

September 2020

The Spirit of Achievement  
Makes our students

PROUD  
WONDERITES!

THE EDUCATORS AT SWS TAKE PRIDE IN  
CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE  
CURIOSITY IS APPRECIATED,  
QUESTIONS ARE ENCOURAGED  
AND DIFFERENCES ARE RESPECTED

Monthly Newsletter

## From the Principal's Desk



A warm greeting to the SWS parent family!

The note from the Principal's desk for the month of September comes to you from the 3 interesting and positive news I have read in the last few weeks. Firstly the New Education Policy has been released by the Government with many new and much awaited key steps for the department of Education to step up and be in tune with the expanding global trends-no rigid separation between science, arts and commerce; internships & vocational subjects from Class 6; education of gifted children; curriculum to integrate the 21st century skills of mathematical thinking and scientific temper; among many others. Second positive news has been about Mohali where on Tuesday, 22nd September the recovery cases outnumbered the new Covid reported cases. Thirdly, the Government has rolled out strict rules for the possibility of the senior students coming to school voluntarily for their doubt clearing. After a span of nearly six months the students if they wish will be able to meet their teachers (with due social distancing and safety measures). As I wrote in the first sentence these are interesting pieces of news-interesting as it is too preliminary to be able to judge the effect of these whereas the same are much awaited and required.

In the school we have completed the Mid-Term assessments and the teachers are now busy preparing the mark sheets for the students. The Google Forms for the 2nd Parent Teacher Meeting have been rolled out, filled and shared with the school. The next 2-3 weeks will be reflection time in the school wherein we will all reflect on the inputs received from you, our parent family, and readjust where necessary our next steps for the students. We plan to meet the parent for the PTM on 3rd October and begin the 2nd term on 5th October. The online classes will continue with as much gusto as in the 1st term and we aim at bringing in more rigor in the academics especially for the students of Classes 9 & 10.

## From the Principal's Desk

On the Co-curricular front, class assemblies and Art integration have taken a life of their own as the students and teachers make the screen of the online classes come alive with the prayer, messages and songs. The students of Classes UKG-5 have been celebrating Hindi Diwas, Rainy days, enjoying self made bhelpuri. The much appreciated event of the last month has been the read aloud program rolled out for the students.

In the words of Descartes, "The reading of all good books is like conversation with the finest (people) of the past centuries." I want to use these motivating words to inspire all of you to read and encourage your children to read for atleast 15 minutes in a day.

"Individual commitment to a group effort that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work." Vince Lombardi

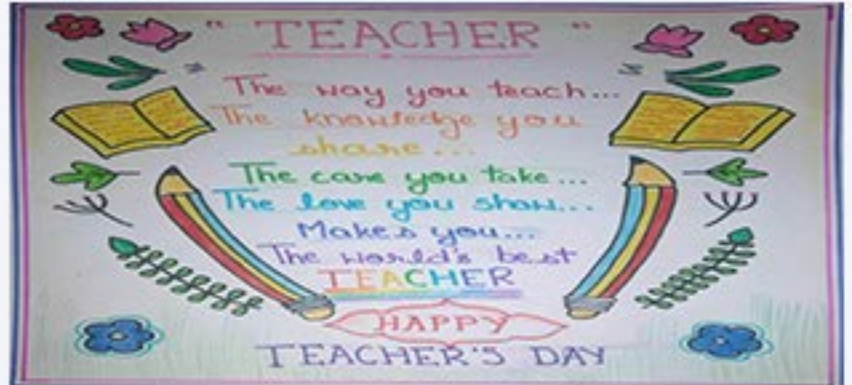
These are not just words, in a way this is one of the most crucial life skills that we can teach our young adults. Keeping that in mind we have decided to select our student council for the session 2020-21. The school is online so we will adapt and take the selection process online. The student council for this session will have students from Class 9 & 10. We will introduce the council members to you in our next month's newsletter.

Till then please stay safe and healthy!

Warm Regards  
Poonamjit Kaur

## Celebrating Teacher's Day 2020

Aristotle said, "Those who educate children well, are more to be honoured than parents, for these only gave life, those the art of living well!"



