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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents,

Greetings to you!

"The most beautiful things are not associated with money; they are memories and moments. If you don't celebrate those, they can pass you by". - Alek Wek.

Well said.....

Life has become so different, we are accustomed to it, we have accepted it wholeheartedly. I am proud that here at T.M Patel International School we have imbibed technology but not at the cost of culture and tradition. Thus, the theme for August month was "Let's Celebrate".

The tiny tots of Pre-primary celebrated Friendship day and Yellow day. They enthusiastically participated in various activities and made teddy bears. Besides this students of KG I and KG II participated in Show and Tell competition. This helped them develop confidence and public speaking skills.

To celebrate the bond of love between brother and sister, students of grades I to VII had Rakhi Making Competition. To pay tribute to the nation as well as the freedom fighters, Independence Day was celebrated. Students of grades I to VII participated in patriotic songs, speech etc.

Tirangaa the most prestigious event of PEARSON was organised in which 12 schools and 600 participants took part. Various competitions like - PomPom Hockey, Movie Making on Healthy Habits, Fancy Dress, Word Dazzle, The Urban Yogis, Stand-up comedy, Memory game etc. based on the theme "Health & Fitness- Mind, Body and Soul" were organized. Overall it was fun to see our young learners in a festive and celebration mood.

- Ms. Sudha P Murugkar
Vice principal

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THEME – HEALTHY LIVING, SAVE EARTH

HAPPY EARTH, HAPPY BODY - Our body is a temple and it is correctly stated that health is the actual wealth that a person has. Health is something that cannot be bought. A healthy mind resides in a healthy body. Good health of both mind and body helps one to maintain the balance required in life. A fit person is capable of living life to the fullest. Being healthy does not only mean just physical well-being but also internal stability and peace.

Health and positivity come from staying in a healthy environment. Children exposed to nature also learn how to explore, take risks while playing and exercising at the same time. Spending time with nature can improve our vitality, mood and meaningfulness of life. We must give back to nature by spreading awareness and taking steps to conserve it.

- Kayyan E Bava - Adam
Grade – VII A

THEME – SAVE ENVIRONMENT - We all know that saving our environment from pollution is our responsibility. So, how do we save our environment? First we need to love it and then save it.

Humans are responsible for pollution. Pollution is caused exclusively because of everyday human activities. There are many kinds and level of environmental pollution like air pollution, water pollution, soil pollution, noise pollution and other types of pollution such as waste pollution that affects our environment.

There are many ways to keep our environment clean and healthy but the most common and important are 3 R's-
REDUCE – REUSE – RECYCLE.

REDUCE- we can reduce using things which cause environmental pollution, for example we can replace plastic bags with paper or cloth bags which can be used many times.

REUSE- we can re-use products like glass bottles, clothes etc and avoid wastage.

RECYCLE- some products which are not useful can be completely changed by undergoing a process called recycling. This is done in a recycling facility.



PROGRAMMES AT SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

DRAWING AND COLOURING COMPETITION - "Every child is an artist", said Pablo Picasso.

Keeping this in mind and to explore the creative potential in the young minds of students an Interclass drawing and colouring competition for grades Nursery to VII was conducted on Friday, 20th April 2018 at TM Patel International School. The theme of the activity was Healthy Living for the pre-primary wing and Save the Earth for the primary wing.

The children showcased their creative skills in drawing and colouring and came up with amazing artwork. They passed on the message "Save Mother Earth".

MANGO DAY CELEBRATION - It was a sweet juicy morning for the tiny tots of TM Patel International School, when the students of Pre-primary delightfully entered the school premises in order to celebrate MANGO DAY on Thursday, 26th April 2018.

The day started with a general conversation about the king of fruits - Mango, followed by rhymes and singing session which the kids enjoyed thoroughly.

Teachers briefed the students about it being the king of fruits, not only for its taste and corpulent yellow colour, but also for the nutrients it offers like vitamin C and vitamin A. This fibrous fruit boosts our digestive system and prevents from getting heat - stroke. The students were also informed about the various forms of its consumption such as- mango shake, ice cream, jam, pickle, chutney etc.

