

INVESTITURE CEREMONY 2023 - 24

"Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality."

To honour excellence and celebrate success, to build a legacy that lasts and to empower the next generation of leaders – hugely evocative of what New Horizon Gurukul considers one of its *most important* events; the Investiture Ceremony.



कामक्रोधवियुक्तानां यतीनां यतचेतसाम् |
अभितो ब्रह्मनिर्वाणं वर्तते विदितात्मनाम् ||

kāma-krodha-vimuktānām yatinām yata-cetasām
abhito brahma-nīrvāṇam vartate viditātmanām

Bhagavad Gita - Chapter-5 text-26

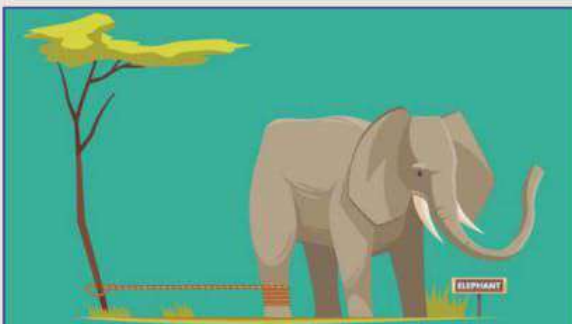
Those who are free from anger and all material desires, who are self-realized, self-disciplined and constantly endeavouring for perfection, are assured of liberation in the Supreme in the very near future.



The Investiture Ceremony conducted on 23rd June, 2023 in the school's quadrangle was the epitome of calibre and grandeur. The event was encompassed by the long-awaited march past and the pinning of the badges, thus vesting the responsibilities to the young leaders. The respected dignitaries anointed the school captains, vice captains, sports captains, school editors and cultural secretaries. Further, the house mistresses endowed the respective house leaders and house vice leaders. The young leaders from primary school were given responsibilities as well and were a part of the march past. An oath to the school to uphold its principal values and strive to be worthy of the position bestowed was taken by every leader. To conclude the auspicious ceremony, the school captain represented every student council member, making a promise to the school. This was followed by the esteemed principal's encouraging words of wisdom. The day ended with the proud faces of students, parents, and all the teachers who helped the students reach great heights.

Shivani Shankar, 12 C

EDUCARE - REKINDLE YOUR LATENT GOODNESS



Not bound by a rope, rather by its own belief. What about you?

A man was passing by the elephants in a circus when he stopped abruptly, wondering why these majestic creatures were bound by a small rope tied to their hind leg. It was obvious that the elephants could, at any time, break away from their predicament but for some reason, they did not. He saw a trainer nearby and asked why the elephants stood still without attempting to escape. "Well," the trainer said, "when they were very young and much smaller, we used the same size ropes to tie them and at that age, it was enough to hold them. As they grew up, they were conditioned to believe they couldn't break away. They believe the rope could still hold them, so they never tried to break free." The man was stunned. The elephants could have broken free at any point but because they believed they couldn't, they were stuck right where they were.

SAALUMARADA THIMMAKKA - THE GREEN CRUSADER



106-year-old environmentalist Saalumarada Thimmakka has made herself and India proud to such an extent that even the BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) knows her. The reason for her fame is that she has planted over 8,000 trees in 80 years. She has earned herself a spot in the prestigious list of BBCs 100 most influential women. She is the oldest woman on the list for planning the 8,000 trees to fill the void that had been left after she realized she could not bear children. She has also won the prestigious Padma Shri. Born in a poor family of Hulikal village in Magadi Taluk, Ramnagar, Karnataka, she never had the opportunity to go to school or have any kind of formal education. She was known by the name of Thimmakka during her childhood. She started working at an early age as a quarry labourer.

