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# The Essence of Independence

Have we truly achieved Independence? We have claimed our sovereignty from foreign rule many years ago, but do Every day, we experience disparity closely, but we have become so immune to it that we turn a blind eye towards it. In a nation where manual scavenging is still a profession for many, casteism still rampant with many not having access we truly have freedom of living in a dignified manner?

to essential amenities like education and sanitation, we need to ask ourselves what does independence truly mean. Even after so many years of independence, women cannot venture out to pursue education or careers due to the fear for their safety. They are not free to express their opinions without

We call ourselves a free nation but do not have the freedom to choose what we eat, what we being trolled – whether online or offline. wear or even whom we love. Independence Day doesn't mean one day of national pride; it

implies a commitment to serve the nation in a truly inclusive way. It is our duty to make the dream of a progressive nation with all citizens enjoying equal rights



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to live with dignity come true.

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"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected and handed on for them to do the same." -- Ronald Reagan

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# Jumbo Kids Section







## Independence: A Long Way to go

We proudly claim that we are independent from foreign rule, but we are still not free from jealousy, intolerance and hatred towards our fellow countrymen. We are full of bitterness towards other religions, traditions and always try to suppress the growth of the other. We are tied in the shackles of terrorism, false ideologies, corruption, communal violence and class-caste distinctions and so on. We tend to forget that independence is not only living freely but also allowing others to live freely.

We say that we are a free nation but our behaviour suggests that we are still not free. We take pride in other's culture but not in our own culture. We admire other countries but forget to consider the merits of our nation. We love western culture and try to avoid Indian culture. We love pizza, McDonald's, Pepsi and Coke but hate Indian recipes. We wear jeans, skirts and often criticise our saris and suits. We take pride in a foreign language but fail to learn and appreciate our languages. We aspire for jobs in USA, UK and Australia etc. and are filled with regret for being born and living in India. Undoubtedly, we are independent but monetarily paralysed. We do not think independently, we often believe what others make us believe.

All this makes one think that are we really independent? Are we a free nation? Are we worthy of any praise? India should come together to answer these questions as this cannot be done by an individual but the whole nation.

It would be unfair to say that that we cannot do anything because when we Indians decide to do something, then nothing is impossible for us. It is just momentary laziness and lack of encouragement that has led to this situation. So I call upon all the people, especially the youth of the nation, to come forward and break all the shackles to

make the country truly independent and free. Everyone should pledge to work towards the development of India in a true sense and make India a place of integrity and happiness and mark it as a prosperous nation on the world map. Only then we will be independent in the true sense of the term.



Mrs. S. Rajalakshmi Parent of Sr. KG student

## Are we actually Independent?

When I think about independence, I think about the freedom of the country which we got on 15<sup>th</sup> August 1947 and we celebrate every year.

But when sometimes I think about the questions like- 'Do our children have the freedom to select the career?' 'Do we have freedom from caste discrimination?' 'Do the girls have the liberty to go out alone?' or 'Have we got the freedom from the communal tensions?' I feel that we have to reconsider our freedom.



Mr. Upendra Singh Bisen Parent of Sanat Bisen Sr. KG B

## Janmashtami Fervour

Learning how dairy products are useful to stay healthy on the occasion of Janmashtami.













Rakshabandhan was a fun-filled day for the tiny tots as they learned how trees are useful and how to take care them.

## Sail Ship Paper Craft



Sr. KG students enjoyed the Sail Ship Craft Making.

#### **Little Skaters**



Shrujana Rakshe won a gold medal in 500m U-6 Beginner Skate Competition in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Indoor All India Open Roller Speed Skating Championship.

**Vihan Patel** bagged 2 gold medals in U-5 500m and 1000m in the Professional Inline Competition in 2<sup>nd</sup> Indoor All India Open Roller Speed Skating Championship.



"Liberty has never come from the government. Liberty has always come from the subjects of it. The history of liberty is a history of resistance." --Woodrow Wilson