The little chefs enjoyed the kitchenette activity and prepared mango salad which they relished.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY - On 5th June, 2018, World Environment Day was celebrated at TM Patel International School. This year our students set out on a campaign against the use of plastic bags. To create awareness, the team of students, teachers and administrative staff distributed recycled bags at VR Mall, Surat.

The main objective of the campaign was to give people a real face of environmental issues caused by the use of plastic and urge them to become eco-friendly.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY ON EID CELEBRATION - A special assembly was conducted by students of Grade I A on 13th June, 2018, under the guidance of the class teacher Ms. Surbhi Dawar, on the occasion of Eid. The students showcased the importance of Eid. Teacher Sabiha Painter shared a few facts about Eid.

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION - The pre-primary children of TM Patel International School celebrated Father's Day with great enthusiasm on Tuesday, 19th June 2018 in the school premises.

The pre-primary students sang songs to welcome their fathers and express their feelings. The respective class teachers were also introduced. The willing fathers were invited on stage to share their thoughts. Fathers spontaneously articulated their special sentiments on how they bond with their children and what is best about it.



Several activities were planned for the father-child duo. Some of the fathers spoke about how much they appreciated that our school makes time for occasions such as this, to foster the importance of relationships and family values.

INTERNATIONAL MUSIC DAY AND YOGA DAY CELEBRATION - T M Patel International School, Surat celebrated "The International Yoga Day" and Music Day on Thursday, 21st June 2018. There was a special musical performance by the students of Grades V to VII. The Yoga Day program started with chanting of mantras. Later students performed different asanas under the guidance of their yoga instructor Ms. Richa Gurnani. This was a great opportunity to imbue the value of discipline. These asanas were taught to bring about holistic approach to health and well-being among the students.

FIELD TRIP TO AQUARIUM - On account of World Ocean Day the Pre-primary students of TMPIS visited the city aquarium on Thursday, 28th June 2018 and saw different types of aquatic animals. Students couldn't hold their excitement and were awestruck at the sheer variety of marine life.

To make the field trip a self-discovery learning experience students were given a task to observe the details of the aquatic animals and then they had group discussion and shared their observations.

PASE AND INVESTITURE CEREMONY - T M Patel International school, a Pearson School, proudly conducted 'Pearson Award for Student Excellence' on Friday, 29th June 2018, a new initiative to motivate the students for excelling in academics, sports and performing arts. These awards were presented for the academic session 2017-18. The programme was followed by the Investiture Ceremony. The newly elected members of the Student Council took the oath to office. The Student Council members are the young leaders of our School who will work along with the teachers and staff members to take the school to greater heights.

Parents of students of Grades V to VII added value to the event with their presence and encouraged the young achievers and leaders.

ACADEMICS AWARD

STAR ACHIEVER WHO SCORED MORE THAN 90% IN EACH SUBJECT -

Grade V - Manan Nagar (Hindi, Science, Social Studies)

Divam Sarawagi - Social Studies

IMPROVEMENT AWARD

SUPER STAR WHO IMPROVED THEIR ACADEMICS AND BEHAVIOUR FROM HY TO TERM END -

Grade V - Ms. Aashrita Ande, Master Heet Shah

Grade VI - Ms. Jinal Pasoli

OPEN HOUSE - 1 - Parents Teachers Meet was conducted on Saturday, 30th June '18. It was an opportunity to discuss a

learners' academic growth and social-behavioural approach. It was pro-actively led by parents and teachers aiming for the growth and development of the learner.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAININGS

- Ms. Nidhi Thapar, Deputy General Manager - Academics, Pearson India, conducted a training session on MyPedia for Pre primary and Primary teachers on 12th April, 2018.

- A training on Bloom's Taxonomy was conducted by Ms. Nidhi Thapar, Deputy General Manager - Academics, Pearson India on 13th and 14th April, 2018.

- Mr. Ravi Kiran, Yardstick Department, conducted training session on enhancing teaching through yardstick activities on 21st April, 2018.