In 1928, she was married to Bikkala Chikkayya who was a labourer himself. After several years of marriage when the couple could not have any children, to fill the emptiness in their life the couple decide to plant banyan trees and raise them as their kids. This is when it all started. She, along with her husband, began grafting saplings from these trees. In the first year, they grafted around ten saplings and planted them along a five-kilometre stretch. Over the next two years, they grafted thirty-five plants together. Although neither of them was from an affluent background, they put together whatever money they had earned through their jobs

to buy the resources required for the healthy growth of the trees. A total of three hundred eighty-four banyan trees were grown by the couple with their asset value currently being assessed at around fifteen lakh rupees. Chikkaiah's passing away in 1991 did not stop Thimmakka from carrying on their legacy. In the span of eighty years, she has managed to plant and grow eight thousand trees. For her hard work, love, and dedication, she has been awarded numerous awards and accolades. Aside from the Padma Shri, she has received the National Citizen's Award, a Certificate of Appreciation from the IIWST, and the Nadoja Award from Hampi University, to name a few. In 1999, a documentary titled *Thimmakka Mathu 284 Makkalu* was made on her work. Thimmakka's impact has reached the global platform as well. In 2016, she was listed by BBC as "one of the most influential and inspirational women in the world". Even today, Thimmakka's mission has not ended. The centenarian continues to advocate for afforestation and the protection of forests, inspiring the rest of the world.

Madhura Kulkarni, X E

EXPLORING THE MISCONCEPTION: MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL

The age-old proverb, "Money is the root of all evil," has been ingrained in society's consciousness for centuries. It has been repeated in various forms, often taken out of context, and used to vilify wealth and material possessions. However, it is crucial to question the validity of such a statement.

Money is an essential component of our modern economic system. It facilitates trade, enables growth, and empowers individuals and communities to meet their basic needs. Money can be a catalyst for positive change, funding scientific advancements, humanitarian initiatives, and educational opportunities that uplift societies.



Contrary to the popular saying, it is not money itself that is inherently evil, but rather the actions and intentions of those who possess it. Money is merely a tool, neutral in nature until it is used by individuals. It is essential to recognize that greed, corruption, and unethical behaviour are human traits, not the inherent qualities of money. Money can be employed for various purposes, including personal gain, philanthropy, or supporting noble causes. Ultimately, it is the values and priorities of individuals that determine how money is utilized.

The notion that money is the root of all evil oversimplifies the complexities of human nature and the impact of wealth in society. Money is a tool that amplifies the values and intentions of those who possess it. By cultivating a more nuanced understanding of the role of money, we can separate its inherent value from the actions that individuals choose to take. Ultimately, it is our responsibility to utilize money ethically and responsibly, channelling its potential for positive change and creating a better world for everyone.

Vismay, 12 C

PATRIOTISM



When we hear the word 'patriotism', we remember the month of August for obvious reasons. But we will give a thought to patriotism this month, as a tribute to those Heroes who were instrumental in India's victory over Pakistan in the Kargil War in 1999, ousting Pakistani forces from their occupied positions on the mountain tops of Kargil in Ladakh. Kargil Vijay Diwas is observed every 26th July. Patriotism is a feeling of love, devotion, commitment and a sense of attachment to one's country. It is also a feeling of unity with those who share these feelings. Patriotism is felt when we take pride in our cultural, religious or historical backgrounds, and in the positive values our country embraces – like freedom, justice, and equality. There are countless ways of showing patriotism - Obeying laws diligently, behaving justly, respecting the armed forces, understanding the constitutional rights and responsibilities and voting in elections. Paying taxes, respecting each other's liberty, standing for the national anthem, volunteering for community service whenever possible are a few more.

Let us remember that for a country to survive, prosper and endure challenges, patriotic feelings among its people is a key factor.

OUI, OUI, JE SPEAK FRANGLAIS

5 mots que vous pensiez être anglais mais qui sont français.
5 words you thought were English but are actually French.

1) À la Carte

Meaning "according to a menu" in French, this expression refers to the choice of individual items on a menu in both languages.

2) Bon Voyage

We've all heard this expression when we go on a trip. The French use it to wish someone a "bon voyage", and we use it in the same way in English.

