KINGSTON HIGH



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EXCEL THROUGH KNOWLEDGE



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OUR VISION

To foster enjoyable, holistic education in a secure, supportive and inclusive environment, creating an impact in society.

OUR MISSION

by providing the best environment with Christ-centred values, to nurture and inspire young minds to understand and fulfil their purpose.



SCHOOL SONG

We stand together to build up our nation
Holding hands we rise,
To excel in knowledge, this is our promise
Holding hands we rise
As we grow in Kingston High
Let's jump: reach out for the skies
Let's jump; praise God on high
With love and strength and hope we climb
As we grow in Kingston High.

With strength and honour, we build our foundation
On truth and love we rely.
Building our future, with faithful resolution
On truth and love we rely
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DIRECTORS Message



MR. MICHAEL THOMAS DIRECTOR

Kingston High School

As the founders of Kingston High School, we believe it is by God's divine plan that we have been given the opportunity to serve in the field of education.

We are filled with deep gratitude as we witness the school and its dedicated teachers positively impacting so many young lives.

Each member plays a vital role in creating a nurturing environment where students thrive.

At Kingston High, our vision is to shape personalities that are kind, empathetic, and mindful.

It is our heartfelt dream to nurture and inspire future leaders through this institution.

MRS. NITASHA NILKANTH **ACADEMIC DIRECTOR**



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S

Desk



MS. TAMARA HEREFORD
Kingston High School

Looking at the year gone by, fills me with hope and encouragement that Kingston continues to foster education that goes far beyond the pages of a textbook. Our mission is to nurture the whole child — to develop not only academic excellence but also the vital skills of creativity, collaboration, organisation, and discipline that are essential for success in today's ever-changing world. These qualities are being cultivated every day through the active involvement of our students in every aspect of school life.

It has been truly inspiring to see our students lead from the front this year. Whether it was taking charge of the Annual Day production of Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, the Kindergarten Annual Day performance of Goodnight Princess, or competing passionately in the Inter House Sports and Music Competitions, our students demonstrated remarkable initiative, creativity, and teamwork.

"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn." -Benjamin

Franklin

These experiences are shaping them into confident, capable individuals, ready to meet the challenges of the future.

While we celebrate these achievements, I am proud to share that our academic performance remains outstanding. Our students continue to perform significantly above the national average across all subjects — a testament to their hard work, the dedication of our teachers, and the unwavering support of our parents.

In a world that is rapidly changing and full of uncertainty, the ability to think critically, solve problems, and adapt with creativity and confidence will be essential for success. At Kingston High School, we are proud to be preparing our students not just for exams, but for life, not just to survive, but to thrive — equipping them to lead, and to make a positive difference in whatever paths they choose to follow.



"KINGSTON HIGH: A YEAR OF EXCELLENCE, GROWTH, AND ACHIEVEMENT – ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24"

The psychologist Jean Piaget said, "The goal of education is not to increase the amount of knowledge but to create the possibilities for a child to invent and discover, to create people who are capable of doing new things."

In our efforts to provide a holistic education for our students, we at Kingston have a vision for education that transcends the confines of traditional learning. In a world that is increasingly interconnected and complex, our approach to teaching and learning is also evolving to prepare students not just for exams, but for life itself. We believe that education should foster not just academic success but also personal growth and social responsibility. It is our aim that school becomes a place where students are encouraged to explore, question, and collaborate, where their unique strengths are celebrated and where their challenges are met with support and understanding, cultivating a love for learning that extends beyond the classroom walls.

Since our last Annual Day, Kingston High has had a constant stream of events and achievements to boast of.

We are extremely proud to announce that we have received permanent affiliation to the ICSE Council. We were also granted permission to begin ISC and have started classes for Grade 11. We offer students a range of subjects to choose from in streams of Humanities, Commerce and Science. At the Grade 9 level as well, we have offered students more options with regard to subject choice, introducing Commerce and Economics as core subjects and Mass Media and Communication as electives.

Academically, our students have continued to shine. In the ICSE exams 2023 and 2024, all our students passed with flying colours, with the average being over 85%.

Participation in SOF Olympiads and the KISA Talent Search Exams is noteworthy with over a 100 students registering for each exam. 7 students qualified for the second level of the Olympiad exams and received commendable national and international ranks.

We have always encouraged scientific curiosity in our students. Our Science Exhibition Eureka was conducted in January 2024 and was a resounding success. Students from Grade 1 upwards prepared working models, made presentations and conducted live experiments. Some of our students presented their projects at the REVA university inter-college competition and stood head and shoulders above the other participants. Iraj Debnath of Grade 7 won the competition for his groundbreaking project on Solar power while Meraj Ahmed of Grade 8 got the second place for her anti-sleep alarm, a pair of glasses that prevents drivers from falling asleep at the wheel.

Understanding that students of today learn uniquely and need to be engaged in different ways, we have introduced audiovisual and interactive learning with the installation of smart boards in Grade 7 and above. We aim to have the same in all our classes soon.

