मान
करें,

दुनिया भर में नाम करें।
चर्वी जोशी(कक्षा- १G)

VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE.... A BETTER LEARNING AND IMPLEMENTATION



Virtual class
gives us
(students) the
flexibility to
study on the
schedule that
works the best

for us. Instead of re-organizing lives around traditional education, online education allows the students to fit education into their lives.

Key benefits of virtual classes and examinations:

- **Increased convenience**

Without the time or location limitations as of a traditional classrooms, the students have the freedom to engage and absorb the content.

- **Immediate feedback on tests**

When you're enrolled in a virtual class you don't have to worry about waiting days for test results.

- **Knowledge Retention**

Online lessons for many deliver a more effective learning experience because of the fun and short interactive sessions that can be paused and repeated if needed.

हिंदी दिवस



हर साल १४ सितम्बर को 'हिंदी दिवस'
मनाया जाता है।
वर्ष १९४९ में भारत
की संविधान सभा
ने देवनागरी लिपि
में लिखी गयी 'हिंदी

भाषा' को राजभाषा का दर्जा दिया था।
हिंदी भाषा विश्व के ४था स्थान पे मानी
जाती है। हिंदी भाषा के सम्मान में स्कूल
और कॉलेजों में अनेक कार्यक्रम मनाये
जाते हैं। स्कूल के अध्यापक /
अध्यापिकाएँ को सदर प्रणाम जो हिंदी
भाषा का ज्ञान हमें देते हैं। हिंदी दिवस पे
कबीर जी के एक बहुत ही प्रसिद्ध दोहा
प्रस्तुत है :

" गुरु गोविन्द दोनों खरे,

काके लागु पाए ?

बलिहारी गुरु अपने,

गोविन्द दियो बताये। "

कबीर जी भी इस दोहे द्वारा कह रहे हैं की
शिक्षा और ज्ञान देने वाला ईश्वर से भी बड़ा
है।

Johan Jambhulkar (II – C)

PARENT OUTLOOK

HEADING TOWARDS THE NEW NORMAL



The air feels
cleaner today,
The earth feels
less burdened,
The sky looks
brighter
Home feels

home.

We are more present to what is going on inside and around us. The New Normal made us feel more connected to our self and to the people around. Today, we see all of us as ME.

The New Normal is here for a purpose. It is here to recognize the connection we have with ourselves and with the people around us.

It is here to tell us that we are ONE, we stand together as one and no matter how many varied opinions we may have, and we all are experiencing the same thing together at the same time.

The New Normal is here to help us face our hidden suppressed fears, doubts, anger, guilt, blames, judgments and more. And it will ensure we touch these emotions deep down. We may want to deny it and we may try our best. But, yes, it will touch us.

The New Normal is making us understand the importance of food, the basic elements. It is making us value what earth has been providing is for free while we queue up at the departmental stores to buy processed, fancy ingredient list of items. It has made us value the Mother Earth- the way we never did.

The New Normal is going to leave us healthier physically, emotionally and mentally no matter how fearful or caged we may feel. The New Normal is helping us to recognize being the love that we are.

Garima Sobti (parent of Vihaan Grover)

THE NEW NORMAL



The whole world came to a standstill,
When everybody started getting ill.

A monster outside,

tinier than your cells,

It can make your breathing as hell,

If it enters your body, it creates a havoc,

Coughing and sneezing round the clock.

Where we used to stop and meet,

We all are now distanced by 6 feet.

We may be young or old,

But we all must be bold.

No child plays in the park,

Nobody opens the door,

Except for grocery and stock.

If you have to go outside, think twice,

Wear your mask, be wise.

After returning home, sanitize,

Wash your hands at least twice.

COVID-19 is the monster's name,

It is playing hide and seek game.

By following the rules, we can end its game.