Making effective use of technology the students of Smart Wonders School celebrated the Teacher's Day on 5th September 2020 . The message inboxes of the teachers were flooded from early morning with messages, photographs of handmade cards, PPTs made by the students, videos made to honour the teachers. Creativity & innovation of the students knew no bounds as they went about telling their teachers the love, affection and respect they have in their hearts for their Gurus.

The celebration was first of its kind! The children were in the safety of their homes, talking to their teachers through the barrier of a screen.

Admiring the online classes this was the first "on the laptop screen" Teacher's Day celebration for hundreds of teachers in the country and the world. We sincerely wish that by the time we get ready to celebrate the efforts of teachers in the year 2021, the cheers and warm smiles of the students are free from the boundations of safety norms.

Wishing all the teachers reading this newsletter – A very Happy Teacher's Day! We may have designated 5th September as the day to celebrate you all whereas if each one of us said a THANK YOU every day to the members of the teaching community, it will not be enough to cover the gratitude we feel in our hearts for all the teachers.



# Celebrating Teacher's Day 2020



Ellysha 5C



Ahnaz Kaur 4D



Yash Vardan 4D



Harsimar 7A



Harsheen 2D



Karman Sivia 5C



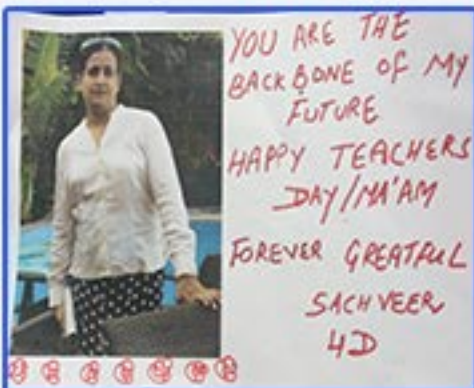
Kevin Class 4B



Keerthana 5A



Manya Class 2B



Sachveer 4D

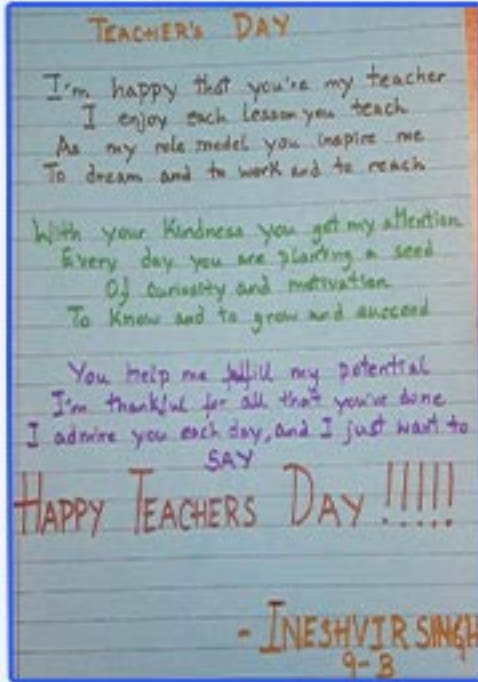


Manya Talwar 2B

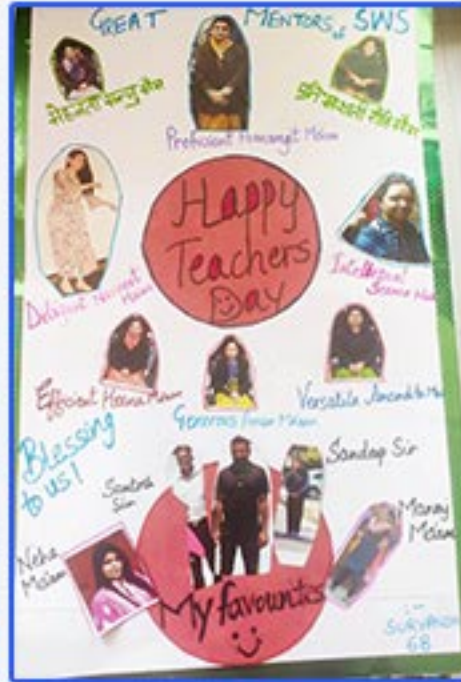


Tamanna 5A

# Celebrating Teacher's Day 2020



Ineshvir 9B



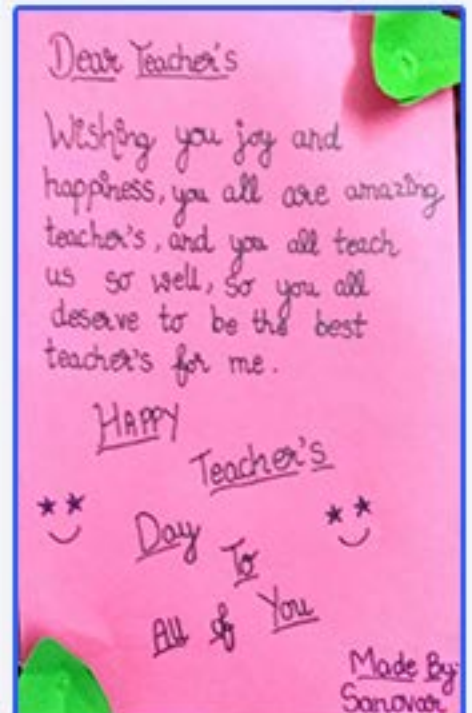
Suryansh 6B



Sanah Goyal 6C



Harbaani 7A



Sanovar 7C

## Activity on Storytelling Class 1B

“If you want your children to be smart, tell them stories. If you want them to be brilliant, tell them more stories.”

—Albert Einstein

Storytelling is an ancient and valuable art that extends around the globe. Stories create magic and a sense of wonder in the world.

