

# उद्यन- THE NEWS LETTER



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SCHOOL**  
GAUTAM BUDDH NAGAR



**Grades: 1-2**  
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## In House/External Events:

### Events:

- Hindi Udbhav
- Regard Before You Discard
- 75<sup>th</sup> Republic Day
- Figurative Language
- Spellathon

SNIPPETS

## Hindi Udbhav (हिंदी उद्भव)

"हृदय की कोई भाषा नहीं है, हृदय - हृदय से बातचीत करता है और हिंदी हृदय की भाषा है।" - महात्मा गाँधी

With this ethos, we at DPS GBN, celebrated Hindi Special Week "Hindi Udbhav" with great pride. Our young Dipsites of Grades 1 and 2 learnt some important and educative facts about Hindi. The special week kick started with an enriching activity 'सुरम्य भाषा', where our little munchkins learnt about golden words in Hindi and were briefed that Hindi is an ancient language that dates back to 5000 years, it is the third most spoken language in the world. In continuation of this theme, the children expressed themselves in Show and Tell activity while carrying their favourite toys or books. It was truly delightful to observe the children showcase their proficiency in Hindi with such confidence during the activity. Last but not the least, was teaching children the wisdom of Kabir's couplet like- 'गुरु गोविंद दोऊखड़े .....' and 'बड़ा हुआ तो क्या हुआ, जैसे पेड़ खजूर .....'. Discovering the richness and importance of Hindi has been an enlightening experience for the children. Understanding its role as the national language and its significance in official matters contributed to their cultural awareness. It was heartening to see the fondness for Hindi language in their sparkling eyes. Indeed, the special week activities achieved valuable outcomes by offering an engaging and informative experience while highlighting the significance of the Hindi language.



## Regard Before you Discard

***"Our task, regarding creativity is to help children climb their own mountain, as high as possible. No one can do more."- Loris Malaguzzi.***

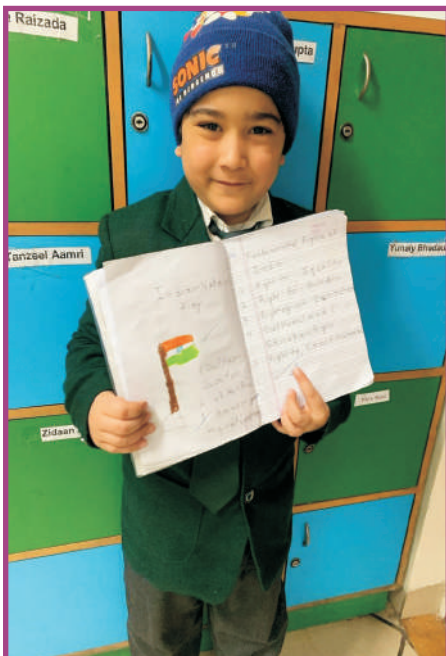
With a motive to bring awareness on how waste matters, and helping our children opt for prudent practice to see how best we can make use of something we intend to throw away, we at DPS, GBN conducted an activity for Grade 1 students "Regard Before you Discard" on January 23, 2024, where our young minds got the opportunity to showcase their talent and explore their creativity by making something innovative out of waste materials available at home. They exhibit their ingenuity by using broken bangles, old cups, newspapers, plastic bottles, peanut shells, beads, old CDs etc. and turned it into a master piece. Our little bundles of joy never fail to surprise us with their creative thoughts and sheer ideas as they made wall hangings, pen stands, piggy banks, bird feeder, and many more useful things out of discarded items. It was genuinely incredible to witness their efforts and appreciate their utilisation of waste products. The values like preservation, recycling, conservation, reduce, reuse etc. were imbibed on the young hearts and minds of our students by demonstrating this noble act of caring for the environment.