Mrs. Tarundeep Kaur
mother of Anvi Nehra(1-G)

हिंदी दिवस के सम्मान में एक कविता।

हिंदी है राज भाषा हिंदुस्तान की।
ये बहुत ही मीठी है प्यारी है, और लगती है
अपने पहचान की।



ऐसे तो हमें अंग्रेजी भी आती है, पर हिंदी बोले तो लगता है
अपने आन बान और शान की।

हमें अपनी हिंदी भाषा महसूस कराती है,
यहाँ की मिटटी है अभिमान की।
विदेशों में भी हिंदी की बोलबाला है, और
ये बातें है आत्मसम्मान की।
हिंदी हमारे पूर्वजों की धरोहर है, और याद
दिलाती है अंग्रेजों से आज़ादी के लिए
उनके बलिदान की।

याद दिलाती है, उन महापुरुषों की जो
हिंदी और हिंदुस्तान के लिए बाज़ी लगा दी
अपने जान की।

अंग्रेजी को हमारी कमजोरी नहीं बनानी है,
हिंदी को अपनाये ये आग्रह है अपने देश
के हर एक संतान की।

पूरे विश्व में हिंदी का डंका बजाना है, और
गर्व से कहना है हम बच्चे है भारत देश
महान की।

Vijay Kumar (Father of Divyanka - II-D)

HEADING TOWARDS THE NEW NORMAL

The world is facing humanity's biggest crisis since World War II. Almost every country has been affected by the devastating Coronavirus disease



(COVID-19). Till date, over 1.5 million people had been affected by

COVID-19 and about 80,000 people had died worldwide.

The 'New Normal' – is a latest trending phrase and heading towards it is a contemporary postpartum experience. Irony is as we are entering into phase 3 of this pandemic Covid-19, Unlock 4 has been announced where life seems to be at normalcy.

India's prowess in pharmaceuticals and health science, mass public awareness with the help of digital systems has helped sustainability event during this global pandemic challenge.

The ravaging condition of the economic foundations of world trade is the driving force for each stage of Unlock.

There are disruptions in global trade, travel-tourism, fall in Indian rupee is not remote.

However, countries shall undertake reform to strengthen the digital economy and e-commerce not only to manage the pandemic but also to facilitate trade.

While lockdown is essential, prolonged isolation is not the ideal solution. Thus, sectors like education, industries performing with new trade standards and certifications, e-commerce – nothing will really stop!

COVID-19 crisis also provides opportunities. Countries may witness better healthcare – both management and facilities. New social and behavioural norms – 'social distancing', 'wearing masks', 'maintaining hygiene', etc., are the new normal.

Rich lessons to learn from COVID-affected countries – manage to control the devastation with the help of rapid tests, targeted solutions and digital technology.

Ms. Lynette Maqbul
Mother of Johan Jambhulkar(II-C)

LIFE UNDER LOCKDOWN

Lockdown as a result of this pandemic has given an opportunity to the humans to see the other side of the world being ignored, and people started

noticing it as much more beautiful than thought. Humans started appreciating the mother nature which they haven't got a chance to notice in their much busier artificial lives.

Now the people's vision has changed appreciating every small thing in nature which comes their way. Now they started noticing that human beings have occupied the share of other animals and birds as well, with animals and birds started dwelling into urban areas made them realize the exploitation they were causing to them. Hope we realize the importance of other creatures as well.

Takeaway# Respect Mother Nature and don't exploit it. We share this World, don't own it.

It's all the part of everyone's life and it's where we need to act with ICE in our head.

Yes, it's difficult but not impossible...making it entertain all depends upon our actions.

Do it for yourself, do it for others...

Diksha Agarwal

TEACHER'S REFLECTION

DO THE IMPOSSIBLE



India witnessed the biggest lockdown of the people in the world, you're about to be shut in. Have you

stocked the fridge? Are you working from home? The kids are bouncing around the house.... It's impossible to live under a lockdown....Online classes....no household help.....no get together....no restaurants.....masks are uncomfortable...we are counting down the days until we can hug our friends, throw a party, and board an airplane....at the first go all this seemed impossible....

I recently stumbled upon a quote by Mandy Hale — “When you find yourself cocooned in isolation and cannot find your way out of darkness, remember that this is similar to the place where caterpillars go to grow their wings.”