The students of Class 1 showcased their talent for story telling by participating in the Hindi storytelling activity held in the class. The students created their own props and drawings to present the story of their choice. All the students participated in the activity with full enthusiasm and this activity not only enhanced their speaking skills but listening skills also. The students enjoyed story telling and later shared their photographs with their class educators. The well made props and drawings were appreciated by the teachers and the classmates of the students who presented their stories.



Anant Kaur 1D



Divit 1B



Gurmeet KaUR 1c



Harshit Bansal UKG



Harsimrat 1A



Hunarvir 1B

# कहानियाँ



Japman 1A



Naksh 1C



Sehajpreet Kaur 1B



Tanvir 1B



Tejashwar 1C



Shaurya 1A



Manav Jeet Singh 1C





# हिंदी दिवस

हिंदी दिवस को समर्पित दिनांक -31-08-20 कक्षा -2 ,कक्षा UKG के छात्रों ने दिखाओ व बताओ (SHOW AND TELL) गतिविधि में भाग लिया। सभी छात्रों ने उत्साह व जोश के साथ गतिविधि में भाग लिया व अपने मनपसंद विषय का चुनाव करते हुए अपनी-अपनी प्रतिभा का प्रदर्शन किया।

गतिविधि के लिए निम्नलिखित विषय निर्धारित किये गए -

मेरा प्रिय खिलौना

मेरा प्रिय कार्टून

मेरा प्रिय खेल



Bhavini 2A



Gurnoor Singh 2C



Ishpreet Kaur 2A



Manjot Kaur 2B



Manya Talwar 2B



Saesha 2C



Vridhi Jindal 2D

**Class UKG**



Gazleen UKG



Shashwat UKG



Kavya Kanwar UKG



Vivan UKG



Harshit Bansal UKG

## Virtual Rain Walk Class 2

“Life isn’t waiting for the storm to pass...It’s learning to dance in the rain”

A child’s initial contact with the environment is through his /hers senses and it is through this contact that early learning takes place. To enhance their awareness, the students of the Foundation Years were taken on a Virtual Rain Walk. The educators explained the water cycle and the importance of saving water through a PPT. Bubbling with excitement and enthusiasm, the children thoroughly enjoyed listening to the sounds of the raindrops and imagining themselves getting wet and splashing their feet in the puddles. To give vent to their creative niche the children were asked to draw and colour how they felt on a rainy day. It was a vibrant sight to see them spreading their colourful umbrellas and singing songs on rain.



