

# Mansukhbhai Kothari National School



## *INSIGHT* *Monthly Newsletter*

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# EDITORIAL

In the presence of trouble, some buy crutches, others grow wings.

You may fall into problems but this is the test to do your best. We should always face a challenge with How can we ? and not with Why can't we ? It is indeed an honour to say that patience, will-power, determination, courage and confidence are the sterling qualities of the mind and the MKNS fraternity has successfully imbibed qualities to overcome the challenges and set an excellent example.

This is a time of great changes. In education too we see major changes. The student today is an individual, is a real person with feelings of self - respect, sensitivity, responsibility and compassion. We need to recognize, appreciate, applaud and foster the fine blend of multiple skills in a child and thus -INSIGHT is to be viewed as a launch pad for each student's creative expression to blossom naturally. As the saying goes, ' Mind like parachute, works best when opened.' This humble initiative is to set the budding minds free allowing them to roam freely in the realm of imagination.

It has been proved that a man who wins, is the man who thinks he can. So have a positive attitude, as by being an optimist you can turn scars into stars and thus win laurels in life.

As we all know a newsletter mirrors a school-its aims and objectives. It is actually a milestone that marks our growth, unfolds our imagination and presents a beautiful mosaic of activities and creative talent of our students, highlighting their academic prowess and achievements. In each edition we are going to showcase the achievements, activities and events of our students and teachers. We do hope that this newsletter encourages many other students to use it as a platform to showcase their creativity.

The Editorial team takes this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude to our Principal Mrs Varsha Kokil, for entrusting us with the responsibility of adding another chapter to the history of MKNS. We thank the entire team for their endless support and co-operation.

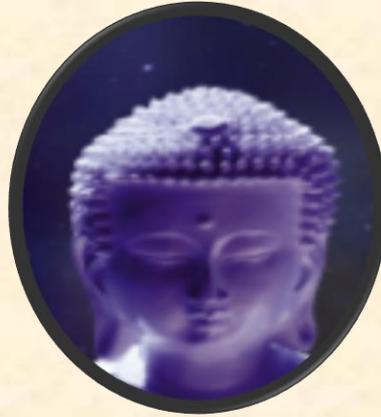
Dear Parents, you have indeed, walked the extra mile to ensure that our children make the best use of their time and opportunities.

On this inspiring note, we wish all our readers Happy Reading!

- Ms Alefiya Lohawala  
Ms Anjali Kshirsagar

# CORE VALUES

ZERO CONFLICT WORLD



PREFERRED FUTURE

EXCELLENCE ALL AROUND



OXYGENATED SPHERE



## II ALIVE IN OUR MEMORIES FOREVER II



**Mansukhbhai Kothari (Babuji)**



Founder Chairman  
25 July, 1925 - 27 Nov, 2015

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Synonymous to his name, Babuji was a happy soul who brought joy to every life that he touched. Through his journey from nowhere to the zenith, he lived his cherished dream to set up institutions where the future of India could be nurtured. His exemplary mantras of management laid a robust foundation for the Kothari Enterprise.

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# From The Chairperson's Desk



NAMASKAR! It gives me immense joy, pleasure, and satisfaction to learn that MKNS is bringing out its E-Magazine 'INSIGHT'. As the Chairperson of this hallowed institution, I am proud of the continued commitment exemplified by my teachers and students in the wake of the Corona Pandemic that has taught us to be prepared for the worst as we toil to reorganize our lives, adopting befitting measures into adapting to the new normal. In this, the resolute and resilient MKNS spirit remains strong in bringing out this newsletter.

MKNS has sincerely tried to be an amazing organism. I do not quite see anything with comparable vibrancy, brimming with so much excitement and energy. The chief constituents of MKNS, its young and old endearing quarks, are the lifeline of this school. They need to be treated with kid gloves as well as the ironmaster's hammer, metaphorically, of course, to mould them into 'pieces of perfection'. In serving our Beloved Baa and Babuji's vision and their dream for these future leaders of Maa Bharti, it will always be their welfare and growth first, each time and every time, so that they too, feel inspired to respond in kind, in the times to come, for their society, their country and the world at large.

The essence of education is to discover latent talent and to make full use of the Children's natural and creative abilities. I am sure this endeavour will provide an excellent forum to present fresh creations of young awakened minds that have been exposed to an innovative and meaningful education so that they can be made battle-ready for the life ahead that will check their preparedness. I am glad that MKNS continues to grow by leaps and bounds in its march towards perfecting the many formulae of success. This Temple of Education has teachers who believe in the 'Guide by the Side' theory rather than 'a Sage on the Stage' maxim and in this New Age Online Offline Learning, my heart swells with immense satiation to note that our dear children are in the safe hands of such committed Gurus.

Lastly, parents continue to be rock solid pillars of support for us. We thank them from the bottom of our hearts.

I extend my felicitations to the entire MKNS Fraternity under the able guidance of its Principal, the very passionate, Ms. Varsha Kokil, and wish them the very best in their imminent enterprises. A School Magazine is the best collective signature of its inmates - the Teacher and the Taught, a stamp of its evergrowing evolution, an organic attempt to showcase, display and advertise its competent fares.

I have no doubt that the MKNS Staff would leave no stone unturned in achieving the same. We do not wish to rest on our past laurels because every milestone reached, every deadline met and beaten, every record broken, every prize and contest won, only raises the bar and bestows a greater responsibility on all of us to not rest and not rust. It is our part in the grand scheme of things to harbor and nurture international desi denizens at MKNS who believe in 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' (The entire world is one family) and 'Om, Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah' (May everyone be happy!)

