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"Let the children come unto me, do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." Holy Bible.



Knowledge Never Stops

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Dear All.

Hope you are fine, taking care of yourself & your family.

I would like to thank all the teachers & parents for their cooperation in successfully completing the first term exam through online mode. As we all know the lockdown period

is over and the unlock period is on with more relaxation, but at the same time we should be cautious against the widespread of Coivd19. This pandemic has changed the way we live, many are affected & many have benefited too. But now it is the time to think differently about what we already have and how to put it in use. In this lockdown we have seen its brighter side too like the concentration amount of PM 2.5 has reduced, clean skies & clean water bodies, change in



climate and wildlife are the better examples. As for Covid19 vaccine there is no certainty, but we shouldn't be uncertain about our life. The world has changed to online culture. Online classes to online concerts are as usual thing. It is not easy for all to quickly adapt to the changes, but our willingness and determination can do wonders in our life.

We don't grow when things are easy, we grow when we face challenges. Be strong and face the challenges.

Another news to rejoice is that our school band "Clarion" has been entitled as WINNER in the Talent of Bollywood show. I thank all the stake holders who have whole heartedly supported.

STAY FIT, STAY SAFE

**Aby Thomas Alex** 

# **Heartfelt Condolence**



In the sudden demise of our student **Mohit studying in V - D Nebsarai branch.** May his soul rest in peace.

# CHARITY

#### A PHILANTHROPIC ARM OF ST. MARY'S

"The most useful asset of a person is not a head full of knowledge, but a heart full of love, with ears open to listen and hands willing to help"

Last Quarter we have Contributed **Rs.66,500/-** towards various purposes like:

- Prachodana Social Service Society
- Medical Assistance To Patients
- → Religious Institutions
- Educational Scholarships





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We have also provided 7 Mobile Phones to needy students.

# **CBSE CLASS XII RESULT (2019-20)**

#### **OVERALL TOPPERS**



GARIMA MANRAI 96.20%



JATIN KUMAR 95.80%



SIMON SHAJI 94.60%



ANIKET ARORA 94.4%



SAKSHI AGGARWAL 92.60%

#### OUTSTANDING PERFORMERS



JATIN KUMAR ACCS 98 % B. STUDIES 96 % I.P. **MATHS** 95 %



POL-SCIENCE 98 % ECONOMICS 98 % ENGLISH 97 % SOCIO. 96% HISTORY 95%



GARIMA MANRAL ANJALI KANDPAL



**INDERJEET** 97 %



SIMON SHAJI

**HISTORY** 

HINDI

GEOGRAPHY 96 % HISTORY

95 %

93 %



**NANDINI** 



**GUNJAN** 

95 % HISTORY



KARAN BAHAR

95 % MATHEMATICS 95% PHYSICAL EDU 94%



A Big Salute To The Stake Holders

Scoring 100% results in CBSE exams is not a new thing in the history of St. Mary's. Right from 1997 St. Mary's Public School, Neb Sarai is one among the Schools with 100% pass candidates in the records of the Education Department. Let it be the 24 students of the 1st batch or the 385 students of the 2020 batch. The Management, all the teachers - Nursery to Class XII, students, parents and the non-teaching staff, all deserve a good applause for making this possible. Dear students, you kept your promise and did not let us down.

"When you are surrounded by people who share a passionate commitment around a common purpose, nothing is impossible" - a very suitable quote to highlight the efforts of each and every person who worked towards accomplishing this unique target. I would like to extend my gratitude to all, especially our teachers. It is your dedication and consistent support, that changed the classroom into to safe place filled with the wonders and joys of learning for the pupils. Nobody can deny your toil - long hours of work for designing the challenging lessons, untiring lectures to clear the concepts, guiding students through their learning process, assignments, remedial classes, tests and re-tests, discussions with subordinates and parents - you left no stone unturned to empower your students with the optimum knowledge, the strong character traits that will help them become good human beings and by providing them with limitless options for their life path and careers.

Now, a word on behalf of all the teachers. The ultimate blessing in disguise is the strong support and non-interfering nature of the Management and our Respected Principal. We were never worried about 'what the boss may think' which eventually gave us a confidence to go ahead with our own strategies in designing our classes. Thank you so much for all the support that you gave us and the appreciation you showered upon us. It is a catalyst that rejuvenates us and a spark that lights a fire of joy in us.

Let me conclude by congratulating all for this great achievement.