Aarshabh 2A



Abhiraaj 2B



Bhramveer 2D



Alisha Sharma 2C



Banipreet 2D



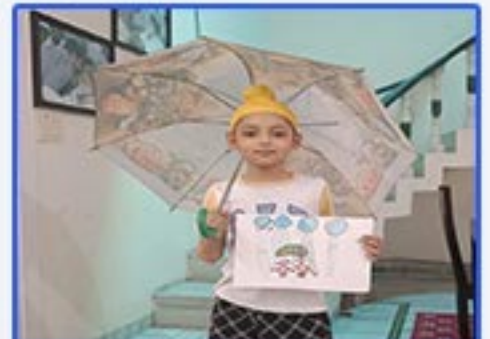
Dhruv 2C



Gurnoor Singh 2C



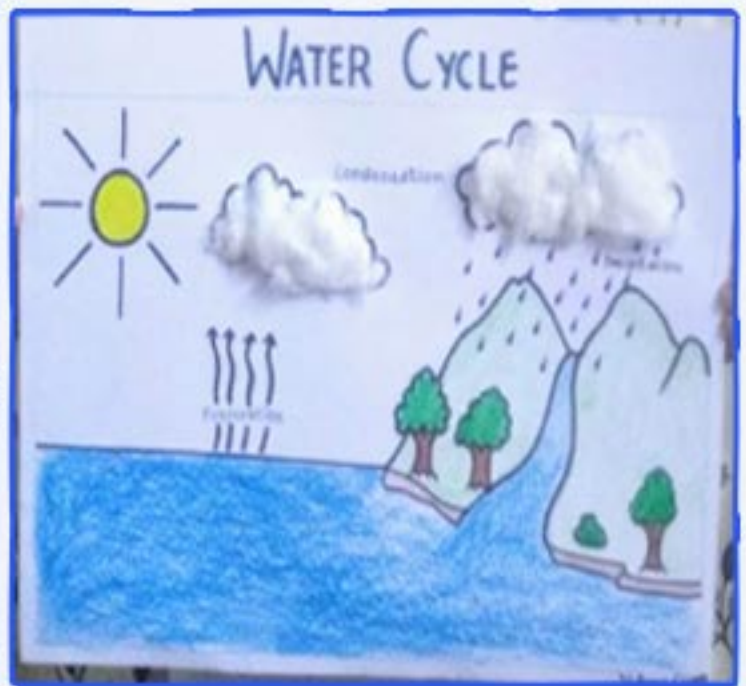
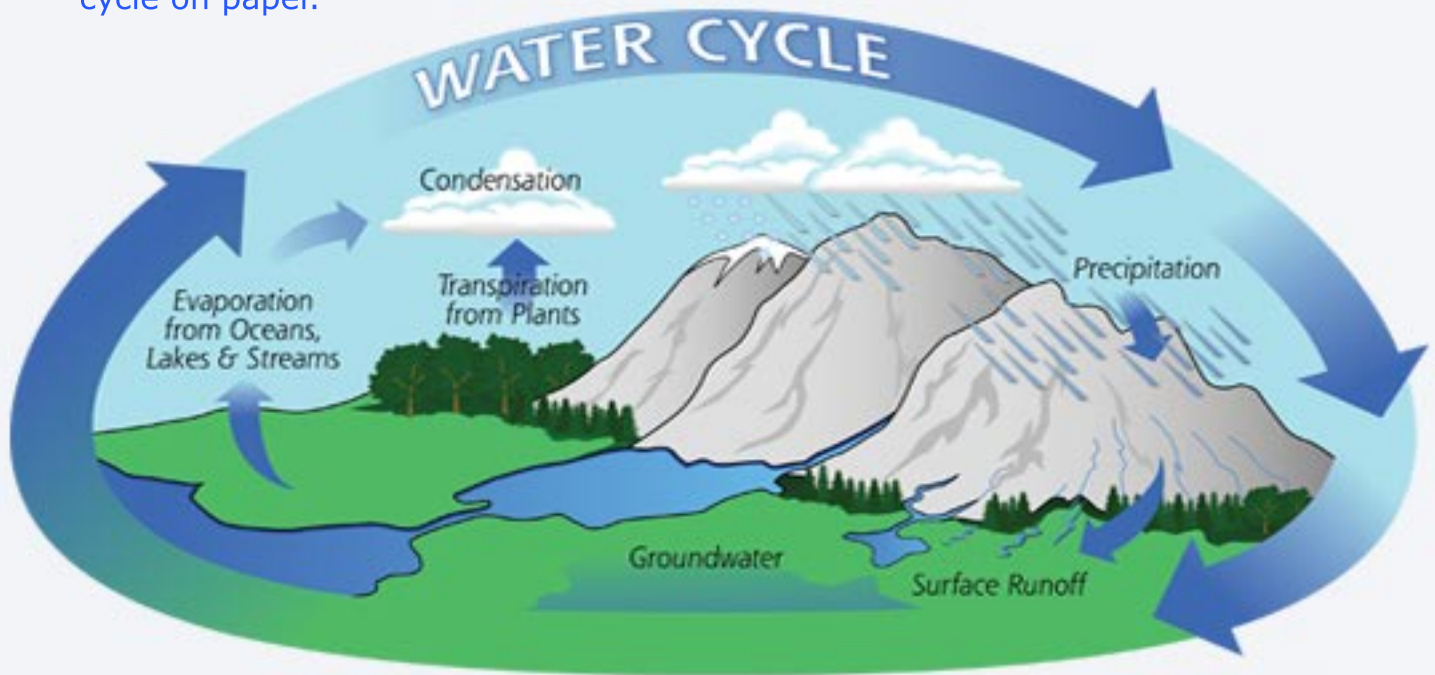
Samanvay 2B



