

NEWSLETTER- OCTOBER 2019

1. Gandhi Jayanti-2nd October 2019-

Gandhi Jayanti was celebrated as the school conducted several activities. Creative expression is one such aspect where our students have novel and innovative approaches. Videos and documentaries on the values and ideals of Satyagraha and the Mahatma were shown a special quiz was organised. Pupils of class 4 were asked to develop their own Peace Slogans. Students of Class 5 engaged in a Group discussion and the need for Gandhiji's message in our society today. Pupils of Class 6 & 7 wrote an essay with a direct message to the youth of India.

2. Shramdaan activity – 6th October 2019-

This was a cleanliness drive undertaken by our children in keeping with the National **Swachh Bharat** programme. This programme also commemorated the 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

3. Waste and Newspaper Drive-

A newspaper drive was conducted in order to make recycled paper pencils. Partnering with **My Brain**, children were encouraged to bring in waste paper which was then recycled and reused in order to make environmentally friendly pencils. This is a new and novel way of making pencils without wood and therefore, saving the chopping down of lakhs of trees in India.

4. 1st October onwards- Remedial & support classes conducted-

In order to support pupils who, require academic assistance, additional classes were held during the first half of October. Our teachers were able to provide dedicated time and improvement measures to our pupils. We have seen a tremendous improvement in academic output as a direct result of this.

5. Half Yearly Examinations-

Half Yearly Examinations were conducted as per the norms & guidelines of the Board of Education. Our trained teachers continue to use Bloom's Taxonomy- A Cognitive Developmental Tool, in their teaching and testing methodology.

This cognitive domain includes 6 levels of learning objectives.

1. Remembering 2. Understanding 3. Creating. 4. Applying 5. Analysing 6. Evaluating

6. Field Trips- Fun & Learning outside the classroom

16th October 2019- Classes 1 to 3

Our children visited **Naturofeels – Adventure Park**. Fun activities included rope climbing, net tunnelling and crawling, Burma bridge crossing, as well as, an Aero modelling show and tractor rides.

17th October 2019- Classes 4 & 5

Our children visited the **Ellora Caves**, a UNESCO World heritage site. It is one of the largest rock-cut monastery- temple cave complexes in the world featuring artwork dating back to the 600-1000 BC. Built close to one another, these caves illustrate India's religious harmony and is today a major source of pride for the Marathwada region of Maharashtra.

17th October 2019- Classes 6 & 7

Our children visited **Bibi ka Maqbara**. Being one of the most famous monuments in Maharashtra, it is a marvel of scientific construction in the form of a hexagon.

They also visited **Aurangabad Caves** which are 12 rock cut Buddhist shrines dating back to the 6th & 8th Century.

7. Stress Management Programme for pupils-

This was conducted in the school in order to help children cope with academic pressure. This programme was conducted across the first week of October for different classes during different sessions. Various tools, techniques and suggestions were discussed and demonstrated, so that our children would develop mechanisms and coping skills. This approach was overseen by our Child Psychologist, Dr Nidhie Navander and Principal, Mr Michael James.

8. Principal attends Global Learning Training Programme- 12th October 2019

Elements of the training included-

Teaching core skills of a global citizen

Activity Oriented Learning

Whole Brain Thinking

5 Pillars of Education – Experiential Learning, Cross Curricular Links, Critical Thinking, Differentiated Learning, Art-Music Integration,

9. Inter-House Football Match –18th October 2019

A knock-out tournament was conducted on 18th October 2019. This was a grand tournament conducted over 2 days replete with cheerleaders and flavours of the World Cup in a thrilling finish with the match ending in penalty shoot-outs. The Championship trophy was bagged by Falcon House.

10. Parent-Teacher Meeting- 19th October 2019

Thank you for your support and your appreciation for all the work done by the teachers of Royal Oaks World School. As you well know, we remain committed to bringing out the very best in your child.

On behalf of the Management, Staff and pupils, I take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a very Happy Diwali and a wonderful time of togetherness with family and friends.

School re-opens on 4th November 2019