May God Bless Us All!

Thank you.

# **CBSE CLASS X RESULT (2019-20)**

#### **OVERALL TOPPERS**



**NEHA PARVEEN** 95.60 %



TANYA KHUSHWAHA 94.40 %



**NAISHA NANDANI** 93.40 %

#### TSTANDING PERFORMERS



NAISHA NANDANI NEHA PARVEEN AYESHA PARVEEN



ENGLISH 95% HINDI 96%





HINDI 96%



**PRFFTY HINDI 96%** 



**VIVEK KUMAR** MATHS 99%



TANYA KUSHWAHA SCIENCE 97%

IT 99%



**ANUSHKA PILLAI SOCIAL SCIENCE 100%** 

Luna Rajan (Vice-Principal)



# CLARION'S MUSICAL JOURNEY



larion, the esteemed bagpipe band of St. Mary's Public School was established in the year 2008 under the supervision of Mr. Vikas Thapa. He ensembled the band at the behest of our founder Principal Respected Dr. Thomas George, whose vision gave birth to a musical ecstasy. Clarion was the torchbearer in several school events, however, the breakthrough came in the year 2011. After being taken over by Mr. Rohit Thapa as band instructor in 2010, a year later the band participated in an inter-school bagpipe band competition at Maharaja Sawai Man Singh Vidyalaya, Jaipur, and secured the first position. Clarion was the first-ever band to achieve this glory and went on to become the only bagpipe band from Delhi to achieve this honor four times in the years that followed. In 2015. while competiting with thirteen other bands, Clarion was awarded the honor of the 'Best Band Leader' at Delhi Public School, Jaipur. The band never looked back since and

represented the school at several events. Clarion won the zonal competition for four consecutive years as the talent of the band stands unprecedented. The school and band were invited to lead the march-past on the occasion of Zonal Day at Tyagraj Stadium, Delhi. The recent feather in the golden hat of Clarion was planted when the school band participated in 'Talent of Bollywood', a talent hunt competition organized at the national level. Clarion secured the first position in the other talent category and an overall second position. The achievements are never-ending, however, the consistent support of the school staff and especially our venerable Principal Mrs. Daisy Thomas cannot be undermined in the overaching success of Clarion.

#### **Rohit Thapa**

Band Instructor (Clarion)

# **CELEBRATING VIRTUALLY**

#### **TEACHERS' DAY**

ur teachers have been bracing online classes and household chores with gusto to ensure that the pandemic does not put a pause on the education of their pupils.

The Covid 19 pandemic is changing our ways of celebration but still on this Teacher's Day, we wanted our entire fraternity to acknowledge the precious contribution of ST. MARY'S teaching community.

We wanted to make this day special and surprising, and in this context social media proved to be very helpful to us. We searched for content and finally after learning about editing it was easier for us to continue the planning and execution of virtual celebration.

Our team members put so much efforts in preparing the video and forwarding the ideas of collage, speeches, songs, but then also we were not satisfied and then we watched MS Dhoni's retirement video and decided to add a retro, the idea of adding "Tera mujhse hai phle ka nata koi " song came through his video.

Our whole team worked till 2AM a day before the programme, discussing and compiling the video .We were nervous at first but then we were overwhelmed with happiness when our mentors appreciated us.

I would sincerely like to thank my friends Tarun Sharma and Ashwini Dey (XII E) for Editing and Compilation , Kamal Pariyar(XII D) and Katyayini Rawat (XII E) for Rap and Song composition , Nandini (X E) for Poetry , Utkarsh Jha (XII E) and Farheen Ansari (XII A) for Speech and Story writing.

Farheen Ansari (XII A)

#### INDEPENDENCE DAY

ndependence Day celebrations at school often mean a beautifully decorated campus in ribbons and balloons of the national flag's colours, students proudly singing the anthem, and looking forward to presenting some amazing dance and song performances. This year, Covid-19 has shut schools indefinitely and added a twist to the 74th Independence Day celebrations. To satisfy the fervour, our school opted for a virtual route. The flag hoisting ceremony streamed live on the school's social media page. It took place within the school premises in the presence of a very limited staff that helped to maintain proper social distancing. In the run-up to Independence week, students took part in a medley of patriotic songs, poem recitation, and portrait making competition all done online.

"The key event of the day of course was a video of patriotic songs, poems, and speeches made by class X-E students with the help of their teachers and friends.

