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GIVING WINGS TO YOUR DREAMS

# NEWSLETTER

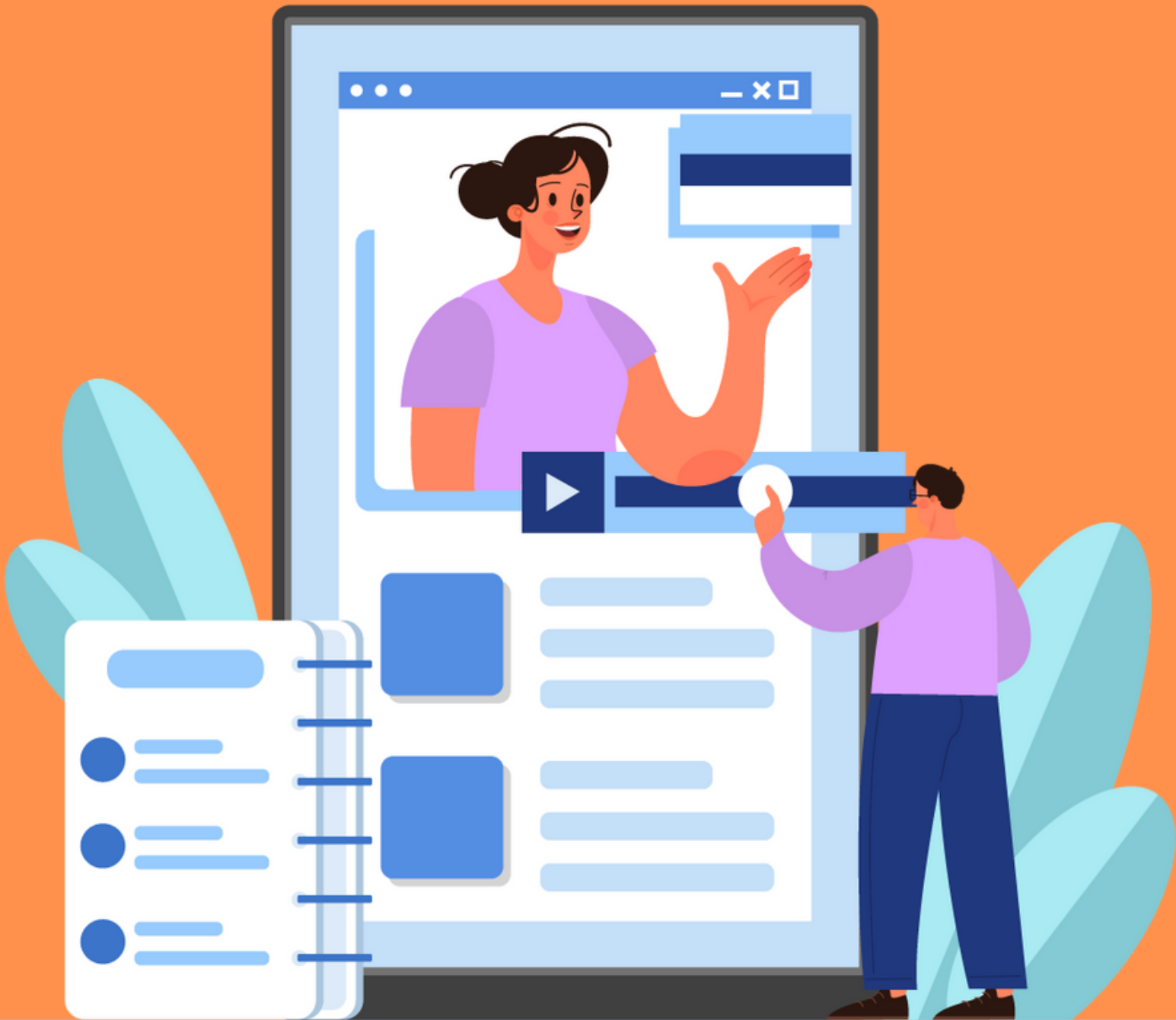
## JULY

## 2023



# Pre Primary Curriculum Morning

Curriculum morning was conducted on 1st July 2023. The aim was to familiarise the parents with the class curriculum for academic year 23-24





# First day of school

## Pre primary

The first day of pre-primary school was filled with excitement and nervousness as students began a new journey. Teachers created a warm and welcoming environment with games, story time, free play, singing rhymes for them along with a lot more activities to help them settle in their respective classes.









# Academic Activities

## Nursery

**Literacy** -Students learned the letters Aa, Bb, Cc, and Dd through stories, games, and worksheets.

They enjoyed listening to the story of "The Lion and the Mouse"

**Numeracy**- Our little ones enjoyed recognizing and counting 1 and 2 objects.

**Area of Inquiry**- Students had fun learning about themselves and parts of the body through rhymes, games, and activities.





# JR KG

**Settling period:** Class photo with takeaway and game on passing the ball through a paper cup

**AOI:** Activity on the sense of sight. Students are learning about the sense of sight. They are coloring the objects which you can see and touch and see and cannot touch. Followed by paper tearing activity

**Literacy:** formation of letters with ice cream sticks

**Numeracy:** Ice cream activity: students are identifying the number and completing the ice cream activity with paper tearing and crumpling

**Sequencing activity:** students are arranging the numbers in order from 1-10

**Art:** coloring the snail





# Sr Kg

**AOI** - students did coloring  
sorting and sticking activities  
on parts of plants

**Numeracy**- Students arranged  
the given fruits, (apples and  
oranges) with numbers up to  
40 in a bowl in ascending and  
descending order of numbers.