Every time I find myself fidgeting, I remind myself of all the instances when I wished for more time. Time to make lemonade out of life's lemons. And, when you have an unprecedented time at home staring at you, take it one day at a time. Instead of getting bogged down by the thought, take each of those days as an opportunity to build new skills, explore hobbies and do things you've always wanted to.

We are all faced with a series of great opportunities brilliantly disguised as *impossible* situations. I conclude by saying the difference between *impossible* and the possible lies in a man's determination.

Natasha Chopra
(English Facilitator)

HOMEBASED E- TEACHING- COUNTRY UNDER LOCKDOWN, NOT OUR TEACHING!

Dear Readers

The dawn of the New Year 2020 has seen the outbreak of the global pandemic, Covid-19. The Coronavirus has brought many challenges before



us. It is how we rise to the challenge, analyse the situation, rethink our strategies which define our perspective.

I truly believe 'Necessity is the mother of invention'. In retrospect to the Covid crisis, an opportunity has been unfolded to usher in a new era of learning that is Online Teaching.

I gracefully accept that it was a challenge for the teaching fraternity to conduct Virtual Classes, so do for me.

I still remember exploring the new virtual platform, getting trained and training our learners. O yes!

Teachers in the room of 'ALL THE TIME OBSERVATION AND JUDGEMENT' is again a positive factor to let us reach our full potential.

I express my feelings with a short self-composed poem.

Announcement of lockdown,
We, teachers, never put our foot
down.

Juggling and struggling for E-
teaching,

We have to do- this is what was
echoing.

Bandwidth, systems, speakers,
Were never thought to be our
saviours,

As a teacher under the observation
I just focused on my passion and
determination

My camera is my face,
My students are learning with the
same pace,

We are sailing in the ocean of
education,

with much ease and grace
Hope we will be back in our own
school quite soon,

Spending time with my students till 2
noon.

SAPNA (English Facilitator)

GLIMPSES OF SPECTACULAR

PRE-PRIMARY

XAVENIUM' 20

"Do the Impossible"

When you define a goal, remember that you have the power to realize it. It comes with planning, hard work, strategy and the will to make it happen.



Our renowned Inter School Competition "Xavenium" that gives its participants a broader platform to showcase their talent was held with much enthusiasm. The theme for "Xavenium'20 Virtuals" was "DO THE IMPOSSIBLE". The physical constraints that everyone is facing due to this pandemic could not deter the children from putting their best foot forward.

It was overwhelming to see the number of participants that came forward from each school and the efforts that they had put in. Their zeal was evident in their performance.

The Pre-Primary section had 2 categories –
Solo Dance competition "Groovy Moovy" and **Book Mark making competition "Clip N Snip"**.



Our kids made us proud, performing brilliantly and proved that "If there is a **"WILL"**, there is a **"WAY"**". Our kids have not only added another feather to their cap, but they have truly satisfied our "Xavenium'20" theme – **"DO THE IMPOSSIBLE"**.

ACTIVITY BASED LEARNING

You don't learn to walk by following rules, you learn by doing and by falling over.

We, at Xavier's believe that the best way to learn is by actually doing it. Since the children today are active learners rather than passive recipients of information, Activity-based learning is the most practical way to instill learning with a range of pedagogical approaches of teaching.



The core premises here is to base learning on hands-on experiments and activities. If the child is provided an opportunity to explore, the learning process becomes more joyful and impactful in longer runs. Keeping the child at the center, at Xavier's we help children to develop self-learning skill and allow them to study as per their interests.



We teach them numbers, alphabets, sight words, environmental concepts through a wide array of activities like songs, drawings, rhymes, role-plays, crafts etc. We firmly believe in providing an environment where children feel free to express themselves and share their ideas openly. Also, we promote self-paced learning, which means even if the child is absent for a day, they can continue from where they left off with the guidance of teachers.