Sports and games have always been important at Kingston High. Our athletes and sports teams participated in the Valour Gear Sports Fest, the Vibgyor Viva sports fest, the SFA Championships, RKCA Cricket tournament and Sri Kamalabai Sports tournaments, to name a few. The SFA Championship is a state-wide sports tournament conducted by the Sports Authority of India. Our students performed exceedingly well - Adithyan A of Grade 1 won a Bronze medal in skating, Riddhi and Om Thakur of Grade 5 won a Gold and Silver medal respectively for Squash, and Sydwin Wesley of Grade 7 won the gold medal in carrom. At the TFP Football tournament conducted by Mother Teresa School, our U-11 Boys team won the tournament while our U-13 boys and U-12 girls teams were Runners-up. Our cricket team won the third place in both the RKCA and the SKEI tournaments while the team captain, Talish of Grade 7 was awarded the best bowler of the SKEI tournament. We are also proud to acknowledge our medal winners at district and state level Taekwondo championships - Haniya Khadija of Grade 10, Iraj Debnath and Amelia Tessy of Grade 8.

























Our Gracious Givers Christmas Carnival "Make a Joyful Noise" was greatly appreciated and ended the calendar year on a high note. Choirs from schools and churches from around the city filled the air with melodies of Christmas carols.

The Carnival was conducted to raise funds for the various causes that we support. It was wonderful to see parents, students and staff all working together for a good cause. With the generous support and contributions from our parents and well-wishers, we were able to raise over 2 lakhs which was distributed towards the causes we support - Provision Asia, Nammane Summane, Ashraya School for underprivileged children, and Holy Family Old Age home to name a few.

In conclusion, the past year at Kingston High has been marked by remarkable achievements and a commitment to excellence. With significant milestones such as our permanent affiliation with the ICSE Council, the commencement of ISC classes, and the introduction of new academic subjects, we continue to expand opportunities for our students.

Beyond academics, our students have excelled in sports, science, and extracurricular activities, earning recognition and accolades at both national and international levels. Our community spirit was beautifully reflected in the success of the Gracious Givers Christmas Carnival, where together, we made a meaningful impact on several charitable causes.

As we look forward to another year, we remain steadfast in our mission to provide an environment where curiosity, creativity, and collaboration thrive, enabling our students to grow into confident, responsible, and compassionate individuals. We are grateful to our teachers, students, parents, and all stakeholders for their unwavering support, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunities and challenges the future holds.

PARENT ORIENTATION

01.06.2024





On June 1, 2024, Kingston High School hosted its annual Orientation Program for the parents of kindergarten students and new admissions.

The event was presided over by Dr. Jerry George, a distinguished member of the advisory committee, who delivered an inspiring welcome address to parents and students, setting the tone for their journey at Kingston High.

Following this, Principal Tamara
Hereford provided an insightful
presentation on the school's curriculum,
outlining the subjects offered under the
ICSE and ISC curricula.

The program concluded with Ms. Sandra Brown, Junior School Coordinator, who familiarized parents and students with the school's rules, regulations, and expectations, ensuring a smooth transition into the Kingston High community. The orientation served as a valuable opportunity for parents to gain a deeper understanding of the school's academic framework and policies while fostering a sense of belonging among new students.









PREFECTS INVESTITURE

14.06.2024

The Prefects' Investiture Ceremony of Kingston High School was held on June 14, 2024, in the school auditorium. The event commenced with a warm welcome speech by Jonathan Xavier (Grade XI), followed by an invocation led by Pratham Joel (Grade XI), who guided the audience in prayer. The highlight of the ceremony was the solemn and dignified march of the newly elected prefects.

Our Principal, Ms. Tamara Hereford, administered the oath to the newly appointed Prefects. Subsequently, Daivik V, the School Captain, led the House Captains, Vice-Captains, and Prefects of the four houses—Asher, Benjamin, Reuben, and Simeon—in taking their oath of office.

The prestigious badge ceremony followed, where the Chief Guest, Ms.
Nethra Bhat, along with Managing Director, Mr. Michael Thomas; Academic Director, Ms. Nitasha Nilkanth; Principal, Ms. Tamara Hereford; and Coordinators, Mr. Akhilesh Kumar and Ms. Sandra Browne, conferred badges upon the Prefects, symbolizing their new responsibilities.





"IF YOUR ACTIONS INSPIRE OTHERS TO DREAM MORE, LEARN MORE, DO MORE, AND BECOME MORE, YOU ARE A LEADER." – JOHN QUINCY ADAMS















Chief Guest Ms. Nethra Bhat inspired newly inducted student leaders with a powerful speech on leadership, responsibility, and integrity. The School Choir, trained by Mr. Philip, delivered uplifting performances that enriched the occasion. Mr. Michael Thomas offered the Closing Prayer, marking the end of the ceremony. Amelia Sophie Thomas (Grade XI) delivered a heartfelt Vote of Thanks. Renita Vijju (Grade X) anchored the event with confidence and clarity. Under the guidance of the Principal, the Investiture Ceremony was a remarkable and meaningful success.



THEME DAY AT KINGSTON!

Theme Day is one of the most exciting events in our school calendar. It's that special day when lessons step out of the classroom and learning takes on a whole new colourful twist. Whether it's dressing up as historical figures, bringing a storybook character to life, or exploring the traditions of a culture, Theme Day turns ideas into experiences. It's a day filled with laughter, creativity, and teamwork. Along the way, we discover new facts, share stories, and appreciate the talents of those around us. Theme Day isn't just about looking the part; it's about celebrating learning in a way that's fun, memorable, and shared by the whole school community. At Kingston, we celebrate Theme Day every month! Here's a glimpse of our kids bringing out their creative side and making each month a celebration to remember.











































22.08.2024

Kingston High marked its Annual Day 2024 with grandeur and excitement on 22nd August at Ambedkar Bhavan. The occasion was honoured by the presence of the distinguished Chief Guest, Dr. (Mrs.) B. Gayethri Devi, Secretary of the Karnataka ICSE Schools Association (KISA) and Principal of Little Flower Public School. Her dynamic leadership in education has been an inspiration across Bangalore, and her encouraging words added great significance to the event.