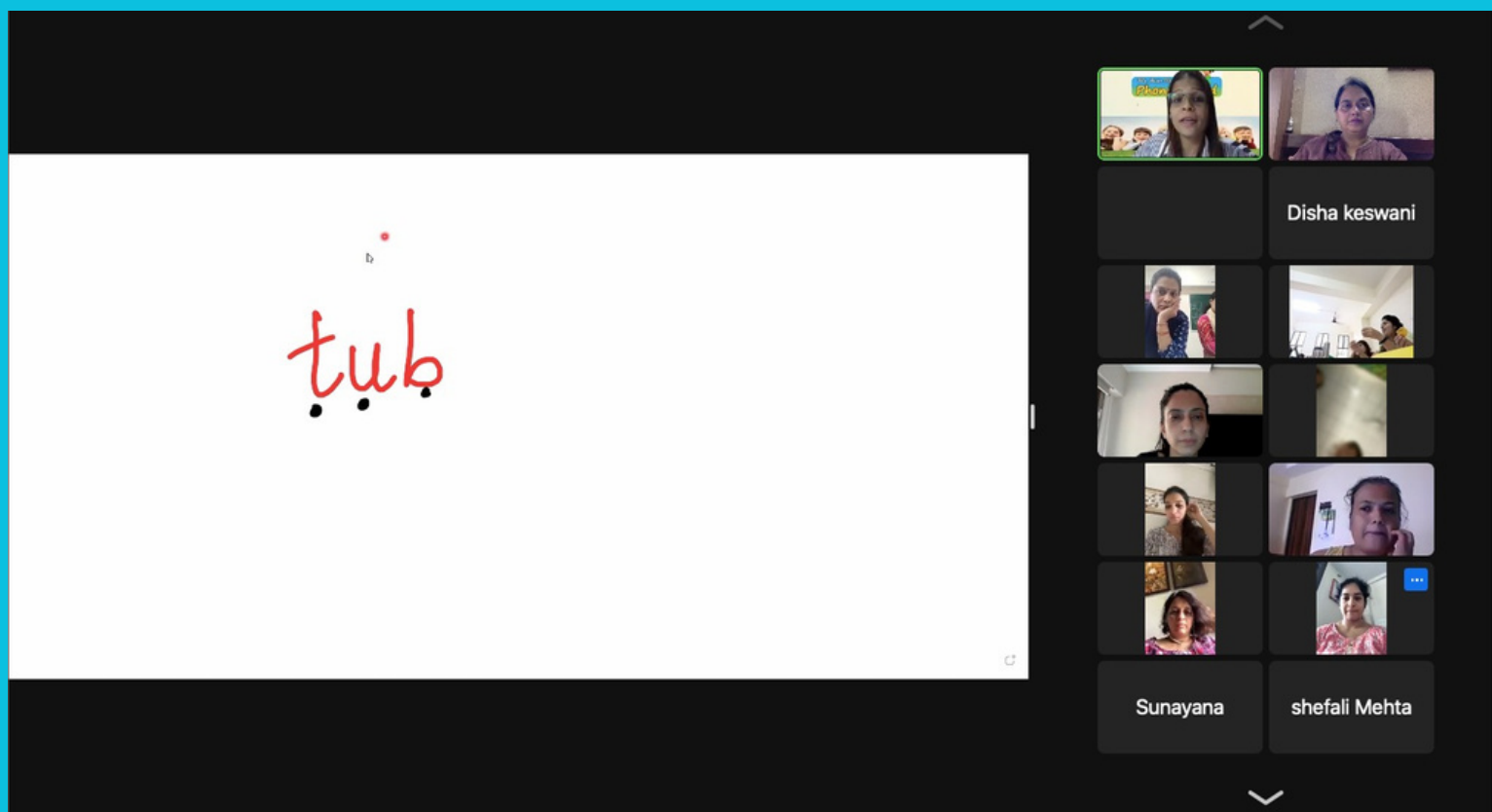
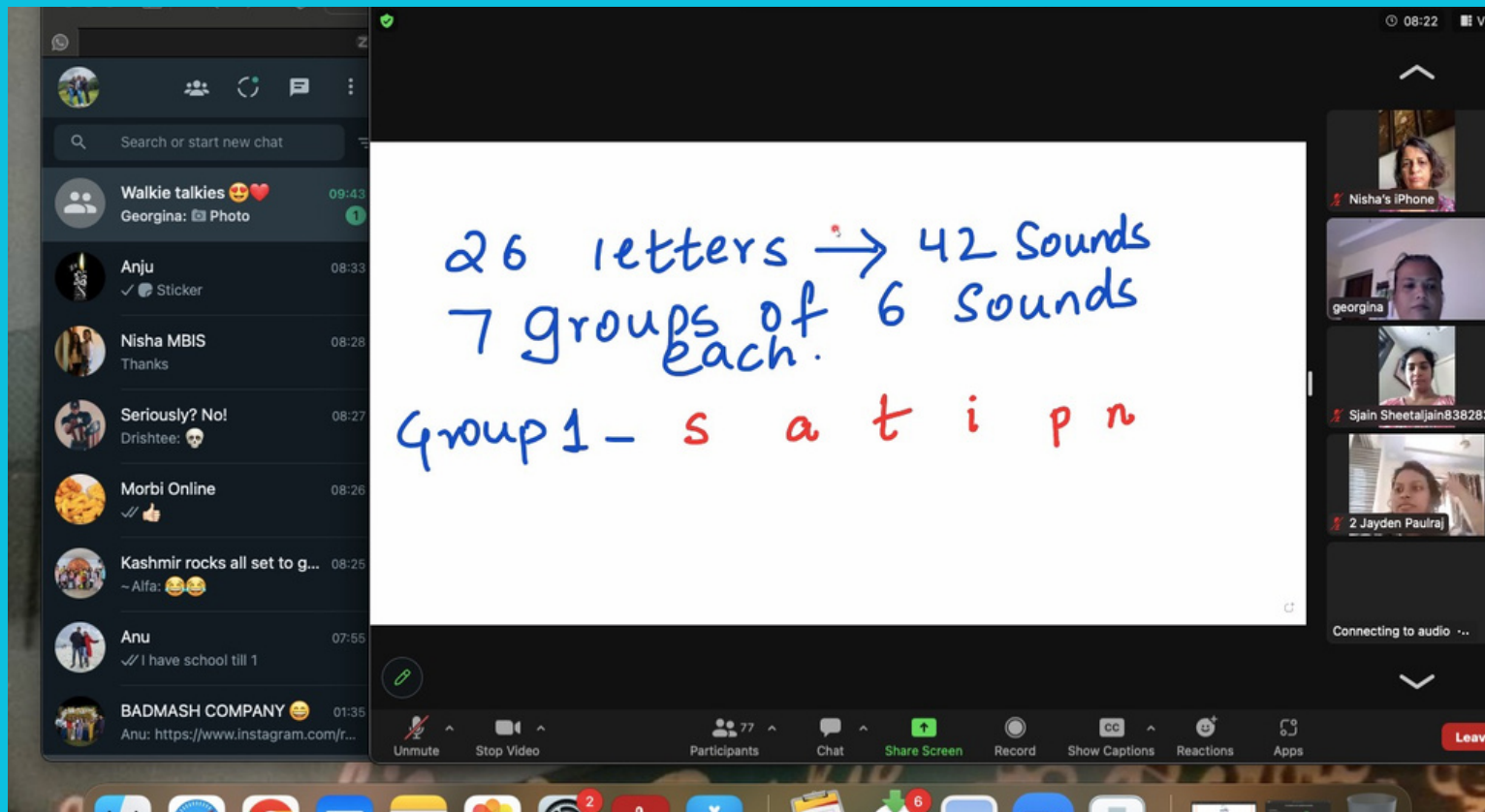
**Literacy**- All students made a  
flip book of words with "ab"  
family words





# Pre-primary MISA cell meet

Pre-primary teachers attended the Misa Cell Meet on Saturday, 15 July 2023 from 9:30 to 11:30 am conducted by Ms. Renu Dhoot. The meeting was very enriching and was based on Jolly Phonics. It provided in-depth knowledge of phonetic sounds of letters, tricky words, vowels, segmenting, blending, and digraphs. It was overall a good learning experience for teachers.