With pleasure, we share here some glimpses of the activities done by the teachers during the session. The happiness and enthusiasm of the children is evident in the pictures; we gladly wish to continue the journey of learning and putting it into practice every single day.

PRE-PRIMARY WEBINARS: MAKING IDEAS HAPPEN

St. Xavier's High School, Sector 81, curated effective and engaging live webinars on our official Facebook page where viewers were able to form connections and motivate positive change in their lifestyles through the tips and strategies shared by experts from the comfort of their homes.



While the global pandemic took the world by storm and forced people to work from home, it was equally important to reprogram and refresh our minds to adapt the new normal.



The little Xaverians from Pre-Primary wing joined our panelists Live on Facebook speaking confidently and compelling narratives which established a connection with our viewers.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS: CONSTRUCTING ROAD TOWARDS SUCCESS

Parent Teacher Meets are an occasion to create a common platform, where teacher and parents come together with a common interest, which is to enrich the student's educational adventure and discuss variety of issues, regarding an expansive development of students.



Our school showed resilience by conducting online PTM to address the concerns and suggestions of the parents and students of Pre-primary classes. All the parents eagerly participated in these PTMs and appreciated the efforts of the school. The interactions with the parents were significantly fulfilling as we together looked into a wider spectrum of all the possibilities which chiefly concern the best interest of our students.

It is definitely a motivation for all of us to see how far we have come since the first PTM, that there is no doubt how far we can go.

SPECIAL DAYS CELEBRATION: CREATIVE REWORKING

Celebrating events and festivals in schools have become an integral part of learning and building a strong cultural belief in a child. Culture is a strong binding force in societies and every individual is rooted in a culture

that influences his/her life style and attitude towards life.



In Xavier's, we train students' right from childhood to experience various cultures through the celebration of all religious festivals, children will remember an important day only if they are told what the occasion signify, making them aware of the world in a more fun way.



The events and festivals organized at St. Xavier's are often celebrated with great pomp and gaiety. Such celebration will bring students closer to traditional and cultural belief.



Being a diverse country, the students need to know what each festival means, and it is only through this celebration, he/she will get to know more about our country. Keeping our values intact, we wish to offer the right kind of educational system which is based on moral ethics.

VIRTUAL COMPETITIONS: SUCCESS GALORE

“Children are naturally creative. It is our job to give them the freedom, materials and space to let their creativity blossom to its full potential”- Jean Vant Hul



While we all are missing being together in a physical classroom, we are constantly connecting virtually and cheering up our children. We strongly believe that emotional, social and physical developments have an equally important role to play in a child's life. With this thought, we conducted competitions to motivate the children and give them a chance to be interactive and creative even when at home. “Solo Dance Competition” and “Recitation Competition” were held on 17th August, 2020.

Children love to express their innocent emotions by dancing. Poetry encourages kids to play with language and words. Both the activities were chosen considering the holistic development of a child.



The children were ecstatic while they watched their classmates perform. It enlightened the children with the idea of a healthy sense of competition. There are multiple benefits of such competitions, such as physical fitness and high self-confidence. They also enhance creative self-expression. Our task, regarding creativity, is to just guide the children to climb their own mountains, as high as possible.



These activities also allowed parents to spend some quality time with their children and make their special bond stronger. The enthusiastic virtual participation has made our belief stronger that kids can adapt to any situation with ease. They just need the right direction. Such interactive and enjoyable sessions will continue to be a part of our classroom journey in the times ahead.

VIRTUAL TOURS: CREATION OF LEARNING

**Just education is not enough...
Children must have sunshine,
freedom and something to explore
with every new day.**

With the thought of giving something exciting to children along with regular routine day, what could be better than a 360-degree virtual tour? The excitement and inquisitiveness in children brought a smile on their faces.

Children of Pre-Nursery, Nursery and Kindergarten used their imagination to take a pretend trip to ‘The Heritage

Transport Museum.’ What a fun outing it was!



The museum showcases the expedition of Indian car industry, as well as the cars that have been used in India since the advent of motoring. Children were ecstatic to see Vintage and Classic cars on display, representing a rich journey of the changing times in the Indian automobile industry.