## 75<sup>th</sup> Indian Republic Day

**"We are Indians, firstly and lastly." – B. R. Ambedkar**

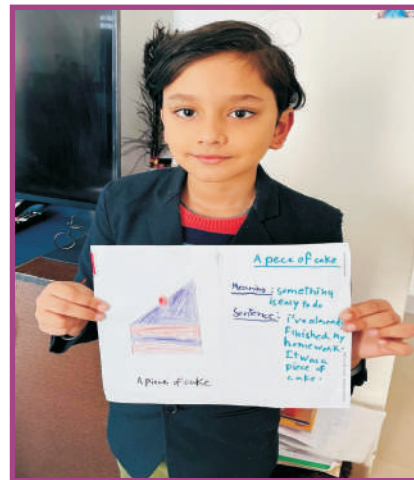
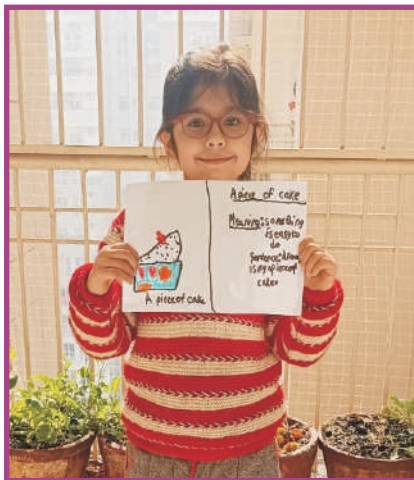
National days are important in the lives of small children as they get inspired and motivated with the history of their country and the sacrifices made by the brave freedom fighters. DPS, GBN celebrated the 75th Republic Day with immense patriotic fervour and zeal. A plethora of activities were organised to infuse the spirit of unity, brotherhood and patriotism among the students of Grades 1 and 2. The young learners were briefed about the Republic day Parade, flag hoisting by the President and the National Bravery Awards which are given to children from all over India for their meritorious acts of bravery. To add an element of creativity in the celebration, children sketched the national flag and learnt the significance of all the three colours. The children were fascinated and amazed by learning about the symbolic meanings behind the colours of Indian National flag. At the same time our little dipsites got acquainted with how the constitution was framed and the six fundamental rights granted to every citizen. The students also paid a fitting tribute to Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's inspiring journey and his contribution towards eradicating the social evils. Not only this, they were also apprised briefly about the making of the Indian constitution, its unique features and the fact that all students and the younger generation should know about the constitution in order to understand the rules of their country better. These activities inculcated a sense of collective identity and each child pledged to uphold the honour and integrity of our nation.



## Essence of English Language

***"Metaphors have a way of holding the most truth in the least space." - Orson Scott***

As an integral part of the learning process, work education involves purposeful and meaningful work performed by the students that are useful to society, as well as providing the satisfaction of achieving personal fulfilment. It was the theme of Figurative Language that inspired Work Education this month. Literature and communication rely heavily on figurative language. The freedom to express ideas creatively and imaginatively is the main element of any figurative language. Keeping the same ethos in mind an array of activities were organised for Grades 1 and 2 children. It was the first time the children were exposed to idioms, and they came to understand that literal meaning differs greatly from what the words actually mean. Some common idioms were taught to the children through a PowerPoint presentation which enabled them to understand that Idioms not only enhance their vocabulary, but also their notion of expression. It adds humour and interest to the conversation, making it more engaging for the listener. In the second activity, children acted as objects as part of personification play. Each child came up with a unique idea of expression, and their efforts were appreciated by one and all. The personification play lit a creative spark in students, helping them become more imaginative thinkers.



## Spelling On-the-Go

***"To learn to read is to light a fire; every syllable that is spelled out is a spark."***

***-Victor Hugo***

Learning a language is the foremost step in the life of a child as it helps them to communicate with the world and school plays a vital role in training the child in this direction. To enhance the language proficiency and vocabulary of our little learners, DPS GBN organised the Spell-a-thon activity for Grade 2 children. Spellathon requires students to identify the words and spell them out in different conditions with varying difficulty levels. It is a good way to improve pronunciation and enrich vocabulary. Preparing for Spellathon helped students to understand words more deeply as they learnt definitions, language of origin or etymology, usage in a sentence, along with the spelling of words. Grade 2 children keenly participated in the activity and memorized the words of 'ou' and 'ew' sounds. They were quizzed based on these sounds. Each child performed amazingly well. This initiative aimed not only at fostering linguistic skills but also enhancing their listening skills. Indeed, this activity provided an interesting doorway for students to inculcate love for words, to challenge their limits, take pride in their efforts and explore their linguistic mettle.