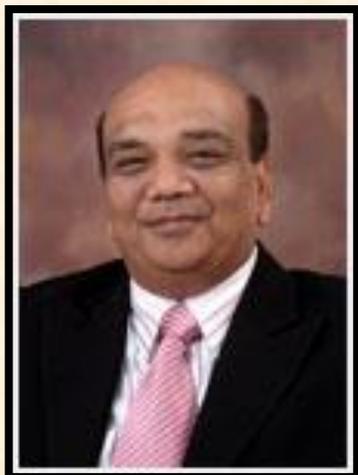
Kudos to the Editorial Team!! My Best Wishes are with the MKNS Principal, its erudite Faculty and the lifeline of any school – the Students!!

HAPPY READING!!

Yours sincerely

Aarti Kothari

# From The Chairman's Desk



Namaskar! Congratulations to the team at Mansukhbhai Kothari National School, Kondhwa, Pune for ideating this magnificent publication. As we bask in the glow of the multifarious efforts being showcased in this magazine, I am reminded of only one thing - the thirst for freedom, knowledge and the inordinate fearlessness and hard work put in by our late founder Shri M.M. Kothari, without whose benevolence, MKNS would have remained just a dream.

*My father, Shri M. M. Kothari, fondly known to us all as Babuji, was a man of extraordinary vision, despite, his humble beginnings. His story began in Narli, Gujarat almost 97 years ago. A fearless lad of just 16, Babuji dared to dream and what's more, he dared to achieve. His journey to the pinnacle had not been accidental, rather, incidental. When I asked my father what had driven him to dream big, his answer always remained the same – the thirst for knowledge and success.*

It is that passion for knowledge that lay the foundation for MKNS, as we know it today. This foundation was then reinforced with years of hard work, mutual respect for one another, discipline and a staunch commitment to integrity. We envisioned a school that was entrenched in the best educational practices, a school that allowed its students to fully and wholly explore their potential in a complete 360 model, a school where inclusivity was intrinsically molded to the basic framework, a school that embraced the ever-evolving systems of education, a school that works around the clock to maximize individual capabilities and intelligence, a school where everything is possible and the word 'impossible' was not heard of.

Today, MKNS has completed 11 long years of our journey in inclusive education. From one location in 2005, we are now present at different locations. What began as one man's journey, has been collectively shared, felt and experienced by thousands today.

Dare I say that we have achieved our goals today. Yes, I will with all conviction and confidence, say that MKNS is on an ongoing journey, meeting and surpassing its goals and I assure you that the buck will not stop here. We will continue to evolve, to educate, to emancipate, and to elevate MKNS and its people to levels never seen before and this, dear readers, is my unflinching commitment to you.

I hope and pray that all of us stay safe and healthy as we wait for these trying times to pass us by. Let us together, mould the future generations to be resilient, ingenious and original.

Thank you for being a part of the macrocosm of MKNS. I wish you all the very best!

Warm regards

Deepak Kothari

# Director's Message



**Mr Mayur Shah**  
Director  
MKNS

"Ultimately, education in its real sense is the pursuit of truth. It is an endless journey through knowledge and enlightenment."- APJ Abdul Kalam

Schools these days are not only meant to attain information and knowledge only, rather they are platforms for collaboration of thoughts and ideas. At MKNS we aspire to provide top quality education to all, with a well-balanced and relevant curriculum.

Academic excellence with character and personality development is our ultimate goal. The well chalked out academic and co-curricular programme enables the students to attain their full potential to develop sound work habits.

May we continue to give our students strong roots like the Banyan Tree and stronger wings to conquer the world!!

# Principal's Message

Dear Parents,  
Warm Greetings!

We welcome our students and parents to the AY 2022-23.  
Let us begin with hope, love and compassion.

Today, the role of a school is not only to pursue academic excellence but also to motivate and empower students to be the lifelong learners, critical thinkers, and proactive members of an ever-changing global society. MKNS believes in nurturing students to grow as responsible happy citizens, capable individuals and excel in their field of expertise.

I am glad to announce the launch of the 'Monthly Newsletter- Insight'. It will be posted on school website. This is an opportunity provided to the students to express their creativity, talent and achievement which are honed by them.

Taking in cognizance of the above, let us have a constructive collaboration for the academic, social competency and emotional well-being of each child.

At your service,  
Varsha Kokil  
Principal



# Co-ordinator's Message



“If a child can't learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn.” – Ignacio Estrad

Greetings!

It gives me great pleasure and feels wonderful to be a part of the Kothari Family and to serve as the Pre-primary Coordinator of Kothari Starz Preprimary (Mansukhbhai Kothari National School).

Pre-schooling is a stage of education which leaves its mark on one's entire life.

We, at Kothari Starz Preprimary strive for excellence by preparing students for learning beyond their school years and become life-long learners. I assure that we, the team at Kothari Starz (MKNS) in collaboration with the parents, develop a model of co-operation to bring the best results and create the right educational atmosphere for our students at school and at home.

At Kothari Starz Preprimary section, learning may be expressed in a variety of ways through language, play, drama, art, music and movement. We help children to develop their innate curiosity about the world around them. Children are involved in: in-depth thinking and hands-on experience to retain knowledge which helps them in their growing years. The holistic and joyful learning that happens here brings the children back to their roots even after they have moved to other sections.

I conclude with a message that every child is unique, limitless and ready to shine!