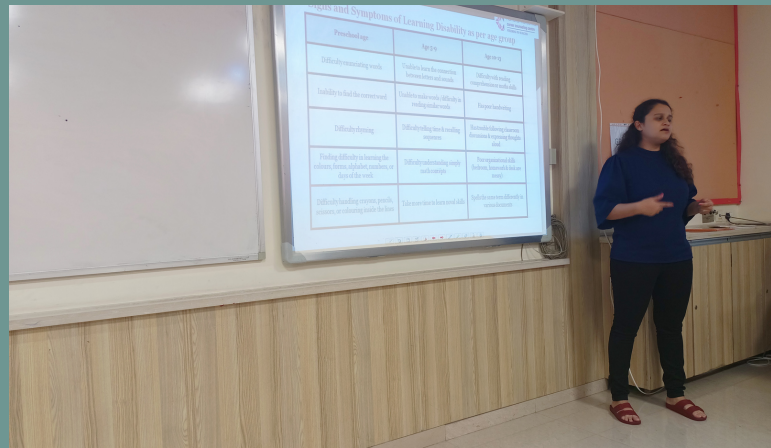


# Counselling workshop for Teachers



An enriching and enlightening workshop was conducted by the in house counsellor of MBIS, Ms. Kishita Gala on 17th July'23, Monday. She enriched and empathised the teachers about the emotions and sentiments that a child undergoes while facing learning difficulties. The aim was to help the teachers identify these students and how to be a little compassionate towards them. She helped them to understand the intensity, frequency, duration and context of these difficulties. She brought forward some real life experiences to distinguish the behaviour of the students with emotional and academic disturbances.

The session ended with teachers getting further acquainted with ways in which they can help their students to overcome the barriers and grow up to become confident individuals.







# Primary

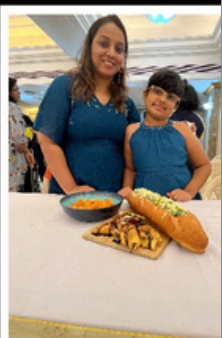
"A new school year means new beginnings, new adventures, and new friendships for students." Keeping that in mind, the Primary section at MBIS started the AY 2023-24 with a vibrant class activity.

Collaboratively the students and teachers made their first day a memorable one as they got a sense of belonging by doing this activity, wherein each class was given a cutout of one of the following letters M, B, I, S, and a cutout of wings. Every student got their palm painted and left an imprint on the cutout assigned to their class. They made the backdrop "MBIS - Giving wings to your Dreams!!" and are super excited to see it every day as they walk through the corridor.

## **Primary- Bastille Day Celebrations**

The Bastille Day celebration event at school sounds absolutely marvelous! At MBIS on Friday, 14 July 2023, the Primary section celebrated this day with a mother/grandmother and child non-fire cooking activity. It was a fantastic opportunity for our students to bond with their mother/grandmother and immerse themselves in the rich French culture and commemorate this historic day. During the event, our little chefs prepared a variety of dishes, from mouthwatering salads bursting with fresh ingredients to delicate crêpes filled with delightful flavors. And of course, no French feast would be complete without the iconic baguette - that long, crusty bread that perfectly complements any meal. Each pair presented their dishes so beautifully. There were smiles throughout the event. Once all participants were done making their dishes, it was a buffet open to all the lovely students of the primary section who relished the tasty dishes. They soaked up the vibrant atmosphere, savored every bite of delicious food, and reveled in the joyous spirit that filled the air. Our parent-child duo and all the students took a moment to appreciate the significance of this holiday. It marks the beginning of the French Revolution and symbolizes freedom and unity.









# Parent Orientation and Primary Curriculum morning

The DS Hall of RSET campus bore the presence of enthusiastic parents on 1st July'23, Saturday. They were ready to get abreast of the schedule of academic and co curricular activities for the new session. The principal, Dr. Padmaja Kutty addressed the parents and enlighten them about the activities that will take place, following which Ms. Priya Natraj, the Primary coordinator helped the parents understand about the academic year in detail. The Curriculum Morning helped the parents to understand the importance of parental role in their child's education and the ways in which school and parents can work together in creating a child centric education. The event was a starting point and helped in explicitly understanding the details.

The parents were content to have a heart to heart interactive session with the coordinator and the teachers.



# Primary Vanmahotsav Celebrations

“The one who plants trees, knowing that he will never sit in their shade, has at least started to understand the meaning of life”

Being Reflective and Responsible about the environment in today's modern world is a Cambridge attribute. To nurture these attributes, the Primary section had a special assembly on the occasion of Vanmahotsav, - Tree Plantation Week (26th July 2023)

Our students were informed about the immense significance of our efforts to protect and preserve our environment. They were made aware of how Vanmahotsav aims to create awareness about the importance of trees and encourage afforestation activities across the country.

Aadya Shrivastava, of Grade 4 gave a speech on the history and significance of Vanmahotsav and how it serves as a reminder of the crucial role trees play in maintaining ecological balance and mitigating the adverse effects of global warming. While Harshita Mulkhede of Grade 5 spoke about the effects of deforestation and easy ways

Through animated videos, students learnt the importance of Vanmahotsav and how they play a vital role in saving the environment by actively participating in tree plantation drives and pledging to protect trees daily. Our Principal motivated the students by engaging young minds in understanding the history of Vanmahotsav and fostered a sense of responsibility towards nature conservation from an early age. Students pledged repeating after ma'am - "We must all sow a seed of goodness and plant goodness in whatever we do everyday." Our students promised to plant trees, being responsible about the use of water and paper to come together and work towards a common goal - creating a greener future for generations to come. They ended the assembly by singing a song together "You can count on trees for the air you breathe"