This year's theme transported the audience into the enchanting world of "Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory." The musical showcased the creativity, discipline, and remarkable talent of Kingstonites, leaving the audience enthralled from start to finish. Before the audience was transported into the magical world of Wonka, Jonathan Francis Xavier of Grade 11 shared the incredible journey that led to the production. The planning for this event began as early as January, when the Principal, Ms. Tamara Hereford and Music Director, Mr. Philip Daniel, explored various themes and musicals before finalizing this enchanting choice.

In February, Ms. Tamara Hereford meticulously edited the script, while Mr. Philip Daniel worked on the musical arrangements. Auditions were conducted in March, after which the students received their scripts to practise over the summer vacation. Rehearsals commenced in June, despite the busy school schedule filled with examinations, sports tournaments, and inter-school competitions.





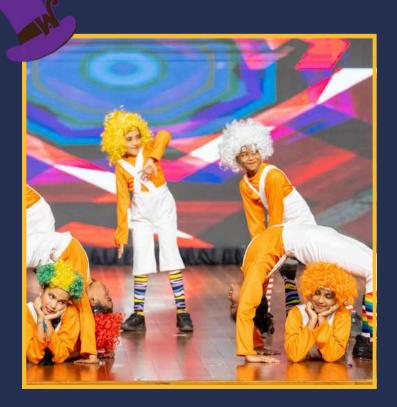


- WILLY WONKA

The teachers contributed immensely to the production—crafting creative props throughout July—while Academic Director, Ms. Nitasha Nilkanth, designed and coordinated the vibrant costumes showcased on stage. A special mention goes to our exceptional Dance Teacher and Choreographer, Mr. Ajay Prasad, whose creativity and energetic choreography elevated the musical and added a magical dimension to every performance. The months of preparation were a whirlwind of excitement and hard work, resulting in memories that students will cherish for a lifetime.

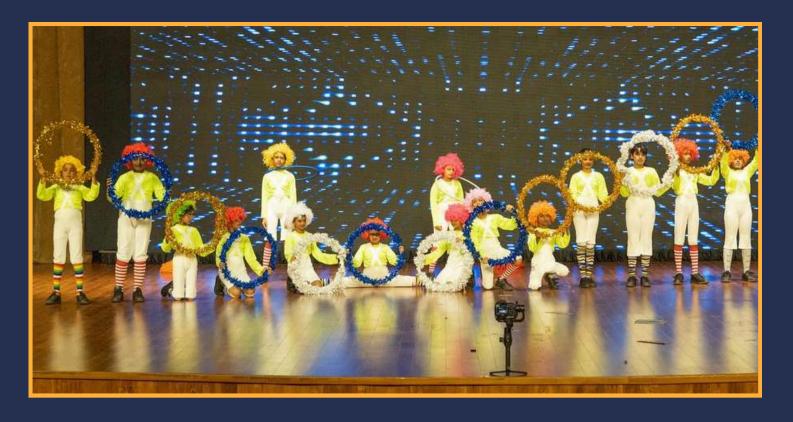
"Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory" isn't merely a delightful tale—it carries a strong message about how good values and a positive attitude always triumph in the end. At Kingston High, we believe that Kingstonites, like the humble and kind-hearted Charlie Bucket, embody the virtues of kindness, compassion, and honesty. These values are what truly set our students apart.

The Annual Day 2024 was a grand success, reflecting the collective passion, discipline, and creativity of the Kingston High community. It was an evening filled with joy, learning, and celebration—one that will be fondly remembered by all.































15.08.2024

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

The 78th Independence Day was celebrated at Kingston High on 15th August 2024 with patriotic fervour.

Managing Director, Mr. Michael Thomas hoisted the national flag, followed by a heartfelt prayer for the nation.

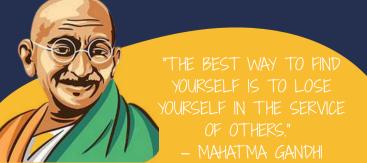
Deesha of Grade 9 delivered a powerful speech on India's glory and civic responsibility.

The school choir presented a patriotic rendition of Vande Mataram, and Gideon of Grade 9 recited a patriotic poem.

The event concluded with the National Anthem, uniting all in pride for the country.

Students later participated in class activities reflecting on the significance of Independence Day.













"IT IS THE SUPREME ART OF THE TEACHER TO AWAKEN JOY IN CREATIVE EXPRESSION AND KNOWLEDGE." — ALBERT EINSTEIN

05.09.2024

Teacher's Day 2024 was joyfully celebrated on September 5. The event was organized by the enthusiastic students of Grades 9, 10, and 11, who not only put up a fantastic programme but also beautifully decorated the auditorium. The celebrations were coordinated under the guidance of the Teacher's Day Committee members: Ms. Catherina, Ms. Sweta, and Ms. Marina. The event was graced by our Principal, Ms. Tamara Hereford. The Masters of Ceremony, Jonathan Xavier (Grade 11) and Siddharth Ghosh (Grade 10), welcomed the teachers with roses and handmade bookmarks crafted by Ms. Chaitanya. A special prayer of blessings was offered for all the teachers

The programme featured electrifying dance performances by both the junior and senior school dance groups, choreographed by Mr. Ajay. A fun and engaging quiz round hosted by Akshita Sinha kept the energy high. This was followed by a retro dance by Grade 9 students and a vibrant fusion dance by the talented girls of Grade 10.