Nandini Sharma (XE)



# **ADVERSITY BRINGS OUT OUR BEST**

Right now, we are a part of rarest history in Covid-19 era. It has confined us in our homes. This is an unusual situation and very testing time. The present situation truly justifies the idiom -- 'Every coin has two sides'.

On the one hand, each person struggles to survive but, on the other, this crisis is like a veiled blessing, allowing us to learn and unlearn in the 'new normal'. The realization that has begun to seep in like that of personal hygiene maintenance and social distancing can save many from becoming victims of the disease. With schools being shut, students all over the world are relying only on virtual support not only for academics but also for co-curricular activities. Parents are playing their part of being a teacher 'teacher at home' for all 'homeschoolers'. Earlier we teachers were using technology partially but in this situation; we are now more than 95% dependent on various techsavvy teaching methods and other learning activities. Now by this time we all are set for innovation, new solutions and are very confident to take this further for everyone's gain. History will witness how these testing times were transformed into learning based on competence along with blended teaching and learning skills.

I personally believe that children who, because of their busy school life, were previously oblivious of their obligations as a son or daughter are now devoting more time to supporting parents at home. This is the perfect time for students to develop self-consciousness and learn the real significance of tolerance, sensitivity, and compassion.

Anupma Jha Teacher (Sainik Farm) A scenario like a lockdown can drive someone nuts, as there is simply nothing to do-no friends meeting, no outdoor activities, etc. However, I am grateful that my education in these peculiar conditions has not suffered at all. Our Principal Mrs. Daisy Thomas took care of this by offering high-quality digital classroom experience, video, and other immersive audio-visual learning resources to us online students.

Our teachers present their lectures with commitment and conviction. We are being taught all the subjects through the google meet platform in an immersive way. I can make full use of my time and my friends, too, are happy with the school's efforts. After I have completed my assignment. I keep myself occupied by playing games like ludo with my family. I believe this is a wonderful time for us to explore and do more.

Kanishka Gurung (XII A)

We are living through an extraordinary and unprecedented situation. The slow rhythm of the day is reminiscent of how we would spend time when our school is closed. This is a typical leisure lifestyle, which offers us many opportunities. I am spending quality time with my family and developing new hobbies as well as skills by watching YouTube videos. Apart from schoolwork through virtual e learning. I help my family in household chores and water plants. To stay fit, I also play indoor games and do light exercises. I feel myself entering a more focused state that instantly banishes my anxiety. It makes me calmer and more meditative. Besides the mental benefits, it is comforting to create something beautiful and tangible.

Drishti (XD)

COVID 19 has made life challenging for everyone. But that's what life is, unpredictable! I am optimistic that our better version comes out of this pandemic situation and we emerge to be smarter, more aware, learned, and humble. Technology is at our fingertips today and if we can use it to our advantage, it can enhance our lives. I am enjoying this new experience of digitization in education. I have learned painting, typing, cooking, and singing all through online tutorials. I am not going to let COVID 19 defeat me. These are challenging times but the crises cannot defeat the spirit within me.

T. Jay Laxmi (X-A)

# **E-TEACHING - A NEW WORLD ORDER**

Routine is one of the things that keeps us plodding along quite comfortably, so a sudden break really throws you off.

Transition from in-person to online teaching had generated several challenges and opportunities for both academics and students. Most of us have had to adapt to technology that we weren't familiar with, overnight.

Schedule preparation for the next day for each teacher in the group was often followed by the redressal of challenges that the teachers were up against. We had to maintain the bench of education set by St. Mary's and our own image in the minds of students, that's what kept us going despite all the hurdles.

Although it was time-consuming and exceptionally hard labour for teachers, students responded positively and showed interest. They actively participated in the lessons, asked and answered questions as well as completed tasks in real time. Students also had to adjust their routines and sometimes had to contend with technological and

connection issues, but all of them loved the experience much to our satisfaction. Although distance learning had increased communication difficulties, we were still able to ask questions both during lesson time and after school as well as to get feedback on our homework.

It is a significant endorsement of what we did that student absence rate was almost negligible and we also had a number of very positive comments from parents who were particularly grateful for our interaction with their children. This whole thing has come together through a huge team effort.

We are still not aware as to when things will be back to normal. So, instead of leaving everything to the future, teachers should plan ahead, keeping one thing in mind — that learning should never stop."

**Nitisha** Teacher (Neb Sarai)

# "सपनों में रख आस्था"

सपनों में रख आस्था कर्म तू किए जा, त्याग से ना डर अलस परित्याग किए जा.