3) Bureau

Although the French version of this word refers to a physical office, it also refers to a desk, which is how the English use it. The English term "bureau" is used more for more political or governmental offices, such as the FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation).

4) Cliché

In French, this word refers to something that has become so common as to be overrated. The meaning is the same in English.

5) Déjà Vu

"Déjà vu is the English translation of the French expression associated with that strange feeling of reliving an experience. In France, you'll often hear this word because it's used to express the fact of having seen a person, place or thing again, but not in another life or dimension.

ವಿಶ್ವ ತಂದೆಯಂದಿರ ದಿನ

ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬರ ಜೀವನದಲ್ಲಿ ತಂದೆ ಮಹತ್ವದ ಪಾತ್ರವನ್ನು ವಹಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ನಮ್ಮೆಲ್ಲರ ಕನಸುಗಳನ್ನು ಮತ್ತು ಆಸೆಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಂಬಲಿಸುವವರು ನಮ್ಮ ತಂದೆ. ಅವರು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂತೋಷಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಸಾಕಷ್ಟು ತ್ಯಾಗ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಯಾವುದೇ ಒತ್ತಡದ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ನಾವು ನನಪಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ ಮೊದಲ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಯೆಂದರೆ ತಂದೆ. "ನನ್ನ ತಂದೆ ನನ್ನ ನಾಯಕ ಹಾಗೂ ನನ್ನ ಜೀವನದ ಅತ್ಯುತ್ತಮ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ". ಅವರು ನಮ್ಮ ಜೀವನದಲ್ಲಿ ಹೊಸದನ್ನು ಸಾಧಿಸಲು ಯಾವಾಗಲೂ ಪ್ರೋತ್ಸಾಹಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅವರು, ಜೀವನದ ಒಳ್ಳೆಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕೆಟ್ಟದ್ದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ನಮಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸುವ ಮೊದಲ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕ. ತಂದೆಯಂದಿರ ದಿನವನ್ನು ವಿಶ್ವದ ಅನೇಕ ದೇಶಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಆಚರಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ಜೀವನದ ನಾಯಕನನ್ನು ನನಪಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ ದಿನವಾಗಿ 'ವಿಶ್ವ ತಂದೆಯಂದಿರ ದಿನ'ವನ್ನು ನಾವು ಜೂನ್ ೨ರಂದು ಸಂಭ್ರಮದಿಂದ ಆಚರಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಈ ಸುದಿನದಂದು ವಿಶ್ವದ ಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠ ತಂದೆಯಂದಿರಿಗೆ ನನ್ನ ಹೃದಯಪೂರ್ವಕ ನಮನಗಳನ್ನು ಹೇಳಬಯಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.



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WHO IS TRULY LEARNED ?

Students sweat at the thought of exams. When they pass exams at various levels and in the end, earn their degrees, they are entitled to call themselves educated. Chanakya, a famous Indian teacher, philosopher, economist, jurist and royal advisor, tested a person's education by three yardsticks of character and ethics.

Test 1 : Matharavath pardaareeshu

In the ideal Vedic system of education, a properly trained student should be able to honor all other women as his own mother and all men as his own father.

Test 2 : Paradravyeshu loshtravath

A learned person looks upon others' properly as stoned or garbage in the street.

Test 3 : Athmavath sarva-bhuteshu

An educated person sees other living creatures as he sees himself. A person educated to treat others as he treats himself, will naturally be nonviolent and honest, does not cheat others, will always speak beneficially and does not hurt anyone even with his

Does our modern colonial system of education teach the above principles or is it just producing skillful engineers and doctors, lacking the real purpose of education?

We are seeing the crime rate increasing all over the world. If every learner is raised with the above principles firmly entrenched in his upbringing and well protected by ethical and spiritual wisdom, will a peaceful world not be a natural outcome? Should this not be the goal of having an educated populace?