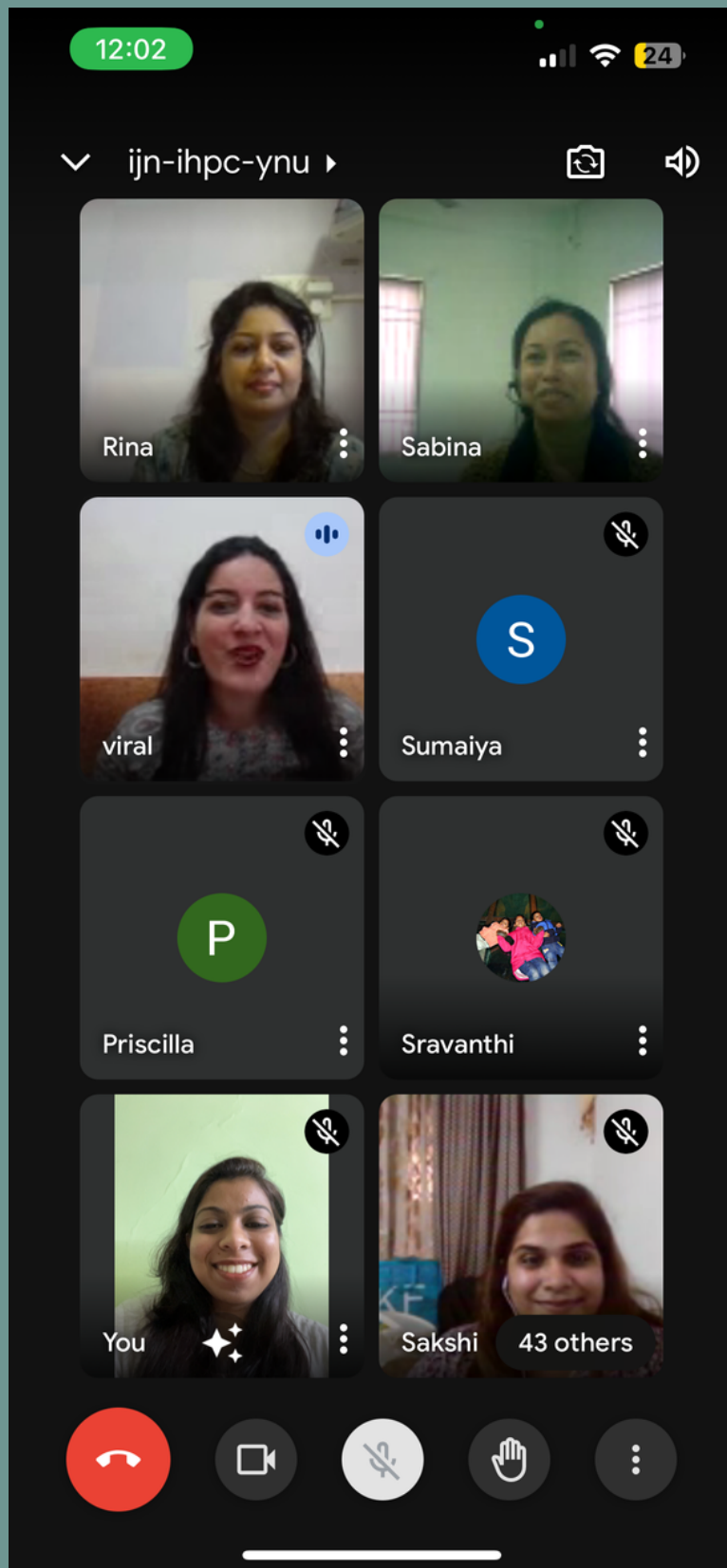
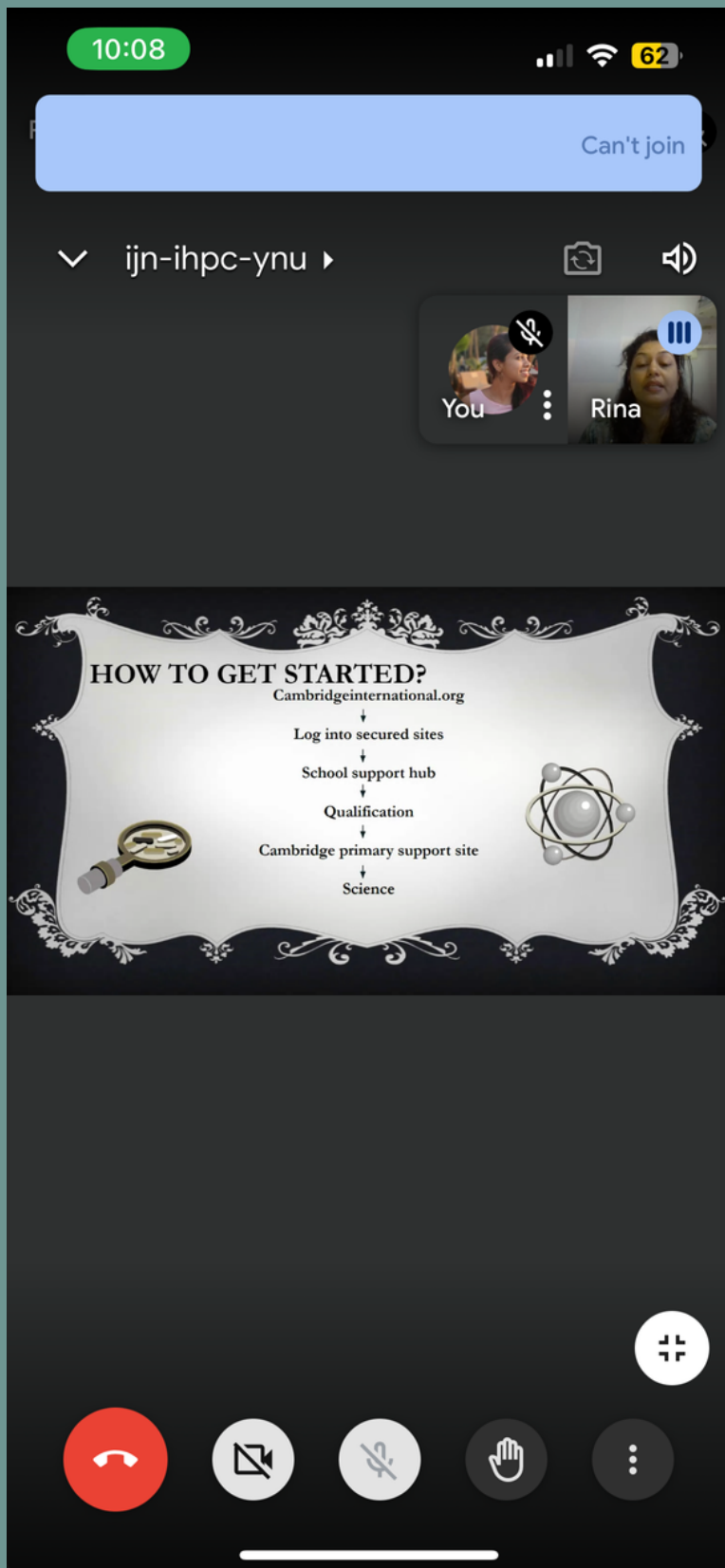