A heartfelt highlight of the day was the personalized gift distribution, where each teacher was invited on stage to receive a token of appreciation from Ms. Tamara, along with a thoughtful mention of a unique trait related to the subject they teach—making it a truly special moment. After the main event, students were dispersed while Grade 10 stayed back to host a few fun games for the teachers. The day ended with a delicious and heartwarming lunch, leaving all teachers feeling celebrated and cherished.



BEST TEACHER EVER!



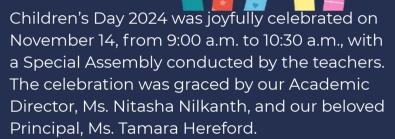






CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

14.11.2024



The event began with Ms. Tanya as the Master of Ceremonies, who warmly welcomed everyone and invited Ms. Saritha to lead the prayer, seeking God's blessings on our children. This was followed by a Bible verse reading by Ms. Priscilla, and a melodious prayer song sung by the teachers under the orchestration of Mr. Philip.

A delightful skit by the Primary School teachers entertained the audience, followed by a creative enactment on the significance of Children's Day, performed by teachers across the grades

"Children are like buds in a garden and should be carefully and lovingly nurtured, as they are the future of the nation and the citizens of tomorrow" - Jawaharlal Nehru



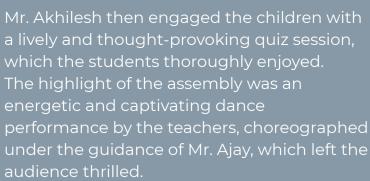












After the assembly, students returned to their classrooms for a fun-filled class party, enjoying snacks and music with their classmates. Later, a series of exciting games were conducted by class teachers. Junior school students played games in their classrooms, while high school students were allocated designated spaces for their activities. The top three winners in each class received interesting prizes, adding to the day's joy.

Children's Day 2024 was a wonderful celebration of childhood, innocence, and unrestrained fun—truly a day to remember!









SPELL BEE

19.11.2024

The Spell Bee competition for Grades 1 to 6 was successfully conducted on 19th November 2024, creating an engaging and enriching experience for all participants. The event aimed at enhancing the vocabulary and spelling skills of the students, making learning both fun and effective.

The competition was thoughtfully organised across different grade levels-Grades 1 and 2: Conducted by Ms. Jasmine, who made the session lively and interactive for the youngest participants. Grades 3 and 4 was guided by Ms. Deborah, who ensured that the students were both challenged and encouraged. Grades 5 and 6 was facilitated by Ms. Tanya, who skillfully conducted the competition, keeping the senior students engaged and motivated.

The event was conducted in a very interesting manner, sparking enthusiasm among the children and helping them to broaden their vocabulary. It provided an excellent platform for students to showcase their spelling skills and learn new words in an enjoyable environment. The enthusiastic participation and healthy competitive spirit displayed by the students made the event a grand success.











Christmas with,

Mr. Benny Prasad

06.12.2024

The Christmas Special Program at Kingston High School was filled with joy and festive spirit.

Distinguished quests Mr. Bonny Brasad and Mrs.

Distinguished guests Mr. Benny Prasad and Mrs. Zanbeni graced the occasion with their presence.

The event began with a heartfelt prayer led by Director Mr. Michael Thomas.

MCs Pratham Joel and Jonathan Francis warmly welcomed the audience and directed the program.

The Kingston Choir opened the celebrations with a beautiful Christmas song. Mr. Benny Prasad shared his powerful testimony, inspiring all present. He also performed a soulful solo that captivated the audience. Mrs. Zanbeni followed with her own solo, adding to the musical celebration.

Students showcased their talent through a lively and energetic dance performance. The program turned out to be a vibrant mix of music, inspiration, and festive cheer, the presence of the guests adding depth and meaning to the event.









Inter - House Music Competition

06.12.2024

The academic year 2024-2025 has been a musical landmark for Kingston High, as the school proudly hosted its very first Inter-House Music Competition.



On 19th December 2024, Kingston High held its first Inter-House Music Competition in the school auditorium. The four houses, Asher, Reuben, Simeon, and Benjamin, prepared for two weeks with rehearsals during zero periods, lunch breaks, and free periods. The contest had four categories: Western Solo, Western Group, Indian Group, and Carol Group, each with a five-minute limit. Lively performances made the half-day event truly memorable.







Renowned musicians Joshua and Daniel Selvaraj judged Kingston High's inaugural Inter-House Music Competition 2024–2025. Reuben House emerged as champions, followed by Asher, Simeon, and Benjamin Houses. The judges concluded with words of encouragement and a moving performance of "The Blessing," making the event a resounding success.