Warm Regards,

Ms Manisha Milani Asnani  
Preschool Co-ordinator  
[Kothari Starz](#)

“Education is not the learning of facts but the training of the mind to think”

- Albert Einstein

A good quality education is a foundation for dynamic and equitable societies.

At MKNS, we aim to prepare our students for effective participation in a rapidly evolving and increasingly global society. While the academic excellence is our major focus, we are also devoted to enhance the skills like team spirit, inquisitiveness, creativity, coordination and sympathy in a child, right at the foundational stage.

At MKNS, we believe that ‘children must be taught how to think, not what to think.’ MKNS provides an inclusive environment where students are

encouraged to put their best foot forward to achieve academic, sporting and social excellence.

The school provides an environment where the child realizes his worth as a responsible, balanced and valued member of the society; and believes in the concept of creating an ambient future for all. The school leaves no stone unturned to even provide counselling sessions from time to time.

We are focused on being a student and learning-centered school that is consistently moving forward in preparing students to be successful as modern global citizens along with the support of the cooperative parents.

Ms Varsha Shinde  
Co-ordinator  
MKNS



# COMMENCEMENT OF NEW SESSION

## Academic Year 2022-23

### It's school time again!



*I'm finally going to school this year,  
and now the big day's almost here.  
I'll learn to write and count and read--  
Only two more days till school.  
I got new pants and shirts and socks,  
a brand-new red and blue lunch box;  
I'll paint and sing and dance and play--  
Only one more day till school.  
My hair is washed, my sneakers squeak,  
I'm so excited, I can hardly speak!  
New things to do, new friends to meet--  
Hooray! It's the first day of school!*



The MKNS TEAM was exhilarated to welcome the students back to school after a long term of closure due to pandemic.

April 4, 2022 was a remarkable day for MKNS, as well as for parents and students.

Children probably felt excited and maybe a little sad that they had left home behind. Some kids felt nervous or a little scared on the first day of school because of all the new things: new teachers, new friends, and maybe even a new school. Luckily, these "new" worries only stuck around for a little while. Adorned with welcome posters, balloons and flowers, schools wore a festive look as students trickled into classrooms after a gap of 20 months. Finally, the much-awaited day had arrived. The MKNS team was very glad to see the students all healthy and happy. After a long battle with coronavirus, the school campus was vibrant again with their cheerfulness.

Outside the school, chalked messages lined the pavement: "We can't wait to see you!" and "Welcome Students". Signs directed parents to "Drop your kids off here" and "Hug and kiss goodbye here". Our little ones hesitated for some time but then made their way to the open double doors.

Teachers recommend giving some time to sort themselves out, once they knew their way around the building and got adjusted to the new routine, they probably felt better. The first lesson for all the students was dedicated to sharing more information about COVID-19 and related safety regulations. Children were also introduced to their daily schedules. The fact how important it is to be physically present in the classroom, to interact with friends, and to share opinions about different subjects with each other and also with their teachers was emphasized.

"After those challenging times, we are ready for a smooth start. A good beginning makes a big difference. So always keep your beginning focused and full of dedication. May you all make the best of this coming year with your hard work and patience", said the Principal, Ms Varsha Kokil.

# CLUB OF EXCELLENCE

National Education Policy has presented a few recommendations for the school education where in the schools are expected to groom the students with **Multifaceted skills and 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills.**

The school believes in **Horward Gardners Theory of 'Multiple Intelligence'** as every child is bestowed with a different kind of intelligence and skills.

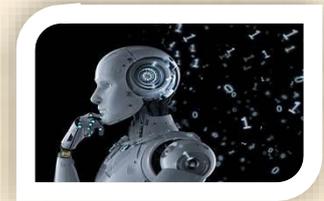
Taking cognizance of above the school is launching – '**Club of Excellence**'.

Under this club we are introducing following '**Learning Courses**' for the students as an '**opportunity to learn**' -



❖ **PRE-TINKERING LAB (Grade 1-5)**

❖ **CODING, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND ROBOTICS (Grade 6-10)**



❖ **ASTRONOMY CLUB (Grade 4-10)**

❖ **WESTERN VOCAL MUSIC**  
Trinity College of London (Grade K2 - 5)



❖ **FRENCH/SANSKRIT LANGUAGE**  
(Grade K2, 1 and Grade 8 - for those who wish to opt for French/Sanskrit in Grade 9 & 10)



**SELF DEFENSE CLUB (For girls Grade 4-7)**





# ACHIEVEMENTS



## CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE in 21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY SKILLS



*“Being Humble means recognizing that we are not on Earth to see how important we can become, but to see how much DIFFERENCE we can make in the lives of others.”- Gordon B. inckley.*

MKNS is humbled and glad to receive Certificate of Excellence in 21st Century Learning and appreciates the hardwork and efforts put in by the teachers to educate its students and to mould them into better citizens. It will continue to climb the ladder of success.

## BEST BOWLER AWARD

*“Only losers are making excuses, winners are making history”*

**Master Kawish Lokwani**, a nine year old student of Grade 4 had participated in Cricket Match, which was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022, at Loni Rock 27 Ground. The match was between Mansukhbhai Kothari National School, Kondhwa Pune and Kedar Jadhav Cricket Academy.

Master Kawish received an award as the ‘**Best Bowler**’ by umpire Mr. Gopal Waghmare of Maharashtra Cricket Academy.



