



# LITERARY LANTERN



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

***"Express yourself, and you will find that the world is your oyster."***

It is with immense pride and deep reverence that I unveil this edition of our school's literary newsletter, a distinguished platform where the art of creative expression is celebrated in its most eloquent form.

In an age increasingly shaped by the swift currents of technological progress, the craft of written expression endures as an ageless repository of wisdom, imagination, and intellectual discovery. This publication stands as a glowing testament to the exceptional literary prowess of our students, whose contributions—whether poetry, prose or reflective essays—illuminate not only their command of language but also their astute engagement with the world around them. I am particularly thrilled to congratulate several of our students who have gone a step further and had their own books published. Their dedication, creativity and perseverance in bringing their stories and ideas to life is truly commendable.

As you delve into these pages, you will embark on a journey through realms of thought-provoking ideas and creative brilliance, where narratives transcend boundaries and evoke universal themes. I extend my sincerest congratulations to each of our young authors for their courage to articulate and their determination to inspire.

To our budding literati: Continue to wield the power of language with grace and purpose. Your words possess the ability to illuminate minds, stir hearts, and shape the contours of the future. May you always write with passion, conviction, and vision.

Wishing you all an enriching and inspiring reading experience!

**Suruchi Gandhi**  
(Principal)



# QUILLS OF TOMORROW: CELEBRATING THE VERBAL INGENUITY OF STUDENT AUTHORS



## LA POÈSIE

Kanwarjoy Singh's(XII C) debut anthology 'LA POÈSIE' is a fine and simple collection of evocative pieces of poetry. In the poet's words, these aren't just mere compositions but reflect a profound and powerful sentiment the poet feels in each one of them. These poems were crafted meticulously by the writer in absolute solitude and tranquility about the experiences he has garnered through his life as a teenager. There were immense efforts poured into this piece of art by the writer and he believes there's something in here for you too.



## THE NEXT STATION IS...

"The Next Station Is...", by Palak Jha (XII B), transforms the ordinary commute into a captivating exploration of human experiences. This collection of short stories takes readers through various metro stations, from Dwarka to Noida Sector-18, with each station serving as a pivotal point in the characters' personal journeys. The book invites readers to reflect on the often-overlooked moments that shape our lives and highlights the interesting stories within the daily grind. It's a heartfelt tribute to the stories behind every face in the crowd, revealing that every stop holds a new narrative waiting to unfold.



## THE MAN OF TIME



Ishanvi Singh (VIII E) got the idea to write short stories full of imagination, creation and fun for kids. She wrote these story books with the sole intention to divert today's generation from digital addiction to print media which would help ignite their imagination.



# ACHIEVER'S ALLEY: PATHWAY TO SUCCESS

## BriBooks

### Empowering Young Storytellers to Invent the Future

170 students of our school  
earned the **PUBLISHED  
AUTHORS CERTIFICATE**



### DEBATING MATTERS

Priyanshi Malhotra and Vaanya  
Yadav of Class VIII won second  
position in the prestigious Zonals  
Debate

### GLOBAL MINDS : A VIRTUAL FUSION OF IDEAS

A platform for exploring diverse  
cultures and global issues. The  
interactive sessions featured  
discussions, activities, and  
collaborative projects that  
broadened their understanding of  
international perspectives.



### STREET SPOTLIGHT: VOICE OF PEOPLE

Our students showcased their talents  
through a series of vibrant and  
thought-provoking street plays. These  
performances not only entertained but  
also highlighted important social issues  
and cultural themes.



# INKED IMAGINATION



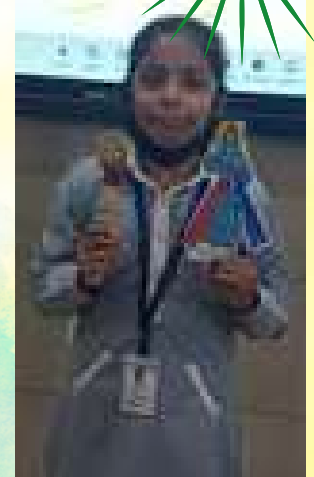
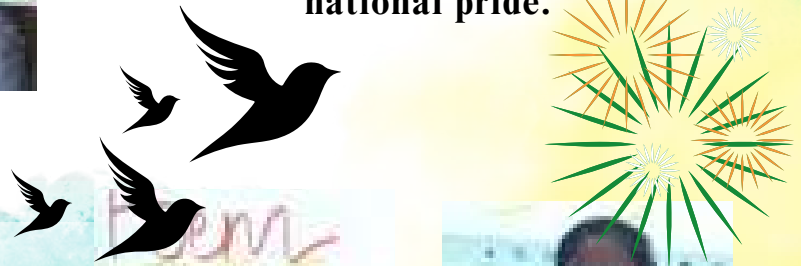
## FREEDOM FRAMES: COLOURS OF INDEPENDENCE

Students took part in a vibrant poster-making activity, showcasing their creativity and patriotism. The posters featured inspiring themes about freedom, unity, and national pride.