- An induction training was conducted on Academic Governance Manual by Ms. Sudha Murugkar, Vice-Principal, on 30th May, 2018.

- Ms. Sudha Murugkar, Vice Principal emphasised on usage of Wonder Wall to encourage curiosity of learners about unknown facts on 31st May, 2018.

- Ms. Sudha Murugkar, Vice Principal conducted a training on MyPedia on 1st June, 2018.

- A training on Innovation in classroom was conducted by Mr. Bhargav, Innovation Department on 2nd June, 2018.

- Ms. Jayashree Mukherjee Nair, Pearson India conducted a training session on Phonetics and Pronunciation on 15th June, 2018.

HEALTH, SAFETY AND CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

To make the roots of HSCP culture stronger TMPIS organised different training and awareness workshops such as –

- Corporal Punishment by Ms. Nidhi Thapar, DGM- Academics, Pearson India on 11th April, 2018.

- Staff awareness on abuses by Ms. Surbhi Dawar - HSCP Coordinator on 28th May, 2018.

- POCSO training by Ms. Surbhi Dawar - HSCP Coordinator on 29th May, 2018.

- HSCP Induction By Mr. Parshvdeep Singh, DGM- School Management, Pearson India on 30th May, 2018.

- Sensitization of third party employees by Ms. Surbhi Dawar - HSCP Coordinator on 6th June, 2018

- Hygiene Culture by Ms. Nekshan Amrolla - Food Safety Team Leader on 8th June, 2018.

- Classroom Behaviour training for learners by Ms. Nita Chhatwani - Counsellor on 20th June, 2018.

- Bus Driver's Training on Defensive Driving Basics by Ms. Surbhi Dawar - HSCP Coordinator on 21st June, 2018.

- Global Health and Safety Policy by Ms. Sudha Murugkar - Vice Principal on 25th June, 2018.

STUDENT'S CORNER

THEME: SAFEGUARDING AND PROTECTION - HSCP stands for Health, Safety and Child Protection.

Today bullying and abusing are common. To avoid these we should follow the rules given below-

1. If you're bullied report to someone whom you trust.
2. If someone touches you and you feel uncomfortable, shout "NO", "DON'T DO IT" yell and just run from there and find your guardian or parents or police and share with them.
3. Never bully anyone.
4. If you see someone being bullied, call the police or help if you can.
5. Never use abusive words.

To be safe, never ignore the points mentioned above.

- Ashrita Ande
Grade - VI A

THEME: LET'S CELEBRATE - The theme of this month is 'LET'S CELEBRATE!'

Celebrate means to experience joy and happiness of a day and to enjoy it. We celebrate the first Sunday of August as Friendship day. Friendship is the essence that never fades with time, it is a relation that gets stronger day by day.

Pateti is also celebrated in the month of August. Pateti is the Parsi New year.

And most importantly this month is a celebration for every Indian for being a citizen of a free nation.

- Mast. Dwij Thakkar
Grade - VI A

FRUIT SALAD MAKING COMPETITION - The students of TMPIS celebrated "World Fruit Day" on Friday, 6th July 2018 with an objective to create awareness among children about the importance of consumption of fruits in their regular diet. Students of Grades I to VII participated enthusiastically in the competition.

Each student brought various varieties of fruits and displayed them to prepare a fruit salad. The creativity of the students was clearly visible, as they created different shapes like boats, animals, cars etc. Equal emphasis was on the safety and hygiene considerations which were to be kept in view while preparing and dressing the final product.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY ON SAFE TOUCH AND UNSAFE TOUCH ORIENTATION - An awareness programme on 'Safe Touch and Unsafe Touch' was conducted at TMPIS on Wednesday, 18th, July 2018. HSCP committee conducted the session with an aim to spread awareness among the students about how to prevent and act in certain situations like saying

'NO' when being touched or held uncomfortably',

'GO' to people in their Safe Circle (parents, teachers and HSCP co-ordinator) people who could help and protect them.



'TELL' experiences if they have witnessed or experienced any unsafe situation without keeping any secret.

Students were shown 'KOMAL' video on Safe Touch and Unsafe touch and were explained to respect their bodies and also others.

