

# SCHOOLS OPT FOR ONLINE TOOLS

Undeterred by the Covid-19 pandemic, schools across Delhi and NCR took on unprecedented challenges using various online tools and applications to ensure that teaching and learning processes continued unhampered.

## 'Stay Home, Stay Empowered' mantra for students at Apeejay School, Fbd

Amid the Covid-19 lockdown period, 'Stay Home, Stay Empowered' is the mantra being followed by the students and teachers of Apeejay School, Faridabad. The lockdown has opened many unforeseen opportunities for everyone. The students are skillfully re-scripting their schedule and finding innovative ways to make the most of trying times. They are spreading cheer among their families. From photography to gardening and from yoga to cooking, they are experimenting with fun to create happy memories to last a lifetime. They are keeping themselves busy in diverse activities such as learning a musical instrument, enhancing command over a language and technology and packaging meals for the underprivileged etc. Grandparents and parents are a constant source of support and strength for them during the pandemic.



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Students virtually narrated motivational stories

## At Ahlcon Int'l, book week with a difference

Students of Ahlcon International School, Mayur Vihar, recently held their first virtual book week titled 'Leaves of Wisdom'. On that occasion, the teachers along with librarian Monika Sawhney designed different themes and activities under the guidance of headmistress Anju Gupta. The event began with the activities of Class 5 wherein students virtually

narrated motivational stories and anecdotes related to Covid-19 lockdown. The week concluded with impressive performances of students. Many author sessions were also organised for the students. Author Shradha Pandey and renowned storyteller Nupur Aggarwal took part in the event. Principal Sanjay Yadav appreciated the hard work put in by students.

## Online classes held at GD Goenka, Dwarka

GD Goenka Public school, Dwarka, takes pride in its principle that the fundamental motive of holistic development of students has always been the cornerstone of its strong educational policy. Undeterred by the pandemic, the school has left no stone unturned in facilitating the online teaching process. The teachers themselves became learners and overcame the obstacles of technology to make online classes interesting for students. Be it making PPTs, videos or interactive sessions or telephonic 'care calls', to find out about the well-being of students



The teachers make the online classes interesting for students

and parents, the school is doing it all. The concept of online teaching is being loved by students. It also gives satisfaction to teachers when a child looks forward to seeing them online every day.

## Virtual investiture ceremony at Hansraj Model, Punjabi Bagh

Hansraj Model School, Punjabi Bagh, recently made sorts of history when it held a virtual investiture ceremony of the prefectural board for the session 2020-21. Even the Covid-19 lockdown could not dampen the spirit of the students. School principal Heemal H Bhat announced the names of the newly-elected head boy and the head girl along with other office-bearers. In her address to the students, the principal congratulated all the members of the prefectural board and inspired the students to be the torchbearers during these days of nationwide crisis. The students were delighted and grateful to the principal for bestowing responsibility upon them.

## Online meeting at GD Goenka Public School, Sec 9, Rohini

The Interact Club of GD Goenka Public School, Sector 9, Rohini, recently held a virtual meeting through Google Meet.

The meeting was graced by esteemed Rotarians VP Verma, president of Rotary Club Delhi uptown, Vijay Gupta, and Ajay Kumar Goyal. They were welcomed by coordinator Ritu Vashist who praised the students for their efforts.

The meeting briefed the guests about the work done by the club in the last year. They were also updated about Khushi Project, NGO Visits, awareness drives, donation camps, participation in RYLA and DILA. They were very impressed by the work of students and the way they (students) summarized the entire work. Verma said that he would give appreciation letters to students and teachers for their appreciable work.

## Ceremonies held at DPS, Sec 45, Gurugram

Keeping in mind the Covid-19 lockdown advisory to maintain social distancing, Delhi Public School, Sector 45, Gurugram, recently held the scholar badge ceremonies for classes 5, 7 and 12 virtually. Each of the ceremonies was released on YouTube. School director and principal Aditi Misra, in her address on the occasion, lauded the students for their success and achievements and urged the audience to reflect and introspect for a happier life. She advised the parents to help build life skills and compassion among their wards. She reiterated the importance of family bonding and laid emphasis upon strengthening the parent-child communication. Sapna Dhawan, Dean, Student Welfare, facilitated the ceremony. A sneak peek into activities held for the



School principal Aditi Misra lauds the students for their success and achievements

students in the previous session was also screened. The awards were displayed with the photographs and names of the awardees along with their achievements. The scholar badge ceremony of the senior school also witnessed students being honoured with awards.



Students took a pledge to clean the air with the help of BEST Clubs

## Webinar held at DLF Public School, Gzb

DLF Public School, Ghaziabad, recently organised a webinar for school students across the city on the issue of 'air pollution and the role of youth' in partnership with the Lung Care Foundation (LCF). It was an attempt to bring clean air to the city by empowering students through the BEST (Breathe Easy Stay Tough) Clubs, a LCF initiative. Over 1,000 students, teachers and school leaders of over 40 schools pledged to clean the air through BEST Clubs which are part of the Saaf Hawa Aur Naagrik project.

## Activity on human teeth at Ryan Int'l, Sec-40, Gurugram

Ryan International School, Sector 40, Gurugram, recently conducted an activity on human teeth wherein a teacher explained to students about various types of teeth and their functions. The students were asked to make a set of milk teeth and another set of permanent teeth by using clay dough and wheat flour dough. Then they fixed those teeth into the gums made up of red dough as per the correct placement of teeth. The activity was informative and students took part in it with zeal.