Ms.Sushma Bhushan, V+

THE ILLUSION OF TIME HEALS – CHALLENGING A COMMON ASSUMPTION

The phrase "time heals" has become a popular adage to console individuals in distress. It suggests that with the passage of time, emotional wounds and traumas will naturally fade away, leaving individuals to find solace and recovery. However, the notion that time alone is a sufficient catalyst for healing is misleading. By focusing on the other factors - complexities of human emotions, the impact of unaddressed issues, and the significance of active intervention - we can shed light on the limitations of relying solely on the passage of time for healing.

Time alone does not guarantee complete healing or resolution of all wounds. While emotional pain may gradually become less intense, the healing period might vary widely depending on the person and the type of wound. While some wounds may eventually heal entirely, some may leave visible scars or necessitate proactive healing measures.



While time can be a factor in the healing process, it is not a magical remedy that automatically heals emotional wounds. The complexities of human emotions, the impact of unaddressed issues, and the power of active intervention challenge the notion that time alone heals. Acknowledging the limitations of "time heals" is essential for individuals seeking true healing and well-being. By actively engaging in introspection, seeking professional help, and practising self-care, individuals can embark on a journey of self-discovery, growth, and eternal healing. Active engagement, self-reflection, seeking support, and taking appropriate actions are crucial steps in the healing process. While time can be a component of healing, it is not a standalone solution.

ACHIEVEMENTS



Priyanshi Sharma of grade 10 D represented India in South Korea Open International Karate championship held in Busan, South Korea. She bagged one gold medal and two silver medals in Kata and Kumite events.



Chinmayi Tili of 10 A bagged first place in the KSAFA A Division with her team, Bengaluru Football Club (BFC) which was organized by the Karnataka state. The tournament took place between 21st May and 11th June, 2023. Chinmayi and her team now aspire to win the Super division and enter the Indian Women's League (IWL).

The black belt is not just a rank; it's a mindset of perseverance, discipline, and unconquerable spirit. About 13 Karate students, who have been training under coach Renshi R Ganesh (7th Dan Black Belt, World Karate Federation Judge) received their Black Belts Vaibhavi Suresh grade 10 A, Abhiram Reddy grade 9 C and Atharv Shetty received their Black Belt confirmation.



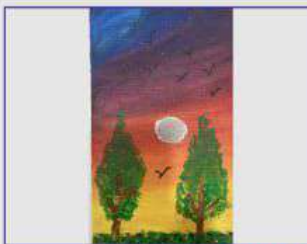
We are thrilled to announce that our students across grade 1 to 10 have performed extraordinarily in International Spell bee 2022-23, level 3 and 4. They have been awarded with Medal of distinction & Medal of achievement.

Advaith Manusankar of grade 6 C participated in the Values Olympiad 2022-23 conducted by ISCKON. He secured a distinction and was placed in Top 10 after clearing the level 2 interview. He was also awarded with a medal and certificate for the same.

Master Keshav Kaimal, of grade X won NAC 2022-23 (National Astronomy Challenge Olympiad). Keshav emerged as the National level young champion of NAC at grade IX level, after competing with more than 4000 students across India and UAE in the year 2022-23. National Champion, Master Keshav represented New Horizon Gurukul in a 3-day experiential astronomy camp and award felicitation at Nainital and Devasthal. Master Keshav was felicitated by Dr. Patrick Dasgupta (Professor, Department of Physics & Astrophysics, University of Delhi), Dr. Amitava Sengupta (DOS/ISRO Sr. Scientist) and Kim Antoniou, Linguist and CEO of Auris tech limited, UK. Master Keshav was taken to ARIES Observatory in Nainital and Devasthal Observatory where he had an enriching interaction with astrophysicists and other space scientists. In Devasthal Observatory he had an amazing experience of witnessing Asia's largest telescope (360-cm telescope and a 400-cm liquid mirror telescope).



Art Corner



Anvith, 1 B



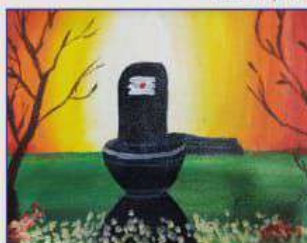
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