> गलती कर ना घबरा। गिरकर फिर हो जा खड़ा।

समस्याओं को रास्तों से निकाल दे। चट्टान भी हो तो ठोकर से उछाल दे।

रख हिम्मत तूफानों से टकराने की। जरुरत नहीं है किसी मुसीबत से घबराने की।

जो पाना है बस उसकी एक जूनून की तरह चाहत कर। करता रह कर्म मगर साथ में खुदा की इबादत भी कर।

> फिर देख किस्मत क्या-क्या रंग दिखलाएगी। तुझको तेरी मंजिल मिल जाएगी।

मुश्किल नहीं कुछ भी दुनिया में तू जरा हिम्मत तो कर, ख्वाब बदलेंगे हकीकत में, तू जरा कोशिश तो कर।

> ऑधियाँ सदा चलती नहीं, मिलें सदा रहती नहीं, मिलेंगी तुझे मंजिल तेरी, बस तू जरा कोशिश तो कर।

> > रीना अवस्थी शिक्षिका (सैनिक फार्म)

#### **INDIA-MY COUNTRY**

India is my country
We all are its boundary
We have to protect it from
terrorist robbery

India is my country
We live here with peace
We don't want piece
Which will separate us from each

India is my country
We have the temple of gold
We have a body such a bold
We will defeat our enemy who
will come in our peaceful road.

Tanishqa, V-B (Neb Sarai)

#### LIFE

Life is a tunnel,
We have to cross it.
Life is a problem
We have to face it.
Life is a game
We have to play it.
Life is a friend
We have to trust it.
Life is a lesson
We have to learn it.
Life is a duty
We have to complete it.
Life is a goal
We have to achieve it.

**Bhumi Yadav** VII-B (Neb Sarai)

#### हिंदी भाषा का आधार

वर्णमाला हिंदी की, वैज्ञानिक मनभावन।

13 स्वर, 39 व्यंजन, 'अक्षर' इसमें बावन।।

कोई भी हो नाम अगर तो, संज्ञा वह कहलाता।

संज्ञा के बदले जो आता, सर्वनाम बन जाता।।

कोई भी हो काम अगर तो, क्रिया उसे कहते हैं।

जिनका रूप कभी न बदले, अव्यय शब्द होते हैं।।

पुरुष जाति का बोध कराते, शब्द कहलाते पुल्लिंग।

स्त्री जाति का बोध कराते, शब्द वही 'स्त्रीलिंग।।

जिन शब्दों का अर्थ एक सा, होते पर्यायवाची शब्द।

एक दूसरे से जो उल्टे, होते विलोम शब्द।।

तीन पुरुष हिंदी में होते, उत्तम, मध्यम, अन्य।

उत्तम में हूँ, मध्यम तुम हो तीसरा होता अन्य।।

संख्या में हो एक अकेला, होता 'एकवचन' है।

अगर एक से ज्यादा हो तो, बनता 'बहुवचन' है।।

कृष्णा शर्मा कक्षा-नवीं एफ

#### **TEACHERS-OUR GUIDES**

Teachers Paint their minds And guide their thoughts Share their achievements And advise their faults. Inspire a Love Of Knowledge and Truth As you light the path Which leads our youth. For our future brightens With lesson you teach Each smile you lengthen Each goal you help to reach. For the dawn of each poet Each philosopher and king Begins with a teacher And the wisdom they begin.

> Shivika Bhatnagar VII-A (Neb Sarai)

# FRIENDS-MEANS SO MUCH TO ME

I can talk with a friend And walk with a friend And share my umbrella in the rain.

I can play with a friend And stay with a friend And learn with a friend and explain.

I can eat with a friend And compete with a friend And even sometimes disagree.

I can ride with a friend And take pride with a friend A friend can means so much to me!