Nirpesh 2C

## Activity on -Water Cycle

The students of Class 4 studied the water cycle in nature in the month of September. They drew well labeled diagrams to show their understanding of the cycle on paper.



# Experimenting and learning Class 5



“Chalk-and-talk” techniques of teaching and learning have historically been used as the predominant mode of educational instruction. In fact, a decade or two ago, deviation from “chalk-and-talk” was rare and the incorporation of active learning strategies was relatively an elite thought.

The education in schools and colleges since has evolved many folds. “Chalk and talk” has given way to student involvement, experimentation and use of technology in the teaching. In the month of September the students of Class 5 at Smart Wonders School tried their hands at learning about –Soluble and insoluble materials. Armed with salt, sugar, oil, tea leaves and water as the solvent, the students followed the instructions given by their teacher and performed the experiment. The possible modifications in terms of using different articles were undertaken independently by the students. It was heartening to see the students make the effort of getting photographs clicked for sharing with their teachers!



Ananya 5B



Ananya 5C



Arhan 5C

# Solubles-Insolubles



Krrish 5D



Seerat 5D



Chitveen 5B



Rishita 5B



Kashvi 5D

## Slogan Writing Activity

### Writing slogans for our country and our soldiers!

The students of Class 6 wrote slogans on hand drawn pictures focused on the love for their country and blessings for the true sons of the country – the soldiers. The slogans thoughtfully written using different fonts and language truly brought out the appreciation that citizens of a country should have for the brave souls who fight on the battlefields so the rest of us can live our lives in peace and harmony.



A.Mohammad Aslam 6B



Ansh 6B



Japbir 6B



Kartikay Choudhary 6B



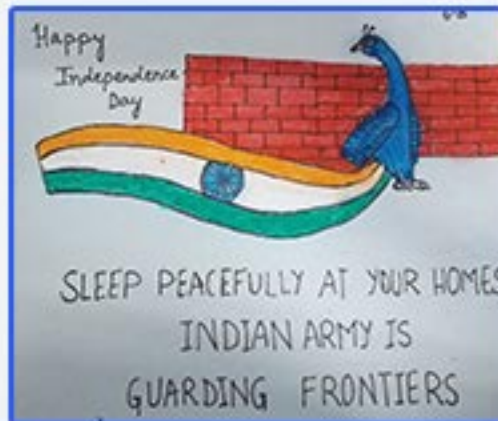
Kulbir 4B



Mannat Sharma 6B



Noordeep Kaur 6B



Shaurya Ratna 6B



Vaibhav 6B

## Building a Country of Readers

When you develop the habit of reading you eventually get addicted to it. Reading can help you grow and give a new perspective about life. Good books can influence you positively and guide you towards the right direction in life. The more you read the more you fall in love with reading. Reading develops language skills and vocabulary. Reading books is also a way to relax and reduce stress.

Reading increases creativity and enhances your understanding of life. Reading also inspires you to write and one can fall in love with writing as well. If we want to adopt some good habits in life then reading should definitely be on the top of our list. It plays a vital role in the holistic growth and development of a person.