The younger ones of Nursery also took a virtual ride to see a buzzing metropolis Capital city of India - Delhi and Gurugram with some of its major attractions like India Gate, Red Fort, Qutub Minar, Ambience Mall, Nevernuf Garden Railways, Kingdom of Dreams, Fun and Food Village, etc. Children were enthralled by the virtual city tour, as it was visible from different angles for a superior view.



We may all be grounded for now, but thanks to the miracle of technology, we can tour the world from pretty much anywhere. Virtual tour gave our tiny tots an irreplaceable experience of bringing the outside world into their homes.

EXPOSITION OF IMPRESSIVE PRIMARY

ACTIVITY BASED LEARNING: THE LIFE LONG LEARNING PROCESS

The times are changing. It's the new normal each one of us is internalizing amazingly. No physical schools, but learning flowing inhibited for Xavierians. The learning which is lifelong, engaging, child centered, explorative, etc. eventually heading to a strong foundation of conceptual understanding.



The COVID-19 pandemic has caught us in the midst of our lives and has forced us to adapt to the new norm. One of the most challenging 'new norm' is the restriction on the number of people gathering in one place at the same time, thus adding a huge question mark on ways to celebrate various special milestone socio-cultural or historic occasions, which are traditionally and historically celebrated in a grand way.

With schools shut due to the pandemic, celebrations have shifted online, with all kinds of events —

ranging from cultural performances to debates — being planned digitally.

Xavierians too celebrated the rich culture and traditions, with utmost vigor and grandeur.



The celebrations have moved to a virtual platform with unique and creative ways to commemorate the special occasions.

If we have a glimpse into the virtual classrooms we would witness the most excited and engaged students; enjoying learning through hands on activities and upholding the school motto 'EXPLORE ENGAGE EXCEL' in these changing times as well.

SPECIAL DAYS: MOVING TOWARDS AUTHENTIC LEARNING

GANESH CHATURTHI

One should never forget the importance of culture, tradition and significance of celebrating festivals. To enable Xavierians get soaked in the hues of the colourful festival, Ganesh Chaturthi, various engaging activities were organised for students.



By being creative, imaginative and explorative, students did stupendously in the activities and celebrated the festival with much fervour and gaiety. The activities were taken in high spirits by the students and it seemed it truly reenergized the body, mind and spirit of the children. The celebration was very insightful and enjoyable for all.



GURUPURNIMA CELEBRATION

Xavierians imbibed the energy and connected with their gurus soulfully on Gurupurnima. The auspicious occasion was celebrated through a special assembly conducted virtually with students on July 03, 2020.



In the life of a disciple, the Guru holds supreme importance, realizing this value the students poured in with their heartfelt feelings for their gurus, through confident presentations in the form of poems and speeches. The efforts to obtain the grace of their guru were booming achieved. The children showed their honest gratitude for their gurus through their profound words.

The day of pinnacle of gratitude to the master could not be better achieved than Xavierians spreading smiles around on this day, right from their parents, their teachers and everybody they feel grateful for.

JANMASHTAMI

The auspicious day is here. It's time to rock the cradle, song lullabies and pamper Bal Gopal as Shri Krishna.



Janmashtami is a day that fills our life with positivity, peace and harmony. This day of attainment of bliss and elation was celebrated with much fervour and gaiety by Xavierians on August 11, 2020.



MALALA DAY

The UN has designated July 12, which is Yousafzai's birthday, Malala Day in honor of the young woman who has been a prominent activist for female education since her early teens. As a young girl, Malala Yousafzai was not allowed to go to school. But she refused to stay home and spoke out for

education and was almost killed for standing up for her beliefs. To this day, Malala continues to work to ensure that every girl around the world has the chance to go to school.



The day of such courage and honour was revered in high spirits by Xavierians on July 10, 2020. The special assembly encompassing confident speeches and presentations by children and videos were shown to enlighten and aware them about the significance of the day.