# CELEBRATIONS

## SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - NATIONAL PET DAY

DAY : Monday

DATE: 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Ms Rhea Nanda conducted a special assembly on the school ground on account of 'National Pet Day' on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022 wherein students of Grade 5A participated. The students enacted a skit on how one should take care of their pets and learnt several values of life like compassion, responsibility, love, loyalty, kindness etc. The students gained knowledge about the supplies and care that are needed for different kinds of pets and what goes into caring for different kinds of pets. The students also learnt to form relationships, to love and cherish friends unconditionally, and enhanced their social skills.



## SPECIAL ASSEMBLY- JALLIANWALA BAGH MASSACRE

DAY : Tuesday

DATE: 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022

To pay tribute to the martyrs who have sacrificed their lives in Jallianwala Bagh at Amritsar. An assembly was organised by students of Grade-10 A under the guidance of Ms Razia on the topic of Jallianwala Bagh Massacre on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to pay tribute to the martyrs of the Jallianwala Bagh Massacre. The students understood the Jallianwala Bagh tragedy still continues to rankle in every Indian's heart.



## RED DAY CELEBRATION

DAY : Wednesday

DATE: 13<sup>th</sup> April 2022

“The best colour in the whole world is the one that looks good on you.”

The students of Kothari Starz (MKNS) celebrated the red colour day on 13th April 2022. All the little angels of Pre-primary and teachers had dressed up beautifully in red colour clothes. The class was decorated with all red colour balloons and red colour objects cut-out etc. Teachers were also dressed up in red colour clothes. The children were very amused and happy seeing the decoration in red colour. The following day continued with the introduction of red colour and activities related to red colour. All the children participated and everyone was very happy. A lovely day passed by, with getting introduced to the colour of love – Red.



## **SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - WORLD HERITAGE DAY**

DAY : Monday

DATE: 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022

***'Our rich and varied cultural heritage has profound power to help build our nation'-NELSON MANDELA***

Ms Preeti Patel conducted a class assembly on the school ground on account of World Heritage Day, which was held on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Students shared information about Maharashtra Heritage. Awareness related to preserve, protect and promote our heritage among the students through assembly was created.



## EARTH DAY- PRE-PRIMARY

DAY : Monday

DATE: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022

On April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022, Earth Day was celebrated to remind children of their responsibilities towards "Mother Nature." "Go-Green" was an initiative to engage children in making a difference. Pre-primary students of Kothari Starz (MKNS) dressed in green and blue participated in fun activities to celebrate Earth Day. The need and importance of nature conservation was instilled in the children. Seeds were sowed as part of Earth Day celebration.



## SPECIAL ASSEMBLY – EARTH DAY-GRADE 5

DAY : Tuesday

DATE: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022

**Clean is my Name, Green is our Game.**

An assembly was organised by the students of Grade-5 B on the theme of Earth Day on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022, to propel fellow students to feel a greater sense of urgency about protecting our planet. Through the skit as the medium, the students were acquainted with the fact that we, directly or indirectly are causing destruction to our Mother Earth. Varied ways to protect the Earth were also presented.



## SPECIAL ASSEMBLY – WORLD MALARIA DAY

DAY : Monday

DATE: 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022

On 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022, the morning assembly was presented by the students of Grade 4B and the theme was 'World Malaria Day'. It was executed under the guidance of their class teacher, Ms Lipy Kapoor. After the morning prayer and the pledge, the students started the presentation with the thought for the day followed by the news. A skit was enacted with the motive of creating awareness as to how malaria spreads. It concluded on a note of some precautionary measures, the need to keep the surroundings clean and cover oneself properly while stepping out.



## MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION – Pre-Primary

DAY : Tuesday

DATE: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Mother's Day is a special day, for all children and mothers, as it celebrates the bond of love and affection that is everlasting.

'Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while but their hearts forever'  
It was a pleasure for the teachers of Kothari Starz to welcome and honour the mothers on April 26th, 2022, to celebrate "Mom and Me" to show the bond of love.

All of the Pre-Primary classes, from PreK to K2, were filled with joy and happiness as the children spent quality time with their mothers. The event began with mothers being welcomed in the auditorium, followed by various class performances by the students. Melodious voices could be heard as children sang a song for their mothers to wish them a 'Happy Mother's Day,' followed by ramp walk by mothers accompanied by their child.

To make the event more interesting, pre-primary teachers created a selfie booth for mothers to click pictures with their children. Everyone, thoroughly enjoyed the programme.



## MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION – Grade 1 & 2

DAY : Thursday

DATE: 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022

***“A mother is the one who can take place of all others but whose place no one else can take” - Cardinal Mermillod***

On a bright sunny morning the gates of MKNS were opened to a great event organised exclusively for the mothers of Grade 1 and 2. The theme of the event was Mom and Me. Around 60 Mom and child duo from Grade 1 and 2 were present for the event. The event was organised at the school's auditorium where all the mothers were decked up with amazing twinning attire with their children. The event started with a beautiful prayer song- 'Like a Sunflower' followed by the students expressing their love for their mom on stage, sharing thoughts, poems about Mother. The program ended with a ravishing ramp walk by all the mothers of Grade 1 and 2. The program couldn't be a great success without the fervent support and guidance of respected Principal Ma'am and the Co-ordinator Ms Varsha Shinde. The event was anchored by Ms Sarita Sulakhe and concluded with vote of thanks by Ms Shubhangi Mali.