Chitrali Vats
III-A (Neb Sarai)

#### HARD WORK AND SUCCESS

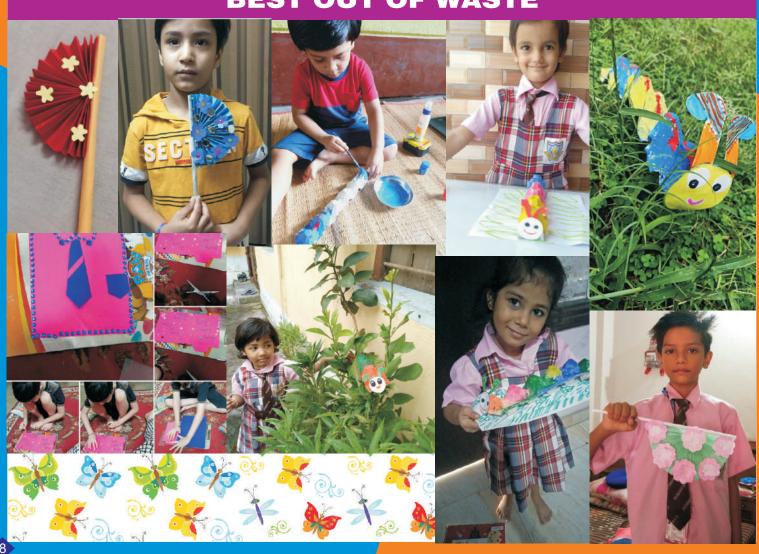
Hard work is a key to success. It is said that hard work and success go hand in hand. Many inspirational fables are there to prove this fact. All the successful people of the world have one common reason for their success; it is their hard labour. The examples of Gandhiji and Edison show that hard work ultimately pays off. There is no replacement of hard work for prosperity. No matter how talented you are, you've to work hard to excel in life. It's not about competition only, it's also about determination and consistency. We need to work hard for prosperity because success demands dedication. No matter which profession you choose which career you aim at, you've to work hard to perform the best and make it to the top.



# **TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATIONS**



# **OUT OF WASTE**



#### A SALUTE TO THE TEACHERS

Being the right person at the right time may be enough to change a person's life forever. All are constantly changing, whether for the good or the bad. No one stays the same. A teacher changes lives. Having a positive influence in the form of a teacher can make or break a human being. Great inventors and leaders are not born but motivated and inspired to do great things. If there were no teachers, all other professions would not exist. Teacher is a person who always helps everybody to get the knowledge and always stands beside the students when they have problems. So on behalf of every student I salute all the teachers.

Enikta - III C (Devli)

#### **HEALTHY LIFESTYLE**

It is very easy to learn and maintain bad habits but it is very difficult to switch them back. For keeping our body and mind healthy we've to follow certain rules that will help in achieving goal. For being healthy we've to plan and follow a strict and balanced diet. In addition wake-up early and go for a walk. Doing exercise regularly makes our body more active and energetic.

Though we are living in the era of technology, everyone is depended on it. There are some drawbacks of the technology. For example, most of us are obsessed with the mobile phones. Actually these phones are causing many physical and mental problems. So we've to avoid the negative effects of mobiles by reducing the usage of them.

By staying healthy we can reduce the risk of many diseases. In short we can say that a healthy lifestyle has many benefits and the person who follows this style can live longer as compared to those who do not.

Mayank Bisht, IV C (Devli)

#### **My India My Pride-Interesting Facts**

- ➤ India never invaded any country in her last 100000 years of history.
- The name 'India' is derived from the River Indus, the valleys around which were the home of the early settlers.
- Chess was invented in India.
- ➤ The 'Place Value System' and the 'Decimal System' were developed in India in 100 B.C.
- ➤ The game of Snakes & Ladders was created by the 13th century poet saint Gyandev. It was originally called 'Mokshapat'.
- ➤ The world's highest cricket ground is in Chail, Himachal Pradesh. Built in 1893 after levelling a hilltop, this cricket pitch is 2444 meters above sea level.
- India has the largest number of Post Offices in the world.
- ➤ The largest employer in India is the Indian Railways, employing over a million people.
- ➤ India is the world's largest producer of milk. Having recently overtaking the European Union, milk production in India reached over 132.4 million tonnes in 2014.

Saransh Patwal, VII-C (Neb Sarai)

#### TIME

Time is always on the move, It never waits. Whether you are so high, It can't be back, when it passes by.

You may be intelligent,
You may be clever.
But if once lost, it is lost forever,
It is a thing you cannot borrow.

Limited life, so limited time, It is always at the prime. Time is always on the move, So my dear friends, make its best use.