The enthusiastic celebration of the day waged a glorious struggle against illiteracy, poverty and terrorism and well served the high ideals put forth by Malala Yousafzai, 'Let us pick up our books and our pens, they are the most powerful weapons. One child, one teacher, one book and one pen can change the world. Education is the only solution.'

RAKHI CELEBRATION

The word celebration brings a smile of anyone's face. Yes, it was a joyous day for Xavierians who came together

virtually to celebrate the sibling love on July 30, 2020.



The day was packed with fun, thrill, excitement, enjoyment and plethora of activities like card making, thali decoration, rakhi making etc.

The day gave a vent to sharpen aesthetic, creative, oratory and many other life skills. It was a jolly break from the regular routine aimed to incorporate the significance of the festivals and celebration.



Presentations were shared with students to enlighten them with the true meaning and significance of the day's celebrations. The times have

changed, so have the way we celebrate but what remains unchanged is the spirit and zeal of Xavierians.

THEME PARTY - RAIN AND RAINBOW – BEAUTIFUL HUES OF NATURE'

It's the monsoon season, we all have reason to be happy and cheerful and drive the blues away. Xavierians of grade I also got a reason to celebrate the rains with their classmates in the virtual class party organized on July 24, 2020.



A fun filled party was organized that brought the joy back on the cute little faces and students in full zest and zeal dressed up in clothes of rainbow colours and were all prepped up with props and food to add rainbow hues to their virtual class party.



The day was perfect to greet monsoon season and perk up the mood.

FASHION SHOW

An interactive classroom where the kids are actively involved in their learning process was an amazing scene to be witnessed in Grade II of St. Xavier's High School, Sector 81.

The students walked the ramp virtually in a fashion show to learn about different types of fabrics and clothing. The activity raised the interest, knowledge, spirit, expression and enthusiasm in children towards learning.

The activity reiterated the fact that virtually also, what students do and learn is more important.



INTER HOUSE COMPETITIONS: CHRONICLES OF SUCCESS

Inter House Competitions namely, Character Portrayal for grades I – IV, Debate for grades V – VII and quiz for grades VIII and IX were conducted with the aim to hone the

skills and to encourage and motivate students to embrace this new normal.



The character portrayal activity turned out to be really fantastic scaffolding the oratory skills of students. The activity raised the morale of students and generated immense excitement and enthusiasm.



The debate and the quiz topics 'MADE IN CHINA: BOYCOTT OR SUPPORT' and 'INDO – CHINA CONVERSE' respectively were decided based on the prevailing situation in the nation, which were

confidently presented and attempted by the students based on intense research and reading of well curated sources. Inter House Debate and Quiz Competitions were a great initiative which encouraged children to read about different aspects of the Indian Economy. The students moved ahead with the controversial topic with full zeal putting their arguments, counter arguments, rebuttal etc.

Quiz was another activity aiming to encourage students to exercise their brains and maintain the spirit of education.

The competitions created an optimistic approach towards team effort and motivation and eventually strengthened the relationships and collaborations during these hard times.



INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS:

Virtual Inter School Competition is another enviable milestone achieved by Xavierians.

The young, ignited minds explored and discovered their innate talents and made the school immensely proud with their distinguished achievements.



Students earned laurels & accolades for the school by winning coveted positions in different competitions in various schools.



The Xavier's fraternity and School Management congratulate the winners for their stellar performance in all the events.

- Anwesha Upadhyay of Grade I bagged Jury Award in Poetry Out Aloud at Manav Rachna Faridabad.
- Harakh Vaghela of Grade IV bagged Third Position in Mask Making at Manav Rachna, Faridabad.
- Saina Thakral of Grade III bagged Third Position in Flag Fork and Flowers at Mantha School, Noida.