# Primary -MISA Cell - Science Beginners (CPP) Meet

MBIS is a school that believes in giving the best education to its students and for that it is ensured that no stone is left unturned. MBIS wants its teachers to be well equipped and hence professional development courses and workshops are attended by teachers throughout the year. On 8th July 2023, Saturday, I (Ms Jessica Chakrabarty- Science teacher) got a chance to attend the MISA Cell Meet. It was facilitated by learned and experienced Science teachers (Ms. Rina Modi, Ms. Viral Vasani and Ms. Sabina Sayyad) . The workshop was informative and interactive throughout on the online platform. The facilitators explained in detail the CAIE pattern of teaching and learning for our primary section. They also shared various teaching strategies that will surely be beneficial for our young learners to fall in love with the subject of Science. The assessment pattern and resources for the same were also shared for better learning outcomes from students. The cherry on the cake was a wonderful introduction to a bunch of AI tools, that we as teachers can access to make learning student centric. It was an amazing experience to attend such a helpful workshop. I personally am grateful to the school management for having given me the opportunity to attend this workshop as it has helped me grow professionally and be a better





# Academic Activities

## Grade 1

**Science:** Students are learning about animals and plants. They performed hands-on activities on what plants and animals need to grow.

**Math:** Students are learning about place value with manipulatives to understand tens and ones.





# First day of school

Students introduced themselves through a hula hoop activity done on the first day of school, where they passed through all the hoops in a particular way.









# Secondary

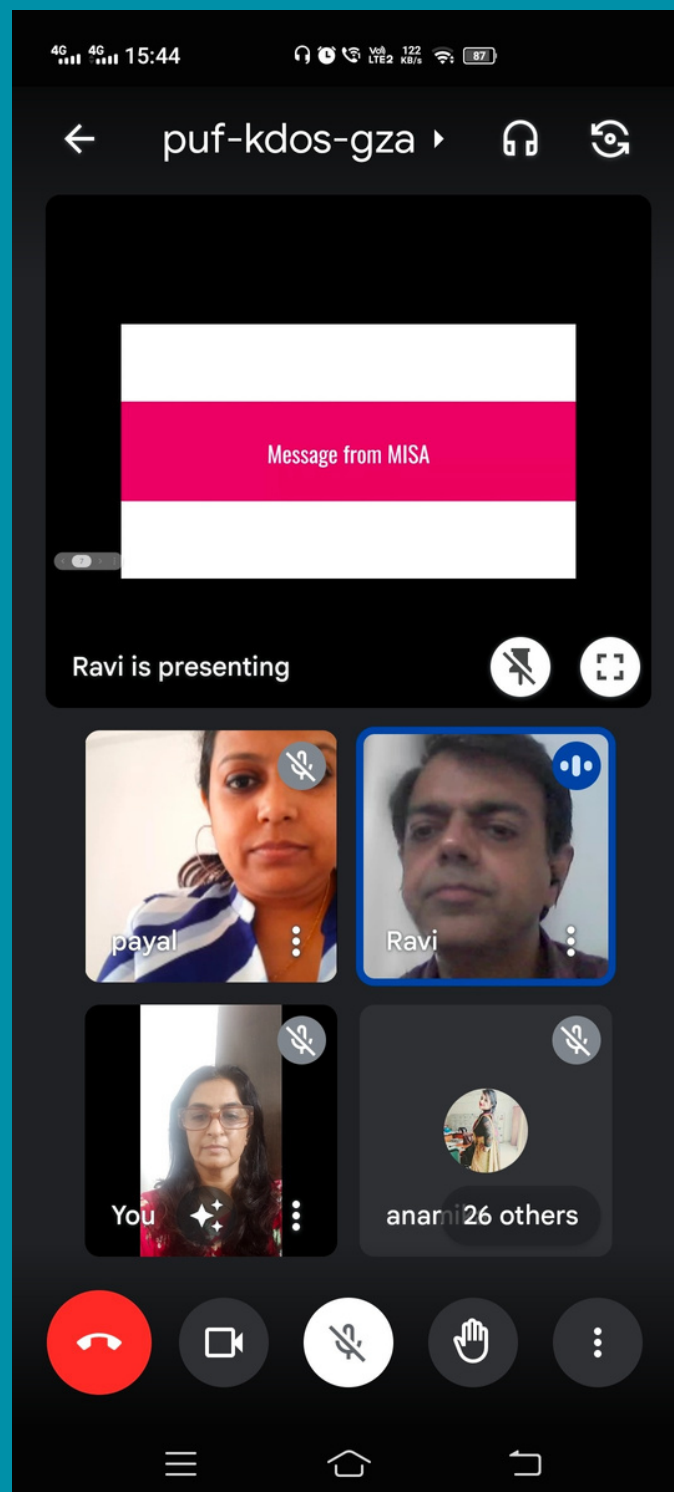
## Secondary Curriculum Morning

To acquaint both students and parents with the IGCSE framework, the Curriculum Morning was conducted on July 1st at each level. Right from briefing students about CAIE to informing them about the subject choices and the examination pattern, the program covered it all. Its main aim was to guide students as they begin the new academic year and to ensure that students, teachers, and parents collaboratively work towards achieving the goal of student success.