Christmas
Celebration and
Outreach Program

20.12.2024

The Christmas celebrations began with great enthusiasm in our school. From December 16th, the Student Council organized a series of competitions, including drawing, coloring, singing, and fancy-dress, to name a few. The school corridors and bulletin boards were decorated with festive fervor, and students creatively decorated their classrooms. In keeping with the true spirit of Christmas, the school organized an outreach program where groceries and essential commodities were distributed to those in need, including Jerome's Home for the Aged, Shalom Children's Home, and Ashraya School. These initiatives help instill a sense of empathy and kindness in the children. Our choir students also entertained the residents of these institutions with melodious carols.





















Christmas Celebrations at kINGSTON!

20.12.2024

On Friday, December 20th, students from all grades gathered in the auditorium to showcase their talents. Each class performed a Christmas carol, with Kindergarten students presenting a live Nativity scene. They warmly welcomed Santa Claus, adding to the fun and excitement. The festivities continued with class parties, ensuring the Christmas cheer was shared throughout the day.

The teachers of Kindergarten planned a skit of the Nativity of Jesus, performed by students of Nursery, LKG, and Upper KG. The little kindergartners beautifully enacted the story of the birth of Jesus, from Joseph and Mary's journey to Bethlehem to the visit of the three Kings. The performance began with the carol, "Mary's Boy Child" as Joseph and Mary walked to Bethlehem. A recorded narration of Jesus' birth followed, accompanied by the shepherds tending their flocks.















KINDERGARTEN ANNUAL DAY

24.01.2025

The Kindergarten Annual Day was held on the evening of 25th January, 2025, at the JNU Auditorium. The programme opened with a prayer by Director Mr. Michael Thomas. He welcomed the guests and expressed gratitude for their contribution to the school's growth. Chief Guest Ms. Andrea Caroline Pinto addressed the gathering with an inspiring message. Principal Ms. Tamara Hereford presented the school's Annual Report. The highlight of the evening was Good Night Princess – The Musical.

The play featured Red Riding Hood, Snow White, The Princess and the Pea, and Sleeping Beauty. The story revolved around helping the Princess fall asleep. Every student from Nursery to Grade 2 participated in the performance.

The acting, dancing, and singing were of a high standard and well appreciated. The audience was left spellbound by the exceptional talent on display. The programme ended with the introduction of the cast, crew, and participants.









































GRADUATION CEREMONY

01.02.2025

Kingston High School celebrated its fourth Graduation Day on 1st February 2025, honouring the students of the academic year 2024–25.

The evening commenced with an academic procession led by the dignitaries: Chief Guest Dr. Spurgeon from Baptist Hospital, Pastor Deepak from A G Bethel Church, Honourable Guest Ms. Mary Eltham, our former Principal, Managing Director Mr. Michael Thomas, Academic Director Ms. Nitasha Nilkanth, and Principal Ms. Tamara Hereford. They were warmly welcomed, followed by the graduates and Grade 10 teachers, all to the accompaniment of beautiful melodies performed by the school band.













The Graduation Day celebration at event. Chief Guest Dr. Spurgeon delivered an inspiring address filled with valuable advice. A touching PowerPoint featured the presentation of mementos to lighting ceremony added meaning and solemnity to the event. Valedictorian Daivik V. gave a heartfelt speech, reflecting Grade 9 responded with warmth and appreciation. Heartfelt wishes from wellwishers, Dr. Jerry and Dr. Ebenezer, were shared. Graduates and parents expressed gratitude and fond reflections on school life. Teachers offered warm wishes and inspiring words. The school choir, trained performance. Halie Rachel of Grade 9 delivered a graceful vote of thanks to conclude the ceremony. The bitter-sweet hosted by the management.

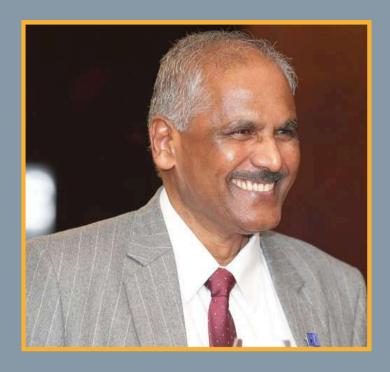








FROM THE BOARDROOM TO THE GRADUATION STAGE – A SALUTE TO YOU!



Respected chairman Mr. Michael Thomas, chief guest for this special occasion Dr. Spurgeon, members of the management, the principal, staff members, students and parents of this great institution, I greet each one of you on this graduation day.

On this momentous occasion, I take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude and admiration to the Chairman for his vision, dedication and unwavering commitment to excellence in education. In any school's time table, graduation day is a milestone day. This is the day to rejoice and reflect on what makes our Kingston High a truly unique center of learning.

Dear graduating students of 2025, today marks a significant milestone in your educational journey. As you stand on the threshold of this new chapter, I want to congratulate each of you on your achievement. Your hard work, perseverance and dedication are paying rich dividends. Kingston school is working hard to prepare future leaders, innovators, and Change makers of our nation.

Dear students, you have the power to shape the course of history, to solve complex challenges, and to create a brighter future for all. As students, you need to be curious, open minded, and be willing to take risks. It is necessary for you to be resilient and confident to face challenges.

In Kingston High School, we are firm in encouraging curiosity, nurturing creativity, developing critical thinking and character building.

Dear students, my sincere advice is don't be afraid to aim high, chase your passions and to pursue your dreams. Be aware of the double edged social media. I request you to establish limits on social media use to maintain a healthy balance. Make use of every opportunity that knocks at your door. As you move forward, I encourage you to hold on to the values and principles that have shaped your educational experience. I want to conclude my message with a quote from Nelson Mandela who said: "The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." Thank you and God bless you all.