- Jivika Sharma of Grade IX bagged First Position in The Voices Deserve to be Head Again at Matha School, Noida.
- Shiven Pathak of Grade V bagged Third Position in Math Quiz at Manaskriti School, Faridabad.
- Arnav Singh of Grade III bagged Fourth Position in Math Quiz at Manaskriti School, Faridabad
- Sanvi Bhan of Grade I bagged Third Position in Poem Recitation at Xavenium 2020.
- Saisha Patnaik of Grade III bagged Third Position in Poem Recitation at Xavenium 2020.
- Trisha Pandit of Grade V bagged Second Position in Talking Titans at Shalom Group of Schools, Gurugram.
- Avi Singh Bindra of Grade VII bagged First Position in Let Music Evolve at Shalom Group of Schools, Gurugram

WEBINARS: INTENSIVE AND CRITICAL MASTERMIND

‘With the unimaginable, comes inspiration, the strength and grace to keep going and take tomorrow as it comes.’



Xavierians cordially invited the family to choose hope and faith over fear and live life with the right attitude brimming with optimism and gratitude, by going live on Facebook; conducted webinars on various topics like Independence Day, Teacher's Day, Artistic Skills etc. involving eminent personalities, revered parents and confident Xavierians which widened the horizons and learnt new ways to adapt to the new normal and eventually emerged as a real heroes.



MUN



The extra-curricular activities have always been vital for holistic development of students. Whether it is sports or dramatics or debating that interests children, it is very important for them to polish their skills along with their academics to be able to

stand apart in this dynamic and competitive world.

St. Xavier's High School, Sector 81, will be conducting Intra MUN, a 3 day programme by the Concord Collective team to provide knowledge and guidance to the students in a systematic manner focusing on core debating aspects- Lobbying, Researching and Public Speaking.



The aim is to create a pool of students who are confident and creative enough to distinguish themselves and create solutions which contribute positively to the society, by instilling in them the skill set required to succeed in the modern world.

The Intra MUN program utilises an application and logic based approach to teaching the desired concepts. This program aims at inculcating the skill of debating in the students along with establishing the knowledge base required to participate in Model UNs or even just have informed discussions.



The program covers different committees including - UN General Assembly, UN Human Rights Council, All India Political Parties Meet and Stakeholders Meet with unique agendas of discussion in each committee

XAVENIUM' 20

When you define a goal, remember that you have the power to realize it. It comes with planning, hard work, strategy and the will to make it happen."

In the era of digital devices, Xavierians captured the opportunity to better learning and skills with technology. Keeping this in mind, ST. XAVIER'S HIGH SCHOOL, GURUGRAM invited students of different schools for Xavenium '20 VIRTUALS, an Inter School Competition to have their tryst with world of new online era as Virtual reality seems to be the new normal.



The main purpose of the event was to provide a platform for budding creators and enthusiasts to display their creativity, talent and skills.

Xavenium '20 themed 'DO THE IMPOSSIBLE' was to sensitize all, that the time has come to view the world and our existence from a newer perspective and the survival is based on the perspective we will develop now.

Myriad activities honed the intrinsic and latent abilities in participants from different schools and helped them demonstrate their inherent talents and diverse facilities. It also promoted a feeling of friendly competition.

Eminent, experienced and erudite judges were invited to be a part of the panel of jury for different competitions.

It was breath - taking to see the range our children are capable of; from the deeply personal inner – focus needed for all the activities.

During these times, the enthusiastic and over whelming response of students was enough to keep the spirits high and to build positivity in everyone's life.

The competitions were held in a very fair way with talented judges. The prizes were awarded in the form of E - Certificates for first position, second position, third position and the overall winner school. The happiness of the winners surpassed all challenges of this turbulent time.