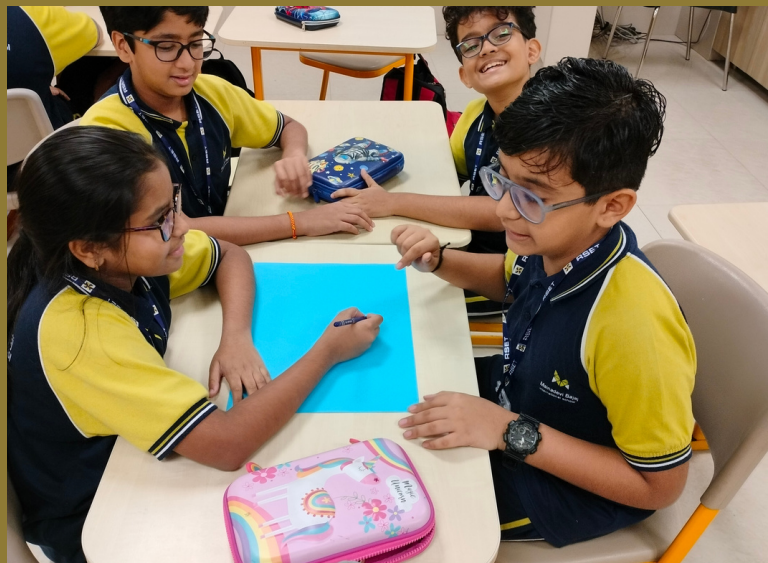
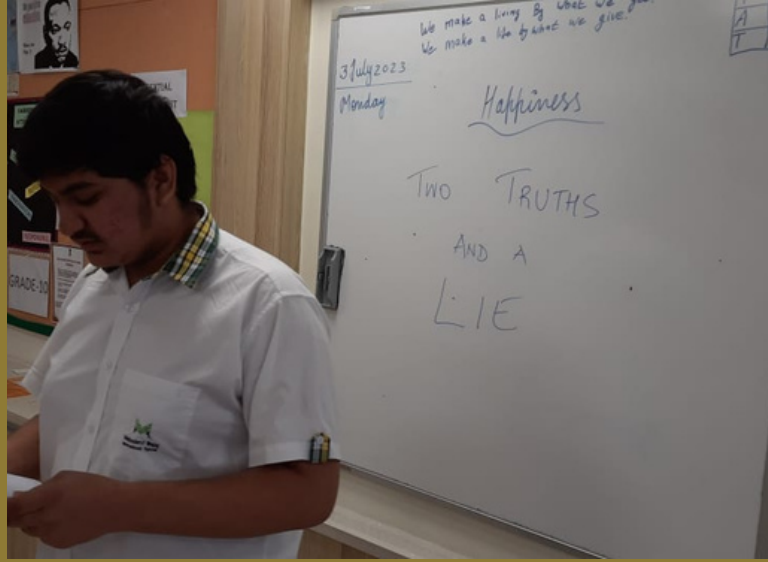
# MISA Cell Meet

One of the most significant attributes of a teacher is to first be a 'lifelong learner'. In keeping with this idea, MBIS encourages its teachers to be part of MISA cell meetings, where teachers get an opportunity to interact, connect, and share their knowledge and skills. Numerous teaching strategies, digital resources, and supporting materials to guide students were discussed. It is a great opportunity to learn and enhance one's skills. Such sessions are enriching and provide an opportunity for teachers to be creative and develop resources that can cater to the needs of the students while enhancing their critical and analytical thinking skills.

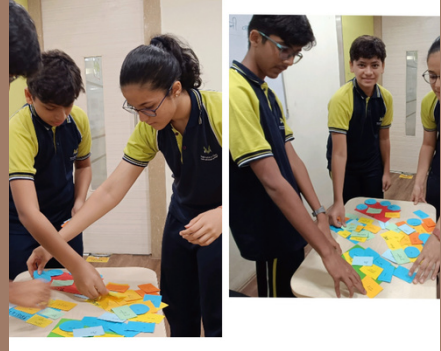
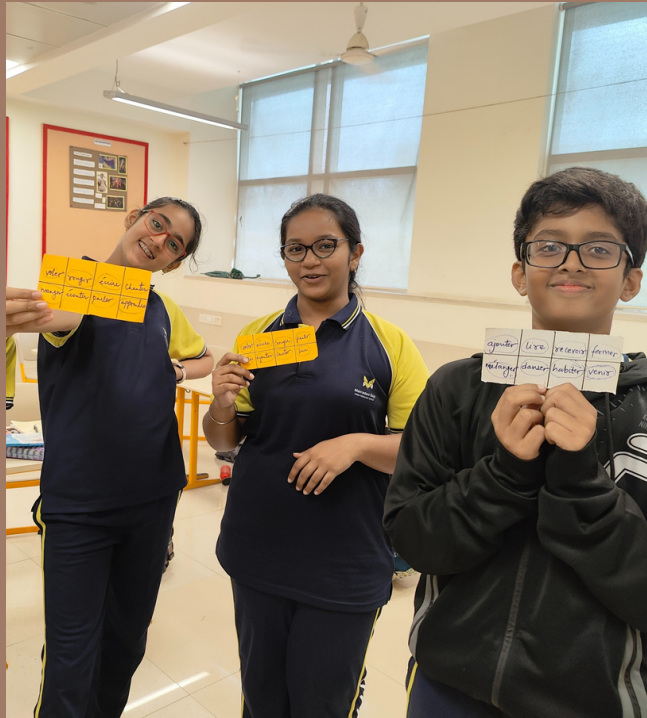
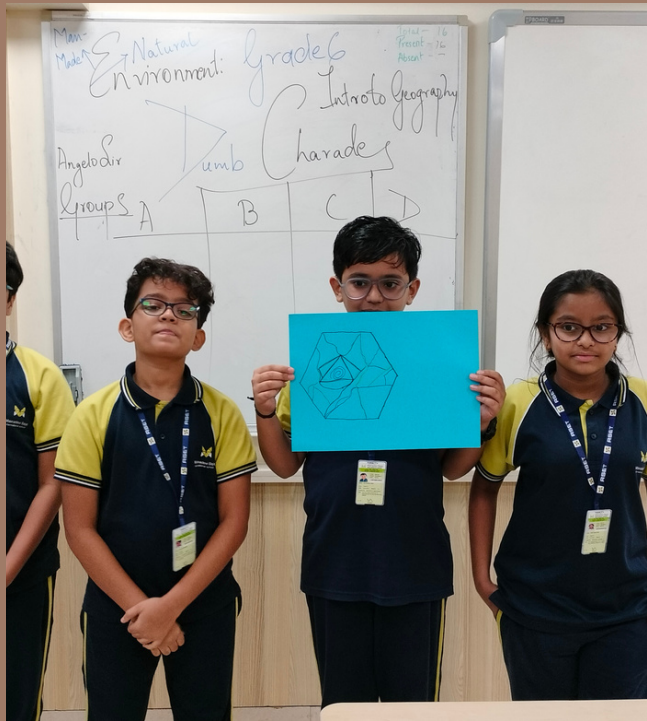
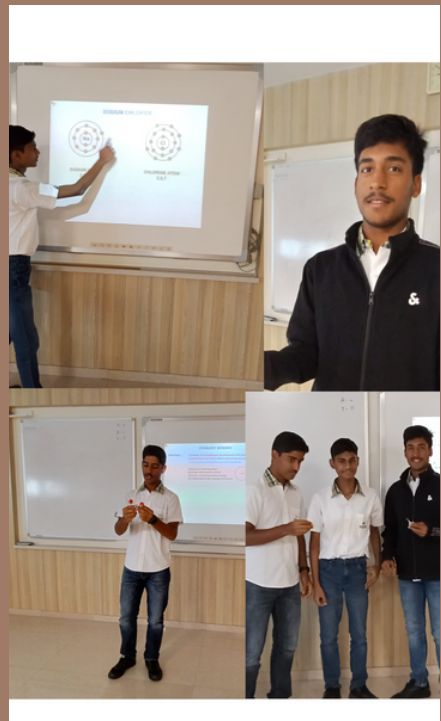


# First Day of the school

Amidst the morning showers, the Secondary section of MBIS began the year with a bang. Our energetic students were excited to meet their companions after a long vacation. The zestful teachers came prepared with activities in their armory. The activities served as Ice-breakers as well as a good introduction to the year. The students left the school at the end of the day looking forward to tomorrow.