# ECO CLUB

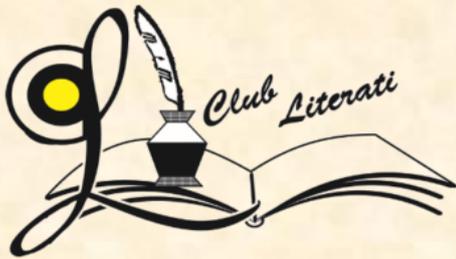
## CONNECTING WITH NATURE

*"For in the true nature of things, if we rightly consider, every green tree is far more glorious than if it were made of gold and silver." —Martin Luther King Jr.*

Earth Day was celebrated at MKNS on 22nd April 2022 to create awareness among the students about the rampant increase in pollution and other activities which directly or indirectly harm the environment and result in the destruction of the planet.

Around 427 students from Grade 1 to 5 participated in Earth Day Celebration. The celebration was conducted in the respective classrooms for Grade 1&4 and the students of Grade 5 enthusiastically participated in the rally by holding placards and saying slogans. The students understood the value of all the resources around us which can be saved or recycled like reuse of the plastic waste, water, paper etc.





# LITERATI CLUB

**A child's life is like a piece of paper on which every person leaves a mark.**

## ENGLISH HANDWRITING COMPETITION

Grade 1 TO 12

20<sup>th</sup> April 2022

English Handwriting Competition was conducted for the students from Grade 1 to 12. The competition was conducted in the respective classrooms. Handwriting is an essential skill for the students. It is an incredibly important exercise for the students to encourage them to develop motor skills and confidence. It activates the brain and contributes to reading fluency. It provides an opportunity to display their competency of legible writing. The response of the students was very encouraging. Majority of the students had put in their best foot forward to enhance their writing skills.



# Winners of the English Handwriting Competition

## ENGLISH HANDWRITING COMPETITION

### GRADE 1

| SR.NO | NAME                     | GRADE | SECTION | HOUSE | POSITION        |
|-------|--------------------------|-------|---------|-------|-----------------|
| 1     | KRISHA SHAH              | 1     | A       | FIRE  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 2     | AYAAN JAMADAR            | 1     | A       | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 3     | MOHAMMED RAYHAN<br>MEMON | 1     | A       | EARTH | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 4     | HASNAIN DARBAR           | 1     | B       | FIRE  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 5     | RIDA MANSURY             | 1     | B       | WATER | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 6     | VIRAJ KADGI              | 1     | B       | AIR   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

### GRADE 2

|    |                |   |   |       |                 |
|----|----------------|---|---|-------|-----------------|
| 7  | IQRA MATTE     | 2 | A | EARTH | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 8  | SAANVI SINGH   | 2 | A | WATER | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 9  | SHANAYA GANDHI | 2 | A | EARTH | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 10 | AZHAN SHAIKH   | 2 | B | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 11 | LAKSHITH ZABAK | 2 | B | FIRE  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 12 | TANZILA MULANI | 2 | B | FIRE  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

### GRADE 3

|    |                  |   |   |       |                 |
|----|------------------|---|---|-------|-----------------|
| 13 | ADVAIT DANGE     | 3 | A | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 14 | ALINA SHAIKH     | 3 | A | FIRE  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 15 | PRIYANSH JAIN    | 3 | A | WATER | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 16 | ROZHAN TAFTI     | 3 | B | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 17 | ZAINUDDIN SHAIKH | 3 | B | FIRE  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 18 | ASHAZ PATHAN     | 3 | B | AIR   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 19 | KSHITIJ KHEKALE  | 3 | C | WATER | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 20 | KHUNZA FATIMA    | 3 | C | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 21 | MUHAMMAD ALI     | 3 | C | EARTH | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 22 | ANAM SHAIKH      | 3 | D | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 23 | KHADIJA REHMAN   | 3 | D | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 24 | AASHI AGARWAL    | 3 | D | WATER | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

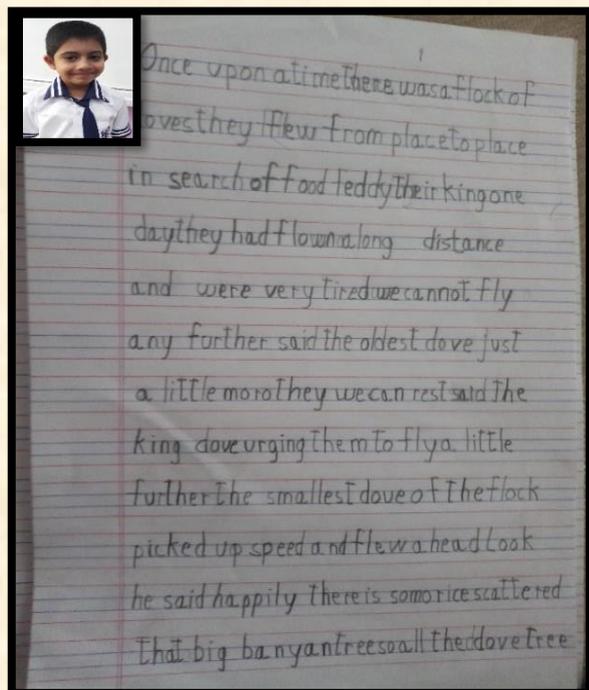
### GRADE 4

|    |               |   |   |       |                 |
|----|---------------|---|---|-------|-----------------|
| 25 | PRANAV PANDEY | 4 | A | FIRE  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 26 | AHMED ARAI    | 4 | A | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |

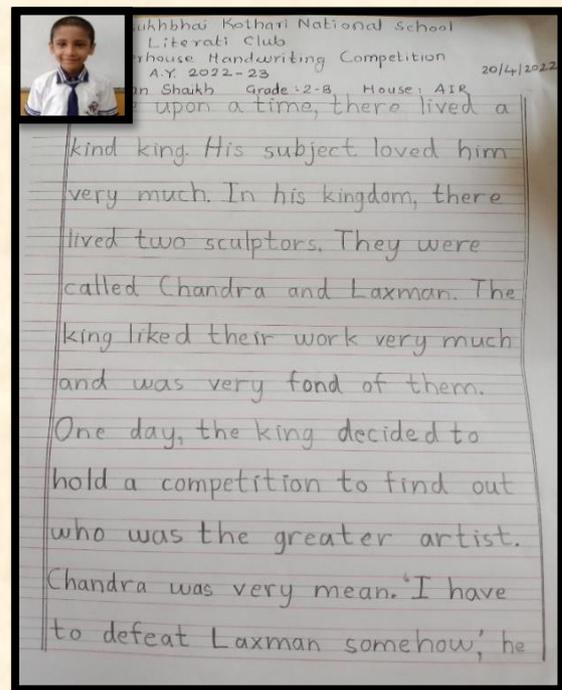
| SR.NO          | NAME                      | GRADE | SECTION | HOUSE | POSITION        |
|----------------|---------------------------|-------|---------|-------|-----------------|
| 27             | SHARANYA RAO              | 4     | A       | WATER | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 28             | RUMAISA ZUMAR             | 4     | B       | WATER | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 29             | SAIFUDDIN<br>MANDLIWALA   | 4     | B       | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 30             | KHADIJA SHAIKH            | 4     | B       | AIR   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 31             | ZUNAYRAH KHAN             | 4     | C       | EARTH | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 32             | FAIZ ALURE                | 4     | C       | AIR   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 33             | MARIYA HAKIMI             | 4     | C       | EARTH | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 34             | UZAIR KAZI                | 4     | D       | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 35             | AQSA MUKADAM              | 4     | D       | FIRE  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 36             | DURVANG PATIL             | 4     | D       | AIR   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| <b>GRADE 5</b> |                           |       |         |       |                 |
| 37             | ANIKA ATOSI               | 5     | A       | FIRE  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 38             | DANAISHA BASANTANI        | 5     | A       | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 39             | RAINA KOCHAR              | 5     | A       | AIR   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 40             | AQSA MANIYAR              | 5     | B       | WATER | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 41             | MOHAMMAD RAYYAN<br>ATHANI | 5     | B       | AIR   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 42             | HIFZA SANDE               | 5     | B       | FIRE  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 43             | IRAM SIDDIQUI             | 5     | C       | WATER | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 44             | SALEHA SHAIKH             | 5     | C       | FIRE  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 45             | AYESHA SYED               | 5     | C       | EARTH | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| <b>GRADE 6</b> |                           |       |         |       |                 |
| 46             | BHAT ADVIKA               | 6     | A       | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 47             | HADAGALI BUSHRA           | 6     | A       | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 48             | SHAIKH REHAN              | 6     | A       | WATER | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 49             | DARKONDE MEGHANA          | 6     | B       | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 50             | KENDRE ANKITA             | 6     | B       | AIR   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 51             | BIRADAR ARHAAN            | 6     | B       | WATER | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 52             | PAWAR MRUNAL              | 6     | C       | WATER | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 53             | KULKARNI VIRAJ            | 6     | C       | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 54             | MULLA HUZIFA              | 6     | C       | FIRE  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| <b>GRADE 7</b> |                           |       |         |       |                 |
| 55             | CHANDARKI NAZIA           | 7     | A       | FIRE  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |

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|----------------|--------------------|-------|---------|-------|-----------------|
| 56             | AGARWAL AARAV      | 7     | A       | AIR   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 57             | SHAIKH INSHA       | 7     | A       | WATER | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 58             | SHAIKH EESA        | 7     | B       | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 59             | YADAV LAVANYA      | 7     | B       | AIR   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 60             | ZANVAR KASHVI      | 7     | B       | FIRE  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 61             | AHMED SARAH        | 7     | C       | AIR   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 62             | PATEL RAKIL        | 7     | C       | FIRE  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 63             | MITHAIWALA MIQDAD  | 7     | C       | FIRE  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 64             | KHAN AYESHA        | 7     | D       | EARTH | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 65             | CHATTERJEE ARYA    | 7     | D       | AIR   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 66             | SINGH MOHIT        | 7     | D       | EARTH | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| <b>GRADE 8</b> |                    |       |         |       |                 |
| 67             | MANSURI UMME-AIMAN | 8     | A       | WATER | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 68             | SAED EESHAL        | 8     | A       | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 69             | PATHAK OJAS        | 8     | A       | WATER | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 70             | SHAIKH ARSHIYA     | 8     | B       | FIRE  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 71             | SHINDE PRATHA      | 8     | B       | EARTH | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 72             | PATEL ARSHIYA      | 8     | B       | WATER | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 73             | SHENAI APEKSHA     | 8     | C       | FIRE  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 74             | SHAIKH MARYAM      | 8     | C       | WATER | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 75             | KAMTHE ALISHA      | 8     | C       | AIR   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| <b>GRADE 9</b> |                    |       |         |       |                 |
| A              | RIDA SHAIKH        | 9     | A       | Earth | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 77             | RIDDHIMA ZANWAR    | 9     | A       | Earth | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 78             | GAZALA SHAIKH      | 9     | A       | Fire  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 79             | ZIYA KHAN          | 9     | B       | Earth | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 80             | VAMIKA JEENAWAT    | 9     | B       | Air   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 81             | DIYA BAFNA         | 9     | B       | Earth | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 82             | POORVA NAIK        | 9     | C       | Earth | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 83             | SANA MOHAMMAD      | 9     | C       | Water | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 84             | DHRITI MEHTA       | 9     | C       | Fire  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 85             | SHREYA SAKHARE     | 9     | D       | Air   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 86             | FAIZAAH ANSARI     | 9     | D       | Water | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |

| SR.NO           | NAME                     | GRADE | SECTION | HOUSE | POSITION        |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-------|---------|-------|-----------------|
| 87              | AADITI OSWAL             | 9     | D       | Fire  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| <b>GRADE 10</b> |                          |       |         |       |                 |
| 88              | SHRUTHI TIPANNA          | 10    | A       | Water | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 89              | SAFANA AZ HADAGALI       | 10    | A       | Water | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 90              | BHAVNA AGARWAL           | 10    | A       | Fire  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 91              | AIMAN SHAIKH             | 10    | B       | Air   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 92              | ISHWARI DESHPANDE        | 10    | B       | Air   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 93              | ASHMIRAA SHAHENAM        | 10    | B       | Earth | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 94              | NIDA BOTAWALA            | 10    | C       | Water | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 95              | SAFAA SHAIKH             | 10    | C       | Water | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| <b>GRADE 12</b> |                          |       |         |       |                 |
| 96              | INSIYAH SANJELIWALA      | 12    | A       | Air   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 97              | JYOTIKA SHARAN           | 12    | A       | Fire  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 98              | GNANA VARDHAN<br>MANDAVA | 12    | A       | Air   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| 99              | CHETNA AGRAWAL           | 12    | B       | Fire  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
| 100             | SHREYA NAIK              | 12    | B       | Earth | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| 101             | PRANEETA KUMARI          | 12    | B       | Air   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |



Hasnain Darbar (1<sup>st</sup>) – Grade 1 B



Azhan Shaikh (1<sup>st</sup>) – Grade 2 B

Eesa Shaikh  
7B

Mansukhbhai Kothari  
— National School —

Ruskin Bond - Author

Stories featuring Rusty (my alter ego) go back to my beginnings as a writer, when the sixteen-year-old as the central character in 'The Room on the roof', my first novel. Since then he has turned up in stories written at different periods of my life — sometimes as a small boy, sometimes as a schoolboy or teen teenager or young adult. These stories first appeared in magazines, then in diverse collections. They formed scattered episodes in the life of Rusty.

I have now brought them together in sequence, to create a certain continuity, presenting Rusty's experiences and adventures in the order in which they actually took place. In this way I hope present the life of Rusty in as complete and interesting a manner as possible. I would like to thank Udayan Mitra and Anjana Ramkrishnan for their expert editorial help in the presentation of

Eesa Shaikh (1<sup>st</sup>) – Grade 7 B

Apeksha Shenai  
grade-8C

MANSUKHBHAI KOTHARI NATIONAL SCHOOL  
Handwriting Competition

Ruskin Bond - Author's Note

HERE WE ARE AGAIN, with Rusty and Co.!

My young readers responded kindly to the first 'Rusty' book, and the Puffin editors (good-looking Puffins, all of them) feel sufficiently encouraged to bring out 'Rusty 2' — i.e. Rusty Runs Away.

In Rusty, the Boy from the Hills, a lot of interesting things happened around Rusty. In this volume, exciting things happen to him — or rather, he makes things happen, first by running away from his school (in the company of mischievous Baljit), and later by escaping from the strict confines of his guardian's home and finding friendship and adventure with Somi, Ranbir, Kishan and others. And in discovering this new life, the teenage Rusty also discovers a different kind of India from that in which he grew up.

Once again, I am indebted to Udayan Mitra and Anjana Ramkrishnan for bringing together these episodes from Rusty's life. And to Shubadarshini Singh for her sensitive adaptation of the series stories in her TV serial, Ek Tha Rusty.

London, Mussoorie  
October 2014

Ruskin Bond.

Apeksha Shenai (1<sup>st</sup>) – Grade 8 C

20 April 22  
Wednesday

ENGLISH HANDWRITING COMPETITION

NAME - Shruthi Tippana HOUSE - WATER  
CLASS - 10A ROLL NO. - 23

A LETTER TO GOD.

The house - the only one in the valley - sat on the crest of a low hill. From this height one could see the river and the field of ripe corn dotted with the flowers that always promised a good harvest. The only thing the earth needed was a downpour or at least a shower. Throughout the morning Lencho - who knew his fields intimately - had done nothing else but see the sky towards the north-east.

"Now, were really going to get some water, woman!" The woman who was preparing supper, replied, "Yes, God willing". The older boys were working in the field, while the smaller ones were playing near the house until the woman called to them all, "Come for dinner". It was during the meal that, just as Lencho had predicted big drops of rains began to fall. In the north-east huge mountains of clouds could be seen approaching. The air was fresh and sweet. The man went out for no other reason than to have the pleasure of feeling rain on his body, and when he returned he exclaimed, "These aren't raindrops falling from the sky, these are new coins."