3 Powered By: Caribido Are we really Independ	lent?
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Yes, we are independent, but we should utilise it fully because we are free and can voluntarily take the charge of social awareness and can independently do our duties for the social welfare. Siya Sarada V Vindhyachal Yes, I think we are independent because we are free to do the	The answer to this question is easy for some and difficult for others. Our country is independent because of the great leaders and we have to keep that in mind before we think and act. Ovee M. VII Raman
things the way we want. We have the freedom to do the work which we want. We can roam around without anyone stopping us, so I think we are independent. Jeena Karam VII Kalam No, we are not entirely independent. If we stop the violence,	Independence is the greatest gift that our great leaders gave us. They fought for our freedom until the very last breath to ensure that we do not have to face what they had to. But nowadays, are we really independent? Are low-income families free to send their children to schools? Are our daughters free to roam at late nights? Are we free to raise our voice against the administration? According to me, India will be independent when we are free from corruption and manipulation. <b>Vedika Sankul VI Trishul</b>
our country will be the best country in the world. We need to make efforts in the right direction to be called as an independent country. Aditya Gaikwad V Nilgiri भारत स्वातंत्र आहे. आपण आज फिरु शकतो, बोलू शकतो, परंतु अजूनही बऱ्यावशा सुधारणा होण्याची गरज आहे. विकसीत राष्ट्राची बरोबरी करायची	To make India independent, casteism should be thrown out of our society. Casteism can be observed happening in many parts of India and we should stop such practices with an immediate effect. If we take these steps, then we will definitely become independent. Ruhi Patil
असेल तर सुधारणा घडवून आणणे गरजेचे आहे. Manas Patil	V Nilgiri
ऐशानी कुयाते २ री पाइनएप्पल अापण फक्त कागदोपत्रीस्वतंत्र आहोत. जेव्हा सर्व मुली न घाबरता बाहेर फिरु शकतील आणि सर्वांना अन्न, निवारा, रोजगार ज्या दिवशी उपलब्ध होईल तेव्हा भारताचा प्रत्येक	ण्याचे भ्रष्टाचारमुक्त होईल. आजही श्व हे मुर्लीना एक जबाबदारी किंवा लताना ओझे म्हणून हत्या केली चोरांची जाते. या सर्व गोष्टीमध्ये
नागरीक स्वतंत्र होईल.	स्वताप. जनक कोलहे जनह्तवी ढेपे हिमालया ६ वी ब्रम्होस दिवारा त्या स्त्रीयांना, तुम्ही सुरक्षित आहात का? त्यांच्या डोळ्यातील अश्रुंचे कारण आपणच आहोत. विचारा त्या शेतकऱ्यांना, रवातांयाचा तुम्हाला काय पायदा? ते म्हणतात आत्महत्येशिवाय आमच्याकडे दुसरा पर्याय नाही. चला सर्व किळून कठ्र्या पर्व्याय नाही. चला सर्व किळून कठ्र्या पर्व्याय नाही. चला सर्व क्रिळून कठ्या पर्व्या निर्णय खरा भारतीय बनण्याचा.

"For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others." --Nelson Mandela

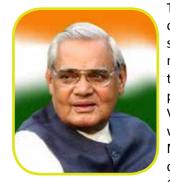




## **Remembering Atal Bihari Vajpayee**







The person who made us realise that our aim may be as high as the endless sky, but we should have a resolution in mind to walk ahead hand-in-hand and the victory will be ours, is the great personality none other than Atal Bihari Vajpayee. He was an Indian politician who served three terms as the Prime Minister of India: the first term of 13 days in 1996, then for 13 months from 1998 to 1999 and finally for a full term

from 1999-2004. He was a member of the Indian Parliament for over four decades, having been elected in the Lok Sabha and twice in the Rajya Sabha. He was honoured with Bharat Ratna in 2015, Padma Vibhushan in 1992. This great personality breathed his last on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2018 in Delhi, but left us with all his wisdom and knowledge.

Dhanashree Dhanorkar IX Venus

## **Boys' Welfare Committee**



Boys' Welfare Committee arranged a 'Debate Competition' for boys of Std. VI to X on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The debate spread awareness about patriotism which nowadays seen in renewed form. Patriotism or national pride is the ideology of love and devotion towards one's homeland and a sense of alliance with other citizens who share the same values. The debate was judged by Mrs. Rishina Desai, Mrs. Roopali Joshi and Mrs. Shofi Dave. Our Hon. Principal Sir appreciated the participants' efforts.

> Riya Jaju VIII TOPAZ

# Natural Calamity hits Kerala







The anger of nature cannot be expressed in words as the devastating effects can be felt just by visualising the conditions. Recently, Kerala suffered with one of the worst natural calamities of the decade and our school is

immensely sympathetic towards innocents suffering the punishments of nature. Hence, we decided to actively participate in taking care of people of Kerala who were living on the top of their houses to keep themselves away from the water. To help them, PIS, Nasik collected safety material and tried to fulfil the needs of the suffering people. We took the responsibility to send medicines, food grains, oils, etc. to ensure that there will be no deaths due to starvation. To cure the diseased conditions, medication like aspirin and cofsils were delivered to the patients. For sanitisation, sanitary pads and other aseptic materials were delivered. We always try our level best to contribute our bit during disasters. Being a part of this nation, it is our duty to ensure the good health and well-being of the people.