# Master Class

We are thrilled to share the remarkable success story of Vinayak Mittal, as our school had the immense honor of hosting a captivating Master Class with him. He has journeyed far since his days in his classrooms. Now a celebrated and accomplished author, his literary achievements have garnered national acclaim, leaving an indelible mark.

During the Master Class, Vinayak graciously shared insights into his creative process, the trials and triumphs of his writing journey, and the invaluable lessons learned throughout his career. Our students and staff were spellbound by their eloquence, passion, and unwavering dedication to the art of writing.

The session centered on an essential life skill - Time Management. With the wisdom gained from his own journey as a successful author, Vinayak emphasized the paramount importance of effectively managing time to unleash creativity and achieve personal and professional goals. Our students were captivated by the valuable insights shared during this insightful session.

## **The Master Class delved into the following key aspects of Time Management:**

1. Setting Priorities
2. Creating a Structured Schedule
3. Overcoming Procrastination
4. Managing Distractions
5. Respecting Rest and Recreation

Our school community is immensely grateful to Vinayak for sharing his expertise and encouraging our students to harness the power of time management. We are confident that the invaluable lessons learned will empower our students not only academically but also in every facet of their lives.







# Chandrayan 3 launch

The highly anticipated launch of India's third lunar expedition, Chandrayaan 3, a day that will be etched in the country's space history forever, was indeed a proud moment for each and every citizen. United in spirit with the nation, students of MBIS, who were eagerly awaiting to be a part of this momentous event, viewed the victorious launch of Chandrayaan-3 on Friday (July 14, 2023) with their classmates in their respective classes, housewise, and celebrated together as India advances towards achieving yet another milestone in the history of Astronomy. The students were overwhelmed to see the launch of the lunar spacecraft, and they felt a sense of pride. The aim of showing the live launch was to develop their interest in space research and help the students keep abreast of the latest science and technological achievements of the country.





# Student Council Elections

Day/Date: Friday, 21 July , 2023



Students are the heartbeat of an institution and their voices should be heard when it comes to shaping policies and initiatives.

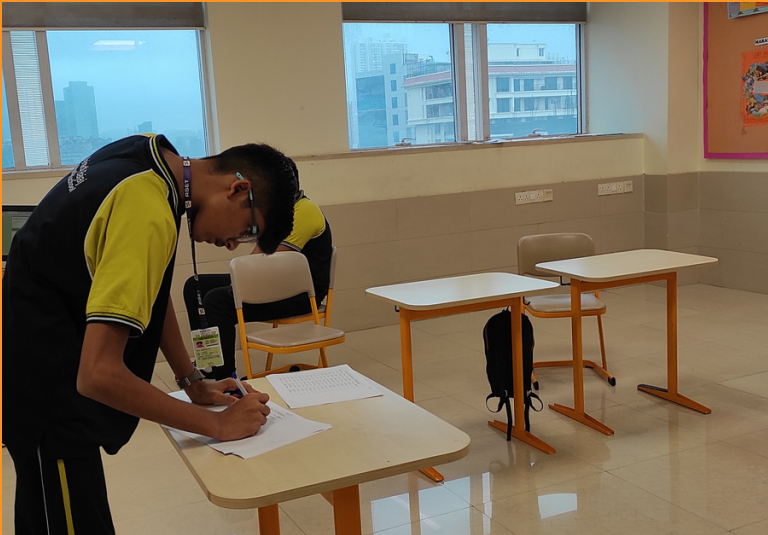
The MBIS student council has been the forefront of driving positive change within our school. From organizing impactful events to spearheading community service projects, our council has consistently worked towards enhancing the student experience.

Democracy ensures that every voice is heard and every vote counts. . During the student council elections, students chose representatives through online elections process. By participating in the voting process, students had the opportunity to elect individuals who would advocate for them and work towards addressing their needs.

The newly elected Student Council: 2023-24 consists of 34 students from Grades 5 to the A Levels. The Council consists of Heads, SEWA Representatives, Captains, Vice Captains, Prefects, Asst. Prefects and Junior Captains.

By actively involving students in decision-making processes, we at MBIS create a sense of ownership and empowerment among our students. By showcasing the power of student voice, we inspire future generations to take an active role in shaping the school environment and look forward for the remarkable initiatives undertaken by our student council, highlighting the passion and dedication of our council members. Let us continue to support and celebrate the efforts of our student council as they work tirelessly to make a positive difference with our school.







# Van Mahotsav

On 25 July 2023, students of MBIS joined the nation in celebrating Van Mahotsav. Van Mahotsav is an annual tree-planting festival in India. The celebrations began two weeks prior where students from Grades 6 to 12 were involved in tree/saplings plantations in their houses and the building gardens. On the day of the event, the celebrations involved songs and poems, composed, sung, and recited by the students themselves. While Vanessa from A Level sang a song, then Aishi from Grade 6 and Varuni from AS Level recited poems in English and Mahek from AS Level, and Arush and Himnish from Grade 8 recited poems in Hindi. The teachers too participated by singing a Rap song on the need to do our bit for the environment. The programme culminated with enriching speeches from the Principal – Dr. Padmajaa and Coordinator, Ms. Padma.



# Bonjour France – French Fest

Day/Date: Friday, 28 July , 2023



This year Bonjour France wore a glamorous look as we organised an inter-house fashion show competition with the theme “Best Out of Waste “ And the students or rather the models sizzled the ramp with costumes which were made out of waste materials like newspapers, cardboards, CDs, plastic and more. The presentation of ideas of each house in French allowed the students to display their French linguistic skills and left them pondering upon the idea of reusing waste and review their consumption habits.

To add zeal and vibrancy to the fest, a funfair (**Une fête foraine**) was also organised from **12.00 noon onwards**. The students from Grade 6 and above had put up an array of lip smacking food stalls- from nachos to fries to cupcakes and more. There were games stalls as well – tattoo making , pin the baguette and more. As this event was integrated with **SEWA, our Outreach Programme**, the proceeds of this event will be diverted towards a social cause.