Dr. Abraham Ebenezer

A FAREWELL MESSAGE OF INSPIRATION AND HOPE



Dear graduating class of 2025 at Kingston High, hearty congratulations for making it to this point in your life. You are among a privileged few in the world to study in a school such as Kingston High and experience a wonderful journey of learning, growing and maturing. In the next few months, you will launch out into a world brimming with unique opportunities and challenges. In order to succeed through each of them, you will need to rely on the fortitude, courage, integrity and resilience that you have gained here at Kingston High.



Listen to the words of this poem by Minnie Louis Haskins:

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year:

"Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown".

And he replied:

"Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God.

That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way".

So I went forth, and finding the Hand of God, trod gladly into the night.

And He led me towards the hills and the breaking of day in the lone East.

So, take hold, dear students, of the hand of God almighty. He is ever present and ready to help you take each exciting step. He wants you to excel and succeed. You must also desire to seek His will every step of the way. As you know Him deeper, He will empower you to accomplish great things for Him. Your teachers and the staff of Kingston High are worthy of double honor, as they worked hard to guide you in the right direction. Make sure to thank them and come back to visit them as often as you can. Please know that we are always there to guide and support you. We are among your greatest cheerleaders.

Dr. Jerry George Mathew



Honorable Principal, respected teachers, dear parents, and my incredible friends, today is not just a farewell but a celebration of everything we have achieved together. As we prepare to embark on new adventures, I stand here overwhelmed with gratitude for the moments we've shared, the lessons we've learned, and the memories that will stay with us forever.

Looking back, it's hard to believe how quickly time has passed. Ten years ago, I walked into this school as a child, unsure of what lay ahead. Ten years later, I will be walking out of this school still as a child at heart, still unsure of what lays ahead. But today, I leave with a heart full of memories, friendships that feel like family, and lessons that will guide me for a lifetime. There is a saying which goes like: "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us." And what lies within us has been shaped by the incredible people who have stood by our side throughout this journey. The next part of my speech is a collective thought from all us students:

To our teachers—you have been more than educators; you have been our mentors, guides, and sometimes even our second parents. You believed in us even when we doubted ourselves. You taught us not just how to solve equations or analyze literature, but how to think, how to question, and how to strive for excellence. Thank you for your patience, your encouragement, and for shaping us into who we are today. As William Arthur Ward once said, "The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires." And you, dear teachers, have truly inspired us.

To our parents—thank you for being our pillars of strength. From the late-night study sessions to the endless encouragement before exams, you have been our greatest supporters. You have taught us resilience, kindness, and the value of hard work. Your sacrifices, often unseen, have paved the way for our success.

To my friends and classmates—we have laughed together, struggled together, and grown together. These years have been filled with unforgettable moments—the inside jokes, the group projects, the victories, and even the failures that taught us important lessons. We have been each other's support system, and I know that even as we walk different paths, the bond we share will always remain. As Winnie the Pooh once said, "How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard."

As we step into the unknown, let us remember that success is not just measured by the grades we receive or the careers we choose. True success is about being kind, being resilient, and never stopping the pursuit of knowledge and self-growth. Albert Einstein once said, "Try not to become a person of success, but rather try to become a person of value." Let's strive to be people of value—to make a difference in whatever we choose to do.

So today, let's not just celebrate an ending, but a beautiful beginning. The world is waiting for us, and I have no doubt that we are ready.

Congratulations, Class of 2025! We did it!



BREAKFAST WITH THE PRINCIPAL AND MANAGEMENT

15.03.2025

At Kingston High School, we value the dedication and active involvement of our parent community, recognising their vital role in the holistic development of our students. To celebrate and strengthen this partnership, we hosted a special event on 15th March 2025 — "Breakfast with Management & Principal." The gathering offered parents an open platform to interact directly with the school leadership, share insights, and align on a shared vision for the future. The warm and welcoming atmosphere reflected our gratitude while fostering meaningful conversations. The Principal and Board of Management warmly welcomed attendees, appreciating the consistent support shown by parents. Discussions covered academic excellence. student well-being, infrastructure growth, and innovative teaching practices. Parents were invited to share feedback and aspirations. making the session truly collaborative. The exchange of ideas reinforced the common goal of nurturing responsible, confident, and wellrounded learners. The event ended on a positive and hopeful note, with both parents and the school committed to working together for continued excellence at Kingston High School.









KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION DAY

02.04.2025

April 2, 2025, was a memorable day as Kingston High School celebrated the graduation of its UKG students stepping into Grade 1. The event was graced by Directors, Ms. Nitasha Nilkanth and Mr. Michael Thomas Reddy, Principal Ms. Tamara Hereford, along with teachers, students, and proud parents. Proceedings began with a heartfelt prayer and Bible verse, setting a tone of gratitude and joy. Students delivered touching speeches, sharing fond Kindergarten memories and their excitement for Grade 1.

Parents and the class teacher reflected on the children's remarkable growth and achievements. A warm welcome speech officially ushered the little graduates into their new academic chapter. A photo display captured milestones from their early learning journey. Students performed an uplifting prayer song, a sweet thankyou song, and a vibrant dance. The Director and Principal commended the children's progress and encouraged them to embrace new opportunities. The event celebrated not only academic readiness but also the development of the students' confidence and character. It was a day filled with smiles, pride, and shared memories. Thanks to the collective efforts of management, staff, students, and parents, the celebration marked a beautiful end to one chapter and an exciting beginning to another.