In the senior wing the English & Hindi Department got together in the month of September to celebrate reading with the students. Teachers encouraged the students to select a text to read aloud and select a prop to support their reading. This small encouragement gave wings to the imagination of the students and they choose to dress up as characters from their selected text, make and wear crowns and saris to make the reading come alive.



Aadil Bhardwaj 6A



Aaliyah Pandhi 6C



Adrika Mehta 6A



Ayush Agarwal 6A



Dev Shukla 6A



Mansirat Singh 6C



# LET'S READ!



Riddhi Chopra 6A



Manandeep Singh  
6C



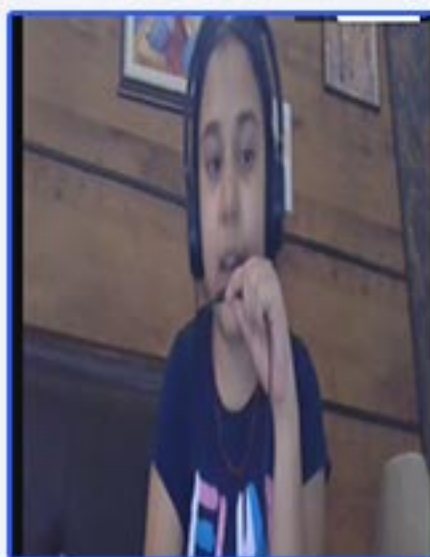
Kanak Purewal 6A



Gurmehar Singh  
6C



Surveen Bhutter 6C



Harshita Sharma 6C



Varad Jindal 6C

## Reading Activity Class 8



Pulkit Verma



Kishreen Kaur



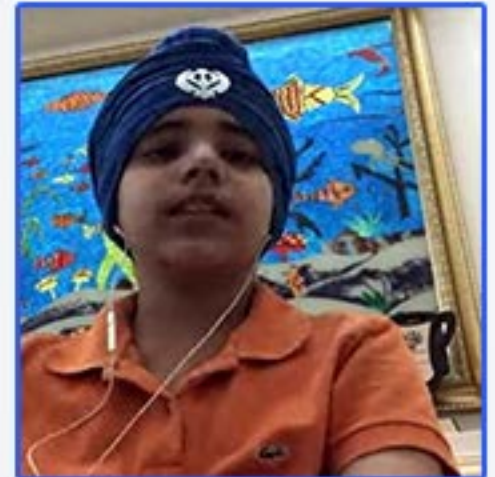
Gurdatbir Singh



Lavanya



Harmanjit



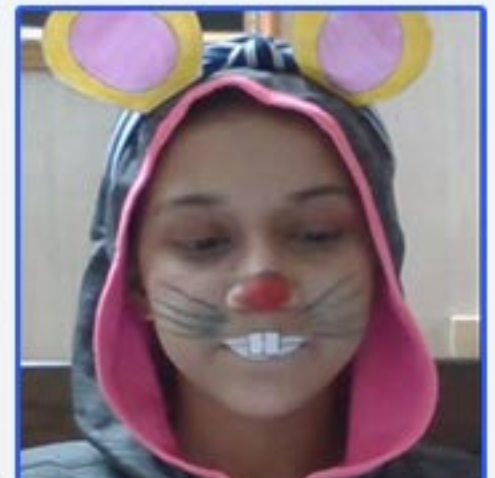
Rajvansh Singh



Ramneek Kaur



Saksham Sachdeva



Sugampreet

## Indian Tribal Art Competition

Passed down from one generation to another, Indian tribal art is still alive in many parts of our country. Being culturally rich, distinct and admirable the Tribal Arts are a great source of information of our rich heritage. With the aim of keeping our students aware of our rich heritage we at Smart wonders School organized a Tribal Art Competition for the students from class 6 to 10 on 24th July 2020. The students of each class were given the Art form of Warli, Gond, Madhubani, Miniature, Kalighat, Patachitra and Kalamkari respectively. A Power Point Presentation on different Tribal Art forms was shared with students for adequate knowledge about the topics. The students came up with amazing Artwork, each one a masterpiece in its own!

Glimpses of a few best entries have been included for you to view.