A glimpse of the event

## READING CORNER

### BOOKS TO MAKE YOU WISER

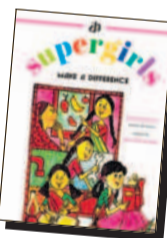
These books teach about hygiene, environment, overcoming stereotypes in our culture, responsibilities of keeping a pet and how to partake in the joy of others. Also find out what happens when a girl is caught in a storm.

#### SUPERGIRLS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Edited by Geeta Dharmarajan

Dive right into this book of playful stories and poems to learn the basics of personal hygiene, ways to stay healthy, and much more!

'Supergirls Make A Difference' is part of Katha's WaSH Series - a special series that promotes hygienic behaviours and clean environment to help children stay healthy and happy, and make learning about water, hygiene, and sanitation cool and fun! The bright and colourful illustrations by various artists make it easy to understand and fun reading. The title is also available as a Kindle e-book.



#### ONE'S OWN, YET DIFFERENT

Author: Meena Kakodkar

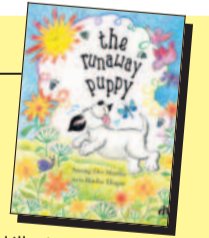
One day when her granddaughter starts asking her questions, Aatibai finds her views on life changing. Read to find all the questions Aatibai had never herself asked answered through her granddaughter! Written by Meena Kakodkar and illustrated by Charutha Reghunath, this book is a part of Katha's Gender Series which addresses issues of gender and related issues like poverty, disability and employment - in a manner that children can understand. The title is available in Hindi and English and as Kindle e-book.



#### THE RUNAWAY PUPPY

Author: Sarang Dev Murthy

Little Puppy loved to jump and wag his tail. And he loved to lick. He licked everything he could find. Then one day, he peeped out through the open gate of the garden. And guess what happens next? A story that helps a child discover the joys as well as responsibilities of keeping a pet. Bindia Thapar has made colourful illustrations for the book. Written by Sarang Dev Murthy, The Runaway Puppy has been recommended by CBSE and is available as paperback and Kindle. It is also available in Hindi as Bhaag Gaya Tullu Pilla.



#### THE DUST STORM

Author: Geeta Dharmarajan

Surge and soar and swirl and roar with a little friend and the dust storm as they take you along for a magical ride across the skies. Perky pictures, catchy rhyme, foot-tapping rhythm and some fantastical creatures waiting to jump into the adventure, it's a fun read all the way! The book teaches young readers about the beauty in things otherwise considered boring. It is an excellent early lesson in looking at things from a new perspective. Written by Geeta Dharmarajan, the book carries beautiful illustrations by Anu Roy and is available as paperback and Kindle. Anu Roy's illustrations make a dust storm magical and beautiful.



#### FREE MOUNTAIN

Author: Kavari Chatterji

Long long ago, all mountains could fly. They swam through clouds and skies so high. And then came a day when... Find out what happens next in this story that comes alive with brilliant art. Wonderfully imaginative, ringing with music and rhythm, this book is sure to inspire every child who dreams of flying! Illustrated by Shweta Mohapatra, Free Mountain has been recommended by CBSE and is available as paperback and Kindle. It educates young readers about months, animals and introduces mathematical concepts like numbers and counting. It also has a subtle message for readers - rejoice in the happiness of others.



(This list was compiled by Katha Books)

## MIND GAMES

### SUDOKU

		8		2				5
3	1	5	7					
			6		9		2	
						9		4
1	4						7	8
9	6					1		
			5		6			7
	3			7			4	

### SCRAMBLE

Solve the four anagrams and move one letter to each square to form four ordinary words

PPAER	*	*	*	*
DEOOR	*	*	*	*
SPINAL	*	*	*	*
OORTCD	*	*	*	*

Now arrange the letters marked with an asterisk (\*) to form the answer to the riddle or to fill in the missing words as indicated.

Lists have always implied \_\_\_\_\_. -- David Viscott (6,5)

Answer: Lists have always implied social order. -- David Viscott

### YOU FIND OUT

A man in a restaurant asked a waiter for a glass, a dinner plate, some water, a atchstick and a lemon wedge. The man poured enough water onto the plate to fill it. "If you can pour the water from the plate into this glass without touching or moving the plate, I will give you 100 rupees. You may use the match and the lemon wedge to do this," the man said to the waiter. A few minutes later, the waiter walked away with the 100 rupees in his pocket. How did the waiter get the water into the glass?



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### MATHDOKU

3-		9+		
96x			2+	17+
		10x		
15x				
	4:		6x	

Place numbers into the puzzle cells so that each row and column contains each of the digits from 1 to 5. No number is to be repeated in any row or column. Each bold-out lined cells contain a hint of a number and one of the mathematical symbols + x - /. The number is the result of the operation represented by the symbol to the digits contained.

### UNFETTERED MOMENTS



Cheerleading squads from the universities of Yonsei and Korea perform during a live streaming festival at Yonsei University in Seoul, South Korea, on Friday. The event was held at an empty outdoor theatre to avoid the spread of the coronavirus disease.

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### Solutions

5	3	1	9	7	8	2	4	6
8	2	4	5	1	6	3	9	7
6	9	7	6	3	2	1	8	5
1	4	9	2	5	3	5	6	7
2	5	6	1	8	7	9	3	4
7	8	3	6	4	9	5	2	1
3	7	8	3	6	4	9	5	2
6	3	7	5	7	9	4	8	6
4	9	2	8	6	5	7	1	3

SNODUOSUOJ

5	1	4	3	2
1	3	2	5	4
4	2	5	1	3
3	4	1	2	5
2	5	3	4	1

MATHDOKU SOLUTION

SCRAMBLE Solution words: Paper, rodeo, plains, doctor