> Atharva Gangurde IX Venus



Girls' Welfare Committee arranged a 'Rakhi Making' competition especially for the girls of Std. VI to X on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018. In Sanskrit, Rakshabandhan literally means 'to tie the knot of protection of a sister by a brother.' It denotes the true affection between a brother and a sister where they are reminded of their blissful past. Our genius Podarites crafted various types of creative rakhis. The competition was judged by our art teachers- Mrs. Padmaja Wagh, Mrs. Shama Jajuand Mr. Hemant.

Riya Jaju VIII TOPAZ



## PIS, Nashik celebrates the Independence Day



15<sup>th</sup> August is the day on which the Indians successfully attained independence. This day is celebrated every year with the feeling of patriotism and love for the country. Every year, the students of PIS, Nashik celebrate it with a lot of energy and enthusiasm. This year, the event was rather dramatic due to the onset of monsoon.

Nevertheless, the rain stopped and the event started with the flag hoisting ceremony. The students had prepared dance performances, songs and skits, which they performed with grace and poise. Their love for our country was reflected in their performances. The occasion successfully concluded with the feeling of respect and honour towards our country.

Aayush Godse IX Venus



In India, National Sports Day is celebrated on 29<sup>th</sup> August every year. This day marks the birthday of Major Dhyan Chand Singh, a hockey player who won gold medals in Olympics for India in the years 1928, 1932 and 1936. After putting his stamp on international hockey arena, he served his country to reach the pinnacles of glory multiple times. He is a legendary figure in the Indian and world hockey. On this day, a special assembly was conducted. The students of Primary and Secondary Grades inspired the other students of PIS, Nashik by their speeches stating the importance of playing sports. They also provided information about the famous sports personalities of India. The PIS sports achievers were appreciated and motivated by our Principal Sir and the General Manager. It was a grand and memorable celebration.

Prachi Sawant VIII Topaz





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One of the things for which the students are thrilled for is the 'Jumpstart Event.' On 27<sup>th</sup> August 2018, the school organised Jumpstart Event on the theme 'Marine Marvels.' In this event, the students learned about the unique and rich marine fauna. The sub-theme was 'The Things I Like about Oceans,' on which the students wrote what attracts them about oceans and the marine world. The students pasted it on the soft board. It helped them to showcase their views about the aquatic life. Moreover, they came to know some amazing facts about the marine world. The students were mesmerised by the new world of colourful marine life unfolded before them.

**Jumpstart Event** 

**Marine Marvel** 

Swaraj Upadhyay VIII Topaz



On 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018, all the members of the Student Council, escorted by their teachers, visited the visually-impaired children of the blind school near College Road. The moment we stepped into the school premises, the warmth and exuberance of the inmates surrounded us. Be it their music, their answering skills in the quiz or the other divine moments shared in the assembly hall; every moment highlighted their complete involvement and robust enthusiasm in the execution of their duties, accompanied with a smile on their lips. We understood how strong and powerful is a person's willpower. Normal people with alright physical features and working conditions tend to curse destiny for some reason or the other. It is said that scarcity brings out the best in a person. That was visible in the specially-abled students.

> Aarohi Patil IX Venus





## Assembly on World Water Day





On the occasion of the World Water Day 2018, Podar International School, Nashik conducted a special assembly on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

In this assembly, the students were informed about the importance of saving water. The students learnt different aspects of conserving water and vowed to be conscious while using water.