Shruthi Tippana (1<sup>st</sup>) – Grade 10 A

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MANSUKHBHAI KOTHARI NATIONAL SCHOOL  
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INTERHOUSE HANDWRITING COMPETITION  
ACADEMIC YEAR-2022-23

NAME - ZIYA RIYAZ KHAN  
GRADE / SECTION - 9/B  
HOUSE - EARTH HOUSE  
DATE - 20-4-2022  
ROLL NO. - 7

It was the festival of Spring. From the wintry shades of narrow lanes and alleys emerged a gaily clad humanity. Some walked, some rode on horses, others sat, being carried in bamboo and bullock carts. One little boy ran between his father's legs, beaming over with life and laughter.

"Come, child, come," called his parents, his feet obedient to their call, his eyes still lingering on the receding toys. As he came to where they had stopped to wait for him, he could not suppress the desire of his heart, even though he well knew the old, cold stare of refusal in their eyes.

"I want that toy," he pleaded. His father looked at him red-eyed, in his familiar tyrant's way. His mother, melted by the free spirit of the day was tender and giving him her finger to hold, said, "Look, child, what is before you!"

Ziya Khan (1<sup>st</sup>) – Grade 9 B

# SOFT BOARD DECORATION

## COMPETITION

*"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."* – Helen Keller

We at MKNS believe in teamwork and completely trust our parents as they play a pivotal role in the success of a school. To celebrate this spirit of collaboration and co-operation, MKNS had organised a Soft Board Competition on 21st April 2022 wherein parents were invited to judge the competition. They appreciated the hard work and creativity of the teachers who decorated the soft boards beautifully.

We at MKNS look forward to many more such collaborations because, Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success .



### Winners

| GRADE   | WINNER | TEACHER             |
|---------|--------|---------------------|
| GRADE 1 | 1 B    | Ms Prashila Naik    |
| GRADE 2 | 2 A    | Ms Shubhangi Mali   |
| GRADE 3 | 3 D    | Ms Snehal Sankpal   |
| GRADE 4 | 4 C    | Ms Alefiya Lohawala |
| GRADE 5 | 5 C    | Ms Reshma Khiani    |

# CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS

## DESIGN THINKING

DAY : Friday

DATE: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022

*“Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think”-*  
**Albert Einstein**

Design Thinking is a unique, creative and problem-solving approach that can be used to enhance the knowledge of the students and train them to think in differently. To attain this goal, Design Thinking Workshop was organised for the teachers at MKNS, on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022. It was conducted by **Mr. Anansh Shivprasad, Founder of Skillsphere Education, Mumbai**. The teachers developed an insight in design thinking and used this approach ingeniously.



# SCIENTIFIC TOYS MAKING – Learning by Doing

DAY : Friday

DATE: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022

*“The only source of knowledge is experience.” – Albert Einstein*

A workshop is a convenient way to offer the students a hands-on activity and fun based science learning experience. At MKNS, we firmly believe in experiential learning and we want our students to keep on tinkering in an experimental manner. To elevate their exploration skills a ‘Scientific Toy Making ‘workshop was conducted on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022 by **Mr.Rupesh Labade** (Expert in Science toy making and educational experiment designing **IUCAA** ).

The students got the chance to explore various concepts of science using the strategy ‘Learning by doing’. During this workshop various demonstrations on making different scientific toys using things readily available at home were shown.

Not only the making of the scientific toys was illustrated but their relation to different concepts of science was explained in brief. Children enjoyed the workshop thoroughly and were excited throughout the session as each of the experiment conducted generated curiosity amongst them.



# EVENTS

## PARIKSHA PE CHARCHA

DAY : Friday

DATE: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022

The students of MKNS (Grade 10 & 12) were a part of the Pariksha pe Charcha session conducted live by **the Honorable Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi**. He addressed the students and teachers of schools across India and addressed the queries raised by the students. The students raised certain queries with respect to exam related stress and anxiety and they wanted to know how to handle these problems.

The Prime Minister mentioned that the present is a valuable gift of the lord for all of us, let's utilize it efficiently. He also stated the inherent quality bestowed on the humans is to deal with our problems and difficulties by ourselves, we must use the optimum. The session was an enlightened one, both for the students as well as the teachers.



## ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

DAY : Saturday

DATE: 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2022

An orientation program was organized on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2022, for the parents and students of Grade 9 and 10, to ensure an atmosphere for learning as well as building up a healthy relationship between parents, teachers and students.

The school Principal, Ms. Varsha Kokil addressed the gathering and familiarized the parents with the curriculum, rules and regulations of the school, teaching methodologies and the co-scholastic activities related to the students' overall development. She also mentioned the guidelines about effective parenting.

The experts from the field of competitive exams guided and motivated the students to choose the right career path during their interaction with the students. The programme was truly beneficial for parents and students.

The school Principal, Ms. Varsha Kokil expressed her gratitude at the end of the programme.



# JUNE

## Upcoming Events

### Curious Mind Club

Science Poem Writing Competition Grade 3 to 5  
Science Poem Writing Competition Grade 6 to 10

15th June  
17th June

27th & 29th  
June

### Literati Club

English Poetry Recitation Competition  
Grade 1 to 10

### CELEBRATIONS

World day to combat Desertification  
and Drought  
Father's Day

17th  
June

21st  
June

Yoga Day  
Music Day  
Summer Solstice( Longest Day in  
Northern Hemisphere)

International Day against Drug Abuse  
and Illicit Trafficking

International Day of the Tropics 2021

26th  
June

29th  
June

6th  
to  
8th June

Capacity Building Program For Teachers  
- Project Based Learning  
- Critical Thinking : How to Teach  
- Learning Objectives

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