Abir 9B



Adithya 10A



Anant 9B



Angad 9A



Anya 9B



Arshnoor Vilku 6A



Avanya Narang 8A



Ayushi Gupta 6A



Harshita 6A

## Indian Tribal Art Competition



Japji Bhamra 8A



Nandini 6A



Nitya 7C



Noor Kainth 8A



Ridhi Chopra 6B



Gursimar 6D



Sonia 8B



Tanvi



Tegnoor 6D



Tejal 7B



Vaibhav 6A

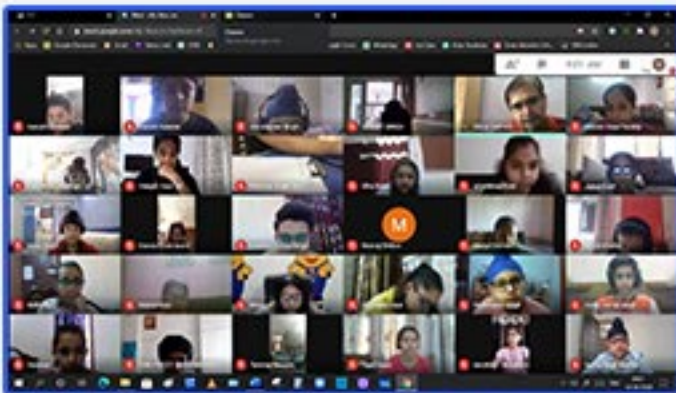


Gurmannat Kaur 6D

## Mid Term Assessment

The Mid Term Assessments for the students of Class 3 to 10 at Smart Wonders School began in the 2nd week of September. The students had been practising since the last 4-5 working days to learn scanning and emailing of the sheets with written answers. Having received clear instructions from their teachers on how to attempt the papers, the time duration given and most important to be honest were all welcomed by the students. The teachers were present with the classes throughout the time the students were attempting their papers, supporting them and guiding them wherever needed.

There have been many articles written on the fact that children and young adults show more readiness to change and technology; the teacher community teaching in 2020 has proved each of these facts incorrect by accepting and adapting the change in the medium of teaching so effortlessly. This September none of them will be receiving any bundles of answer sheets, they will instead be receiving Google forms, excel sheets and scanned photographs of the answer sheets of the students that they will mark with the digital tools and give the students their results. Hats off to the dedication and willingness to adapt of the teachers all over the world!



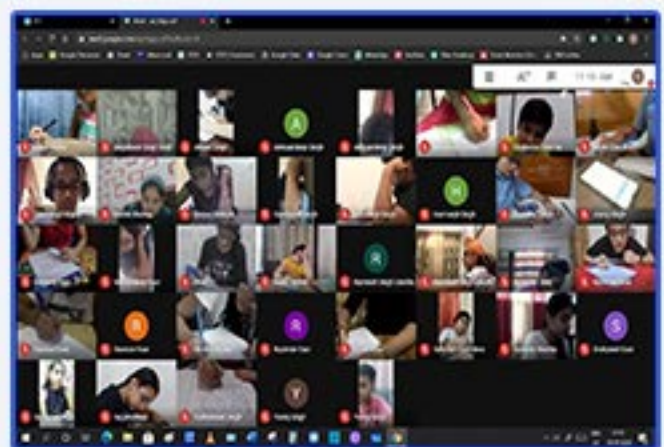
Getting ready to begin the assessment



Listening to instructions



Reading and thinking about the questions



Solving the questions

## Special Feature

I read this quote on a pin interest slide and with due regards to the person who wrote it, I am using it to appreciate the support and efforts given by the parents of a child in SWS, Manandeep Singh. The quote is, "Don't educate your children to be rich. Educate them to be happy, so they know the value of things, not price."

For the speaking activity, the parents of Manandeep a student of Class 6 made the efforts to dress him up complete with a turban and a moustache like Tatyja Tope. Manandeep dressed in the costume of Tatyja Tope complete with the head held high spoke a few lines of dialogue as the character much to the appreciation of his teachers and Vice Principal. This page is designed in dedication to the pride of the parents along with the pride of the school for being connected to such a wonderful parent community.





Ronit Goyal a student of Smart Wonders School has received a certificate from Whitehat Jr for displaying exceptional skills and outcomes in Game Development with Deep UI/UX interface as a developer.



You are capable of more than you know. Choose a goal that seems right for you and strive to be the best, however hard the path. Aim high. Behave honorably. Prepare to be alone at times, and to endure failure. Persist! The world needs all you can give.

E.O.Wilson