> Parth Patil VIII Topaz

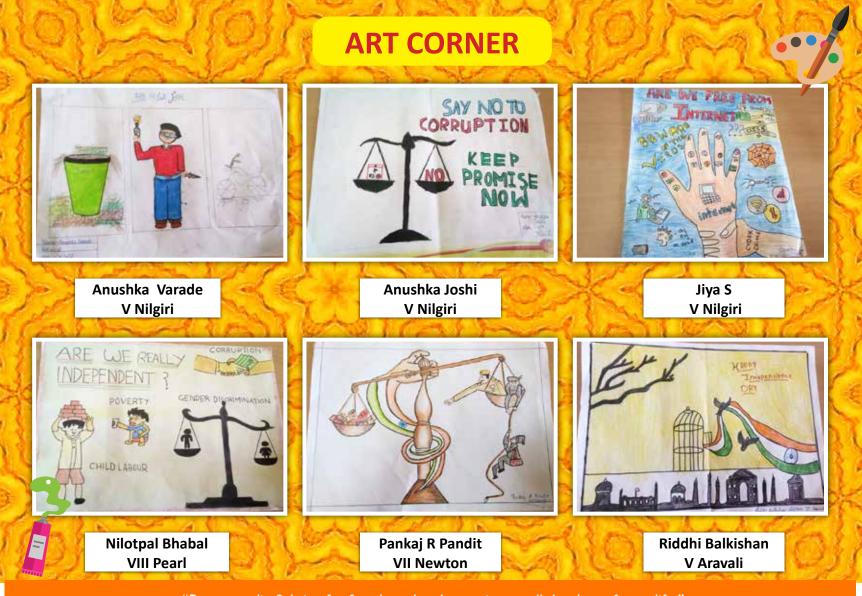
## **Parent-Teacher Association Meet**



The PTA, Parents' Teachers' Association, is a school body that includes parents of students from all classes and some of our school staff members. It functions for the betterment and welfare of the school's students. The first PTA meeting of the academic year 2018-19 was held on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2018, where our beloved Principal Sir addressed the members of the Association and informed them about the yearly agenda. The parents presented their views for the betterment and co-ordination with the staff to implement the same. The session ended on a positive note.



Kwinal Patel IX Venus



"Better to die fighting for freedom than be a prisoner all the days of your life."

--Bob Marley

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Are we really Independent?

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# What does being Independent mean?

India is really independent in all true senses. It has a vast energy force of young brigade which constitutes 40% of total population. India is capable of defending its borders on its own.

India has progressed in the fields of health, science, education and employment. It has made tremendous development in the area of information technology. Except for some nagging issues of terrorism and poverty, we are really independent in all sectors.



Dr. Deepali Patil (Parent of Manas Patil VII- Kalam)



देश में बढता भ्रष्टाचार, बेरोजगारी,	Is India Indeper	ndent?	
	ਸਟਰੀ ਹੋਰੇ	हम आज भी वास्तव में आजाद नहीं हैं, क्योंकि आज भी हम उन्हीं समस्याओं से गुजर रहे हैं । आज भी भुखमरी, लाचारी, गरीबी और मूलभूत चीजों के लिए झगड रहे हैं । आज भी पानी, सडक, बिजली ये समस्यायें हमको जकडें हुये हैं । अत: हम कह सकते हैं कि वास्तव में हम आजाद नहीं हैं । अदिती दानेकर	१५ अगस्त २०१८, वैसे तो कहने को हम आजाद हैं पर क्या वाखत में हम आजाद हैं? मेरी नजर में तो १५ अगस्त १९४७ को सिर्फ आजाद हुआ था, भारतवासी नहीं क्योंकि जात-पॉत के बंधन के एवं आरक्षण रुपी बेडियों के हम आज भी गुलाम हैं। आरुषि योगेश शिंदे
आ जा दी के सही मायने के तौर पर हम ऐसी संवेधानिक व्यवस्था की बात करते हैं, जिसमें हर नागरिक के पास अभिव्यक्ति की स्वतन्त्रता हो, स्वेच्छानुसार अपनी बात कहने का अधिकार हो। कृष्णा कुलकर्णी ४ थी रेनबो	भारत हमारा स्वतंत्र देश है। कहने को तो हम स्वतंत्र देश	४ थी ऊर्जा	३री प्लेटिनम
	में रहते हैं, लेकिन हकीकत में नजारा कुछ और ही है । आजादी के बाद भी हम वास्तव में आजाद नहीं हुये । दंगे, बम विस्फोट जैसी घटनाओं से भारत की स्वतंत्रता पर प्रश्नचिन्ह लगा हुआ है । गौरव रामभोटकर ३री एमराल्ड		द हैं? नहीं मानसिक रूप से ii हम आज भी आजाद नहीं म हैं क्योंकि आज भी देश त जातिवाद एवं संप्रदायवाद
आजादी के ६९ साल के बाद भी हम आजाद नहीं हैं क्योंकि आज में कई घरों में महिलाओं पर अत्याचार हो रहे हैं। अपहरण, हत्या, गैंगरेप जैसे कांड हो रहे हैं । आजाद भारत में कोई भी इंसान सुरक्षित नहीं है। वंशिका गडोडिया ४ थी ऊर्जा	हम सिर्फ कहने के लिए आजाद हैं। वास्तव में हम आजात नहीं हैं। कुछ बातें जो हमें एहसास दिलाती हैं, कि हम आजाद नहीं हैं जैसे- आज भी कोई व्यक्ति देर रात अकेंट जाने से डरता है, बेटे और बेटियों में फर्क किया जाता है लडकियों के पहनावे को लेकर भी रोका जाता है इत्यादि। तांजित ३री प्लैटिनत	बुलंद नहीं कर पाते, ऐसा क्यें क्योंकि हम आज भी डर के गुला हैं । अतः हम कह सकते हैं कि ह मानसिक रूप से आजाद नहीं हैं । नियति थोर ३री प्लैटिन	े? म भी अनजान बनकर चैन की म नींद सो रहे हैं । दारा ४ थी ऊर्जा