PARENT TEACHER MEETING: GREATEST SOURCE OF LEARNING

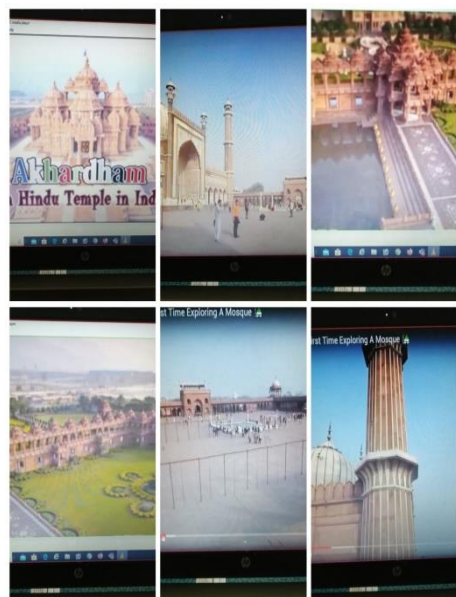
'An occasion to cement and strengthen the existing bond'

Parent- Teacher Meeting (PTM) is the most important event of the year. It gives teachers and parents, an opportunity to connect and bond for the benefit of their children.

It allows parents to express and discuss with the teacher, their concerns and hopes for their children's future. It is also an occasion for teachers to discuss the progress of their students.

With more and more of our daily communication taking place digitally rather than face to face, the PTM has also taken a leap and embraced the virtual platform.

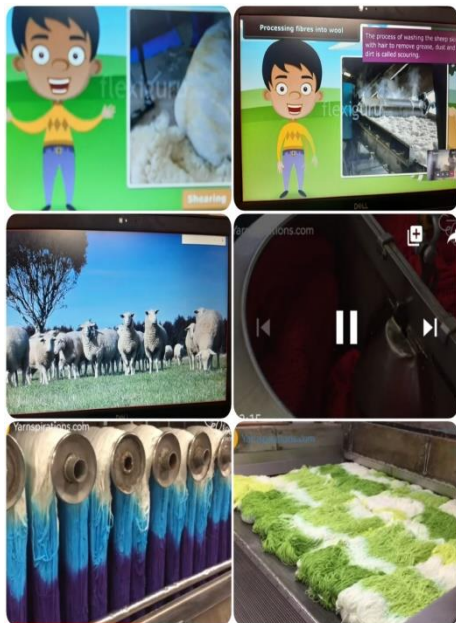
VIRTUAL TOURS



While your kids may be stuck inside physically, online tours still give them some access to the rest of the outside world. The same way schools have gone digital as well — class trips have moved online, too.



These virtual field trips organized for kids will have them gazing at cloth factory , learning about endangered species, discovering science, and even checking out what it's like in a cloth museum.



ACTION IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS

The best way to create a better future is to make the present worth it.

Shivam Zakhmi of Grade VI has made the present perfect and the school proud with his glorious achievement.



Enthralled to announce that Shivam Zakhmi of grade VI has been rewarded for his hard work and passion.

With his amazing creative writing skills, zeal and spark to do something, he has exhibited praise worthy accomplishment in National Writing Contest by Quill House.

As it is said that footprints on the sand are not made by sitting down. He worked hard and showed his footprints of success.

His writing would be published in a paperback book.

His perseverance, will power and confidence has made the Xavier's fraternity proud. This victory is merely a beginning of many more to come.

SPELLBEE

There is something fun about words. Spell Bee competitions, stimulate children intellectually and awaken their competitive spirit.



These are the foundation of our language skills. Even though there isn't a strong link between a word spelling and intelligence but spellings are essential to comprehend things.

Knowing spellings is that one skill which stays with us for our entire life. Spell Bee examinations are necessary to enhance a student's vocabulary and making him/her capable of putting across his/her thoughts more clearly with uninvited advice.

To foster lexical development which forms the basis of English language Crest Spell Bee, International Level Online Spelling Competition was held for the students of grades I to VIII.

GURUGRAM INNOVATORS

It is one of the greatest joys to accomplish what we hope and work for and sharing is the perfect way to honour and recognize an achievement.



Pleased to enlighten the 81 family with an impressive achievement of St. Xavier's High School, Sector 81 for mastering RANK II in Gurugram Innovators Category by Times of India.

It is the creativity, dedication and determination of the fraternity which has led us to this incredible milestone. Team spirit is the recipe for burgeoning and the our prosperous partnership has led to successful facilitation of the best educational experience for our children.