The programme concluded on a positive note and lots of learning.

STUDENT EXCELLENCE PROGRAMME - TM Patel International School, ensures that every child achieves and reaches the highest standards possible and be independent lifelong learners. Thus the school encourages them to establish their own approach and personalize their learning, depending on their local context and unique circumstances. The Students' Excellence Programme was held on Friday 27th July '18 to provide a platform to the students to share what they have learned so far.

Students of Grades I to III presented their learning about the various subjects in the form of skits, songs, and presentations etc. The skits by students of Grade I on "All about Dolphins" and "Meena Makes a Friend" were much appreciated by the parents.

The little tots were as excited and happy as they got an opportunity to showcase their learning in front of their parents. The parents appreciated the hard work of the teachers and praised the school team's efforts.

CLAY MODEL MAKING COMPETITION - T M Patel International School organized a clay model making competition on Friday, 20th July 18 for Pre-Primary students. The little ones were all set to give their best and used their tiny artistic hands to create models. The main objective of the competition was to enhance the motor skills and dexterity by manipulating the clay and broadening their repertoire of actions such as squeezing, pinching, stretching, digging, crushing, hitting, shredding, tearing, flattening and rolling.

PEARSON SCHOOL INDIA AUDIT 2018 - Every Audit presents a clear picture of how an organization functions in accordance with the set procedures and norms. T.M. Patel International School cleared the PSI Audit 2018 conducted by Cdr. Narendra Kumar and Cluster Head Mr. Anupam on 26th July with a score of 99%. The audit team physically inspected each bus and nook and corner of the school premises and reviewed each parameter of health and safety as per laid norms. This result is a collective effort of the entire team of TMPIS and their vigilant dedication towards creating HSCP as a culture.

HEALTH, SAFETY AND CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

- Ergonomics training for administrative staff by Ms. Surbhi Dawar - HSCP Coordinator on 11th July, 2018.
- Vendor's training for blue collar staff by Ms. Surbhi Dawar - HSCP Coordinator on 14th July, 2018.
- Personal Hygiene training to canteen staff by Ms. Nekshan Amrolia - Food Safety Team Leader on 14th July, 2018.
- Fire Safety training for blue collar staff on 14th July, 2018.
- HSCP Training for Bus Driver Staff by Ms. Surbhi Dawar - HSCP Coordinator on 18th July, 2018.



- Fire Safety Training for school staff on 18th July, 2018.

TEACHER'S CORNER

In India festivals are events where the spirit of the country is expressed. Unity in Diversity stands true when we witness festivals as those occasions where the diverse people of our country celebrate enthusiastically and embrace the varied culture and its traditions. There lies a significance and science behind the celebration of each festival. The core is that most intense appearances of life are witnessed through a celebratory way. The focus to celebrate is demonstration of the lifestyle and culture followed by a person. Since India is known as an agricultural country, majority of celebrations are the outcome of harvesting days be it Baisakhi, Pongal, Harell or Onam Besides this, the celebration of Raksha Bandhan shares the profound aspect of life that for every sister there is a brother, who vows to stand by her side and support her. Independence Day instills the feeling of patriotism, when head of every Indian is raised high to salute their flag with due respect to our freedom fighters and the soldiers who are the backbone to our freedom. Be it national festivals, harvest festivals or religious festivals, India as a country and its people, celebrate life with full zest and zeal.

To conclude it is very rightly said by Oprah Winfrey, "the more you praise and celebrate your life, the more there is in life to celebrate".

- Ms. Surbhi Dawar

MEASLES RUBELLA VACCINATION CAMP - The conduct of Measles-Rubella vaccination camp was an important factor in achieving measles elimination and the elimination of indigenous rubella. As per the directives of SMC, the vaccination camp was conducted on Monday, 6th August, 2018.

YELLOW DAY AND FRIENDSHIP DAY CELEBRATION - "Yellow is the colour of optimism, glory, sunshine, enlightenment and happiness. Yellow colour promises positive future as well as energy".