INTER HOUSE SPORTS COMPETITION

28.10.2024 - 08.11.2024

The much-awaited Inter House Sports Competition at Kingston High was held from 28th October to 8th November 2024, bringing together talent, energy, and team spirit in a thrilling display of athleticism and sportsmanship.

The event kicked off with the Football Finals on 28th October. In the Senior Boys' category, it was a fierce battle between Benjamin and Simeon, with Simeon emerging victorious. The Junior Boys' final saw Asher put up a strong fight against Reuben, clinching the title with determination and skill.

The excitement continued into November with the Basketball Finals held on 6th November. In the Senior Boys' category, Benjamin secured a hard-fought win against Simeon. The Junior Mixed category showcased a nail-biting match between Asher and Benjamin, with Asher taking the win.

In the Girls' Finals, Asher once again showcased their dominance by defeating Simeon in an exciting match.
The competition concluded with the Cricket Finals on 8th November, where Asher faced off against Reuben. Using excellent teamwork and strategy, Asher took home the Champion's trophy of the tournament.

Throughout the competition, students exhibited exceptional sportsmanship and house spirit. Asher House stood out with consistent performances, winning across multiple categories and proving to be a formidable force.

Congratulations to all the participants and winners for making this year's Inter House Sports Competition a grand success!











30.10.2024

The much-anticipated school picnic for Grades 1 to 11 was held on October 30, 2024. at Jollywood — a vibrant amusement park known for its thrilling water rides and exciting games. Bus-loads of excited students, accompanied by teachers and support staff, set off from school early in the morning. Upon arrival, they eagerly dove into wave pools, splash zones, and other fun water attractions, all under careful supervision. After enjoying the water rides, they changed into dry clothes and explored the park's roller coasters, bumper cars, and more. The air was filled with laughter, adventure, and the joy of friendship. A delicious lunch was served, giving everyone the energy for more fun in the afternoon. Teachers and students bonded over shared experiences and cheerful moments. It was the perfect environment for students to bond outside the class environment. As the day drew to a close, they boarded the buses thoroughly exhausted, yet happy, carrying with them a treasure-trove of memories to hold on to forever!













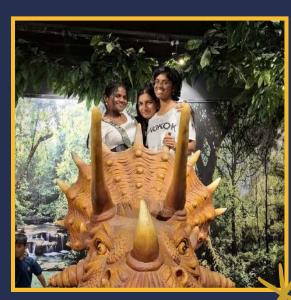












ACT SCRIPTURE UNION STUDENT RALLY

09.11.2024

The Association of Christian Teachers (ACT) conducted a Student Rally on the 9th of November, 2024, for students of Grades 5 to 9. Our students actively took part in the competition, which was held at Cathedral High School.

Participants competed in a variety of events, including sketching, painting, choreography, western singing, Bible quiz, dumb charades, and collage in both the junior and senior category.

Our school had the privilege of hosting the collage competition. In total, thirty-four of our students participated across all events, alongside students from over twenty schools. Kingston High proudly secured second place in the Senior Sketching category, represented by Ethan William Louis, and in the Senior Collage category, represented by Adon Gerard and Amit Pendurti.

The students enthusiastically engaged in all the activities and were thrilled to interact with participants from other schools. The event provided them with valuable exposure, helping them to recognize both their strengths and areas for improvement. It was truly a memorable and enriching experience for all the students.











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PICNIC

13.11.2024

On November 13, 2024, a special picnic was organized for Kindergarten children to the Play Arena at Orion Mall. The outing was planned carefully to ensure safety, fun, and enrichment for the little ones.

Children were welcomed with a cheerful environment, friendly staff, and engaging play equipment.

The slides were the main attraction, bringing immense joy and excitement. They also enjoyed ball pits, tunnels, soft play areas, and various age-appropriate activities. Teachers and caretakers remained attentive throughout, ensuring the children felt secure and happy. A snack break allowed children to relax, share food, and bond with their classmates. The atmosphere was filled with laughter, energy, and enthusiastic play. Children returned to school tired but joyful after a fulfilling and exciting day. The picnic promoted social interaction, physical coordination, and emotional well-being, making it a memorable success.





CULMINATION DAY AT KINGSTON!



Culmination Day is a special occasion that marks the completion of a learning journey. It's the day our students proudly showcase all that they have discovered, created, and achieved over the term or academic year. From projects and performances to displays and presentations, it's a celebration of hard work, creativity, and growth.

At Kingston High, Culmination Day gives our students a platform to shine beyond exams and grades. It allows them to express their understanding in their own unique ways through art, music, drama, experiments, or research. It also gives parents and the school process come to life.