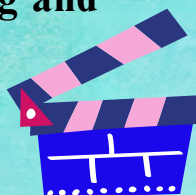
## RHYTHM N RHYME : A JOURNEY THROUGH POETRY

In Rhythm 'n' Rhyme event, our students delightfully recited playful rhymes and rhythmic verses showcasing their budding confidence and poetic flair. It was a heartwarming display of their ability to capture the joy and cadence of poetry



## ACT IT OUT: PLAY THE ROLE, TELL THE TALE

Our students brought literary characters to life through a series of engaging role plays. Each performance allowed students to step into the shoes of fictional characters, showcasing their understanding and creativity.





# MINDSCAPES

## CREATIVE CHRONICLES

### An Exile That Led Us Home...

**Grandfather Grandfather!**

**From where do we belong, what's really written in those books,  
Oh so long**

**Is mother earth a gift from God or really just another fraud?  
Do doctrines have a story and do wars fought really represents glory?**

**Miles and miles away, from a far of place,  
Our ancestors came with tales and hearts aflame.**

**They brought religion, they brought harmony,  
They brought customs, they brought symphony.**

**In every anecdote they told,  
In every credence they left  
There is a hidden crest.**

**One quiet evening, there was a storm  
The flute's melody became a screaming cry at dawn  
The lightning caused the sun to set early  
The winds silenced the birds oh so chirpy.**

**There were murmurs, mays or may nots  
Everyone believed it was demon's thought.  
But suddenly there were showers and flowers from God;  
Which our ancestors cherished and never forgot.  
Then everything started to fall into place.**

**But wars on some days,  
Everywhere they went, there was a trace,  
Even in the darkest haze.**

**Now I understand why they lost their minds and fought the wars,  
And why you have been trying to put it into words;**

**Our heritage, a beacon bright, Guiding us through darkest night.**

-Dhaanya Sarin ( 11th D)



# INSPIRING IMPRINTS

**POSITIVE  
VIBES**



## Embracing Positivity: A Path to Well-Being

Positive thinking is a powerful tool that can transform our lives. By focusing on optimism and viewing challenges as opportunities, we cultivate resilience and inner strength. Positive thoughts not only boost our mental well-being but also influence our physical health, reducing stress and improving overall happiness. When we approach life with a positive mindset, we attract better outcomes, build stronger relationships, and achieve our goals with greater ease. In a world filled with uncertainties, positive thinking serves as a guiding light, helping us navigate through difficulties with confidence and grace.

By Aahana Singh (11th D)

## MEMORIES



I walk through the door and there she is-  
waiting for me with her wrinkled face and a  
huge smile.  
I know she's getting old, but her love tastes still  
the same.  
She plays with my hair, and tells me how tall  
I've got.  
But my granny is still the same-kind, sweet,  
loving and what not.  
Sometimes I fear, one day she'll be gone.  
To a world nobody knows of,  
To a place where I can't meet her.  
But then something gives me hope;  
her memories, her smell,  
her bright eyes and the taste of her delicious  
food.  
It will always stay, and in my memory  
this will forever play.  
For now I remind myself everyday,  
to live in the moments that I have with her  
today.  
I'll try and enjoy every second I have  
and capture everything in my heart.  
For it is life- so unpredictable, they say.



By Priyanshi Sinha (12th C)

## LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP

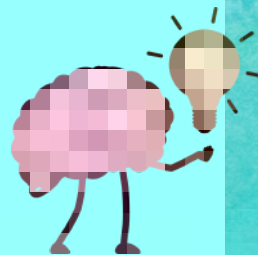
Alphabet, words, sentences,  
We all talk.  
Do we think about what we say,  
Or the role it will play?  
It's a powerful tool,  
As old as your grandma's wool.



Does your grandma measure carefully,  
Before sewing you a sweater?  
Does she always try  
To make each stitch better?

But do we think before we talk?  
Do we try to make it better—  
What we say to each other,  
And about one another?

Take a minute, take a moment,  
Notice your accent.  
Think and use words wisely,  
Let them land timely.



By Lavanya Sharma (11th A)