"The advancement and diffusion of knowledge is the only guardian of true liberty." -- James Madison

# PODAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, NASHIK Students' Achievements July/August 2018

## LAWANYA SHANKAR RAO

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**Achievements** 

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Event - Judo(U-14 Year)Position - 3rdBronz MedalStd. - VIII (Ruby)(State Level)Participated In - ICSE Council's NationalSports and Games 2018Organised By- AISM/ICSE School, MumbaiDistrict - Mumbai



### AKANKSHA S. SHINDE

 Event - Judo
 (U-17 Year)

 Position - 1<sup>st</sup>
 Gold Medal

 Std - IX (Jupiter)
 (State Level)

 Participated In - ICSE Council's National

 Sports and Games 2018

 Organised By - AISM/ICSE School, Mumbai

 District - Mumbai



### NIDHI PUJARI

Event - Chess(U-9 to 13 Year)Position - 5th PlaceStd - V (Aravali)(State Level)Participated In - Fide Rating ChessChampionship - 2018Organised By - All Marathi Chess Association,Maharashtra StateDistrict - Nashik

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## SHANTANU SANGALE

Event - Chess(U-9 to 13 Year)Position - 5th PlaceStd - VIII (Pearl)(State Level)Participated In - Fide Rating ChessChampionship - 2018Organised By - All Marathi Chess Association,Maharashtra StateDistrict - Mumbai



#### **DEVANSH MOURYA**

**RUSHIKESH TAYADE** 

Event - FENCING

Std - VIII (Ruby)

**Position** - Participation

Fencing Chamionship

Association, Malkapur District - Buldhana

**District** - Mumbai

 Event - Chess
 (U-9 to 13 Year)

 Position - Participation

 Std - VIII (Pearl)
 (State Level)

 Participated In - Fide Rating Chess

 Championship - 2018

 Organised By - All Marathi Chess Association,

 Maharashtra State

 District - Mumbai

Participated In - 15th Cadet Maharashtra State

Organised By - Buldhana Dist. Fencing

(U-14 Year)

(State Level)



#### KARTIK SINGH Event - Chess (U-9 to 13 Year) Position - Participation

 Position - Participation

 Std - VI (Brahmos)
 (State Level)

 Participated In - Fide Rating Chess

 Championship - 2018

 Organised By - All Marathi Chess Association,

 Maharashtra State

 District - Mumbai

### KABIR SAYYED

 Event - Fencing
 (U-14 Year)

 Position - Participation

 Std - VIII (Pearl)
 (State Level)

 Participated In - 15<sup>th</sup> Cadet Maharashtra State

 Fencing Chamionship

 Organised By - Buldhana Dist. Fencing

 Association, Malkapur

 District - Buldhana

### VAIDEHI S. DEOKAR

 Event - Rope Mallkhamb
 (U-17 Year)

 Position - 1<sup>st</sup>
 Gold Medal

 Std - IX (Mars)
 (State Level)

 Participated In - ICSE Council's National

 Sports and Games 2018

 Organised By - Euro School, Airoli, Mumbai

 District - Mumbai



 KARTIK SHARMA

 Event - Fencing
 (U-17 Year)

 Position - 3<sup>rd</sup>
 Bronze Medal

 Std - IX (Jupiter)
 (State Level)

 Participated In - 15<sup>th</sup> Cadet Maharashtra State

 Fencing Chamionship

 Organised By - Buldhana Dist. Fencing





## LAKSHYA S. DEOKAR

 Event - Gymnastics
 (U-14 Year)

 Position
 - 1 Gold Medal and 5 Bronze All Round

 Game
 Comparison

Std - VII (Newton) (State Level) Participated In - ICSE Council's National Sports and Games 2018

Organised By - Euro School, Airoli, Mumbai District - Mumbai

"Freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed." --Martin Luther King Jr.