# Academic Activities

## EGP

Every Friday the A-level students bring a word beginning with the initial of their names, along with the word's meaning. They also made envelopes which are displayed in their class. Before they put the words in their respective envelopes, they read the word aloud along with its meaning. This activity further develops a better register and helps incorporate those words in their essays to make the essay rich in language.

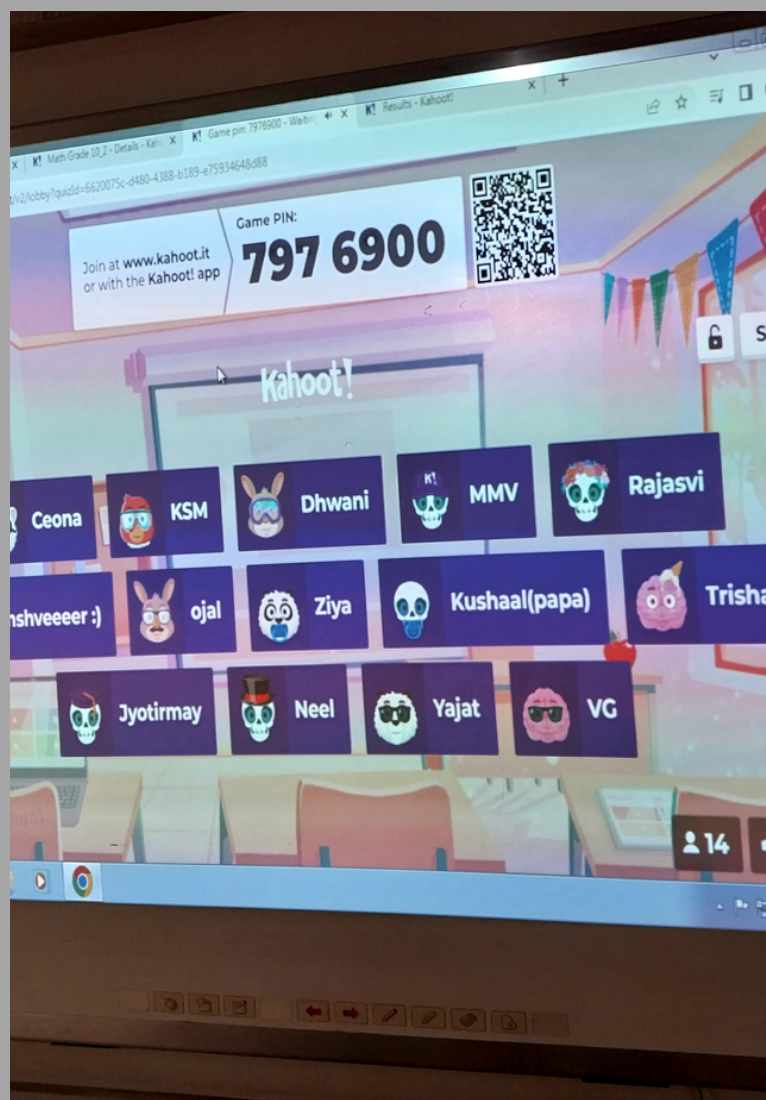


## Math

Tired of hearing groans when announced it's time for math. These math games and activities spiced up our Grade 10 learning. Kids were all up and moving, using their whole bodies to learn. These ideas were used to teach concepts of probability and revision of statistics.

Children learn probability best when given practical opportunities to see it in action. They modelled the probability of certain events using a die. Math online games like Kahoot help practice math skills using fun interactive content. Students had all their bones tickled while attempting this quiz.







# Teacher Enrichment

An enriching session was conducted for teachers on 29 June, 2023 as the Principal welcomed them into the new Academic Year 2023-24. As educators, it is vital that we create a learning environment that is not only relevant, but also engaging for our students. One effective way to achieve this is by incorporating current affairs into our teaching practices. By using real-world events and issues, teachers can enhance the classroom experience, foster critical thinking skills, and promote a more profound understanding of the subject matter. Mr Anansh Prasad, the Resource Person brainstormed on various strategies, and discussed the benefits of bringing Globalisation and Internationalism through discussion of Current Affairs in classroom interactions.

## 1. Stay Informed:

To effectively utilize current affairs in teaching, it is crucial for teachers to stay well-informed about local, national, and international events. Set aside time each day to read news articles, watch news bulletins, and follow reputable online sources. This practice will not only equip you with up-to-date information but also enable you to curate relevant content for classroom discussions.

## 2. Make Connections:

The key to integrating current affairs into teaching is to establish meaningful connections between the subject material and real-world events. Identify concepts or themes in the curriculum that can be linked to recent news stories. For example, if teaching a history lesson on World War II, incorporate discussions on how past conflicts have shaped international relations today. Encourage students to critically analyze the impact of historical events on current affairs.

## 3. Engage in Debates and Discussions:

Current affairs discussions provide a platform for lively debates and reflective classroom conversations. Encourage students to express their opinions, challenge ideas, and critically evaluate various perspectives. Such interactions promote the development of critical thinking, analytical skills, and effective communication. Teachers can also organize mock debates, panel discussions, or collaborative projects centering around current affairs topics to foster active student engagement.





#### 4. Use Multimedia Resources:

Leverage the power of multimedia resources to bring current affairs into the classroom. Utilize relevant videos, news clips, infographics, or documentaries to supplement your lessons. These visual aids not only help to capture students' attention but also offer different perspectives on complex issues. Additionally, incorporating technology will make the learning experience more interactive and immersive.

#### 5. Encourage Research and Fact-Checking:

In today's information-rich world, promoting media literacy and critical research skills is essential. Encourage students to research and fact-check information related to current affairs topics. Provide them with reliable resources and teach them how to discern credible sources from unreliable ones. This practice fosters critical thinking skills, media literacy, and the ability to make informed judgments.

#### Benefits of Using Current Affairs in Teaching:

- **Relevance:** Integrating current affairs makes learning more meaningful and applicable to students' lives.
- **Critical Thinking:** Engaging with real-world issues encourages students to think critically, analyze different viewpoints, and form their own opinions.
- **Global Awareness:** Current affairs exploration promotes an understanding of global issues, cultural diversity, and interconnectedness.
- **Empathy and Perspective-Taking:** Discussions on current affairs topics enable students to develop empathy and understand diverse perspectives.







# IIMUN Conference

On 21 July 2023, students of grades 8 to 12 participated in an event - the Back to School series hosted by I.I.M.U.N. (India's International Movement to Unite Nations). Filmmaker Karan Johar and actors Alia Bhatt and Ranveer Singh were the guests of honor and they interacted with over 50000 students from over 100 cities across India. Students present at the event hall as well as those who joined the event online asked questions on varied topics and each of those questions were answered to. The event ended with students dancing to a song from a movie of the two actors yet to be released.