Mannat Verma, IV-A (Neb Sarai)

# शेर और गाय

बहुत समय पहले, एक गाँव में बहुत सारी गायें रहती थीं। वो चारा चरने के लिए पास वाले जंगल में जाती थी। उसी जंगल में एक शेर रहता था।

वो शेर एक न एक गाय को चुनकर, मारकर खा जाता था। इस बात को लेकर सभी गायों ने एक बैठक बुलाई। उसी बैठक में से एक समझदार बोला अब से हम सब एक ही झुंड में जाएँगे। सभी उसकी बात से सहमत हुए अगले दिन वो सभी गायें झुंड में इकट्ठा होकर गई। शेर उनके झुंड को देखकर डर के मारे भाग गया।

शिक्षा : विभाजित हम गिर जाते हैं। संयुक्त हम खड़े।

आफिया सलीम, छटी बी (देवली)

# पेड लगाओ

पेड़ लगाओ पेड़ लगाओ हरा भरा जीवन बनाओ। हम भी पेड़ लगाएँगे प्रदूषण दूर भगाएँगे । घर की प्यारी बिगया में मैंने पौघा एक लगाया छोटे छोटे हाथों से जल देकर उसको हरा बनाया। पत्ते लाल हरे फूटे किलयाँ उस पर खिल आई। फूल फूल से खुशबू निकली सारी बिगया महकाई।

रचित नेगीए, छटी बी (देवली)

#### Your Rest

If you always try your best
Then you'll never have to wonder
About what you could have done
If you'd summoned all your thunder
And if your best
Was not as good
As you hoped it would be.
You still could say.
"I gave today
All that I had in me."

Mohd. Farhan Ali, IV-A (Devli)

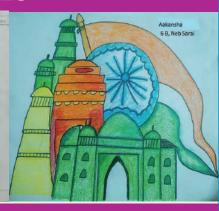
# **LOCKDOWN CREATIVE SKILLS**











# **HINDI DIWAS / GRAND PARENTS DAY**



# THE PEACOCK AND

One day a peacock met a crane and said, "So sorry for you. You have so dull feathers. Look at the fine colours of my feathers."

"Well!" replied the crane, "Your looks are brighter than mine. But whereas I can fly high up into the sky, all you can do is to strut on the ground!!"

MORAL: Never find faults in others.

Prerna, IV-C (Neb Sarai)

#### **AMAZING FACTS**

- 1. 5000 years old Varanasi is one of the oldest inhabited places in the world.
- 2. India is the second largest Englishspeaking nation.
- 3. First rocket of India transported by bicycle.
- 4. 'Indian Nation Kabaddi' team has won all World Cups.
- 5. The image of the Kumbh Mela gathering is visible from space.
- 6. There are over 300,000 mosques in India.
- 7. Benny Prasad, the fastest man in the world travelled around the world in 6.5 years.

Vasudha Singh, VII C (Devli)

#### AT THE ZOO

At the zoo,
Camels are bumpy,
Their heads are all humpy,
Giraffes are long- legged and meek;

Bears are so growly,
Hyenas are so howly,
Sea lions are so slippery and sleek,
Kangaroos have a pocket,
But no way to lock it;

Their babies can look out and peep,
But monkeys are funny,
I wish I had the money
Enough to buy one I could keep.

Satyam Rana, VI-B (Neb Sarai)

#### **WE BELIEVE**

We believe in being honest, true, chaste, benevolent, virtuous, and in doing good to all men; indeed, we may say that we follow the admonition of Paul - We believe all things, we hope all things, we have endured many things, and hope to be able to endure all things. If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report is praise worthy, we seek after these things.

Riya Roy, VI-D (Neb Sarai)

#### **POEM ON GOD'S GIFT**

I enjoy the shade of tree, The song of the birds, The beautiful animals, The colourful flowers.

I have parents who love me, Friends who play with me, A house to live in, Teachers to teach me.

I Use my eyes when I cross the roads, My ears to hear good things, My hands to dress myself, They all are God's gifts to me.

Khushi Choudhary, VIII-C (Neb Sarai)

#### कविता – कोरोना

कल रात मेरे सपने में आया कोरोना उसको देख मैं डरी तो मुस्कुरा कर बोला मुझसे डरो ना। मैं भी बोली सुन लो कोरोना तू मरेगा, तू मिटेगा, तुम्हें तुम्हारे पापों का दंड मिलेगा। कोरोना ने कहा—कितनी अच्छी है तुम्हारी संस्कृति। न चूमते, न गले लगाते, दोनों हाथ जोड़कर सबका स्वागत करते। रक्षण की है तुम्हारी संस्कृति, उसका भक्षण करो ना। कोरोना बोला डरो ना।

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