TM Patel International School celebrated Yellow Day along with Friendship Day on Friday, 10th August 2018. Pre-primary students had a wonderful time during the activities that were conducted to reinforce the yellow colour. Children sat together and made teddy bears with their teachers and friends.

RAKHI MAKING COMPETITION - The chaste bond of love between a brother and a sister is one of the deepest and noblest of human emotions. 'Raksha Bandhan' or 'Rakhi' is a special occasion to celebrate this emotional bonding by tying a holy thread around the wrist. This thread, which pulsates with sisterly love and sublime sentiments, is rightly called the 'Rakhi'. It means 'a bond of protection', and Rakshabandhan signifies that the strong must protect the weak from all that's evil.

Rakhi Making competition was organized for the students of grades I to VII in TM Patel international School on Friday, 10th August 2018. All the students participated with zeal and fervor and prepared colorful rakhis and made the event successful.

SHOW AND TELL - Ability to communicate is an important 21st century skill and hence we believe in providing ample opportunities to our learners to express their views clearly and



confidently. We organized 'SHOW AND TELL' competition for the students of KG I and KG II on Monday, 13th August 2018. The tiny tots chose their favourite thing and spoke about it. The little speakers describe their objects eloquently. It was indeed a great experience!

INDEPENDENCE DAY - On Wednesday, 15th August 2018, TM Patel International School celebrated Independence day with zeal and spirit befitting the occasion.

The chief guest for the event was Ms. Ajita Italiya who holds the record for lavasa women's drive in the Guinness Book of World Records. Trustees of TM Patel International School and parents graced the occasion. The Indian tricolor was unfurled in the school in the morning. The guests, trustees and vice-principal were escorted by the Student Council.

Thereafter, the cultural program began with the welcoming of guests.

Master Savya Saraf welcomed the parents. The students set the pitch for the programme with a prayer song. The dancers of Grades V and VI showcased their love for mother earth. This colourful performance received much deserved applause from the audience. The school choir enthralled the audience with patriotic songs. School Captain Master Manan Nagar and School Cultural Captain Master Tanay Khemani wonderfully expressed their love for the country in a speech.

The Vice Principal, Ms. Sudha Murugkar thanked the parents for their encouraging presence. Post this cultural extravaganza, the event ended with the vote of thanks extended by the School Captain Master Manan Nagar followed by the distribution of sweets to all the students.

OPEN HOUSE - 2 - Parents Teachers Meet was conducted on Saturday, 18th August'18. The result for Periodic Test I was discussed with parents in regards to the performance and academic growth of the learner.

TIRANGAA 2018 - TM Patel International School organized third edition of the inter-school cultural fest - 'TIRANGAA 2018' on Friday, 24th August 2018. Tirangaa is organized every year with the vision of tapping hidden talent in every child. The event is organized on the occasion of Independence Day to provide a fun inter-school platform for children to compete and exhibit their skills within their respective age groups.

With an aim to improve the physical and mental health of students and create awareness around maintaining a stable health regime for better learning, the theme of Tirangaa 2018

was "Health & Fitness- Mind, Body and Soul". The fest hosted at TM Patel International school witnessed participation from over 600 Students representing more than 12 schools from Surat.

To make the students realise their potential, and work happily and productively, Tirangaa 2018 included various physical and health-themed activities such as PomPom Hockey, Movie Making on Healthy Habits, Fancy Dress, Word Dazzle, The Urban Yogis, Stand-up Comedy, Jog Your Brain etc. across various age groups. The fest provided a platform for schools and educators to highlight the impact of health and fitness on student's academic performance.

The winners of Tirangaa 2018 was the host school - T.M. Patel International School and the runners up were J. H. Ambani Saraswati Vidya Mandir. Following the good gesture and fair competitive spirit, the trophy was handed over to the first runner up i.e. J. H. Ambani

HEALTH, SAFETY AND CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING - Re-training of third party staff on Corporal Punishment, Zero Tolerance Policy Undertaking, formal duties and responsibilities assigned followed by undertaking from bus ancillaries by Ms. Surbhi Dawar - HSCP Coordinator on 17th August, 2018.



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