Here's a glimpse of our students in action, bringing their learning to life and making Culmination Day a memorable celebration of talent and teamwork.























































































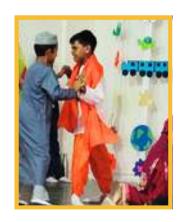












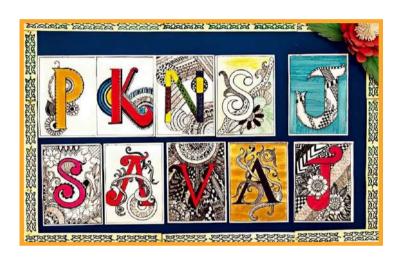






BOARD BUZZ

At Kingston, our class notice board is where information meets imagination. It's the place where we share announcements, homework reminders, and birthday wishes, keeping everyone updated and connected. Colourful artwork and creative displays brighten the board, reflecting the personality of our class. Motivational quotes inspire us, while fun facts and little surprises make us smile. Each update tells a part of our learning journey and celebrates our achievements. The board also encourages teamwork, as we work together to design and refresh it. Parents and visitors enjoy stopping by to see what's new. It's more than just a space for notices — it's a window into our classroom life. Every detail on the board shows that we learn, create, and grow together. In short, it's the heart of our class communication.

















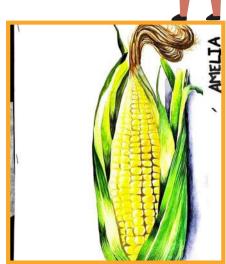


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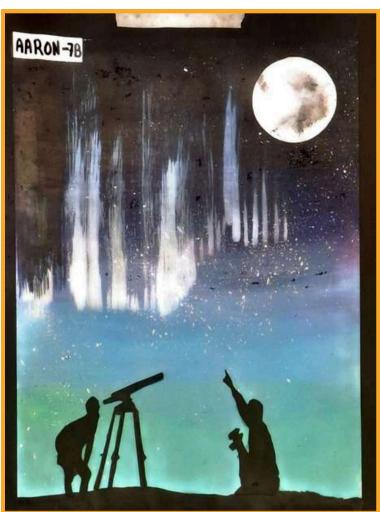






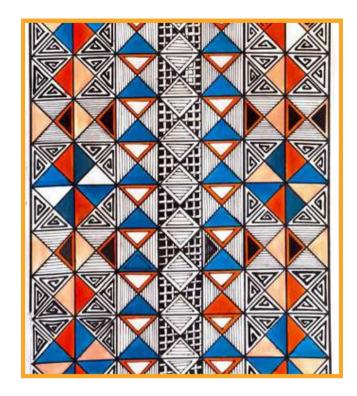


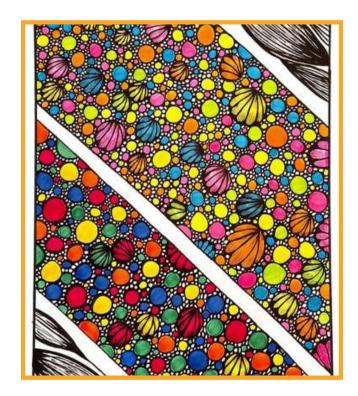








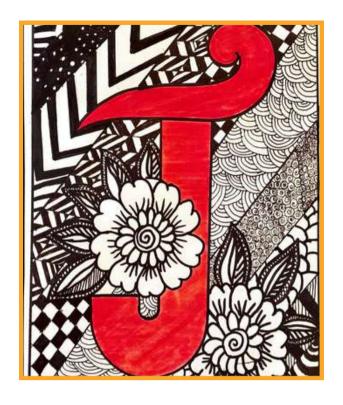






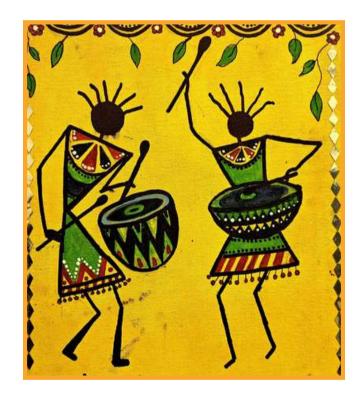
















Pen & Perspective



Articles Zone is where thoughts, ideas, and stories come alive. From opinion pieces and creative writing to inspiring life-lessons, this space captures the voices of our Kingston community. It's a platform for students to express, explore, and inspire. Every article here is a glimpse into minds that think, dream, and create.

A DESCRIPTIVE PASSAGE ON A CHARACTER I EITHER HATED OR LOVED THE MOST.

Of all the books that I have read, one particular character that I commonly despise is Lord William Hamleigh from the book Pillars of the Earth. He plays a vital role as the antagonist throughout the book. The reason why I dislike this character is because he has such vile and vicious thoughts that he puts into action, causing destruction everywhere. In the beginning of the book, he is described as a young and handsome man, with commendable height, sharp facial features, blonde hair and blue eyes. With the combination of his looks and being the son of Lord Hamliegh, he makes almost every girl swoon. But his marriage proposal is publicly turned down by the female protagonist. The shame and embarrassment he goes through sparks a feeling of rage almost inhuman. Since the setting of the story takes place in the 14th - 15th century, a time when the Church and the monarchy held the ultimate power, when William gets the title of Lord, he seizes all power and wreaks havoc. He burns down patches of land belonging to peasants, publicly murders countless civilians, rapes many women including members of royalty and commits arsony on an entire town.

One of the most infuriating factors about him is that he continues to commit such abominable acts throughout the book, spanning for about thirty to forty years. He continues to torture the same group of people till the moment he dies. Towards the end of the book, he is seen to have lost all his wealth, and his dreams of murdering the protagonist are shattered. He is old and haggered. His health is failing him, and eventually, he dies a lonely and sorrowful death.

Despite the pitiful scenes of the end of his life, and I cannot bring myself to feel even an inkling of pity or sympathy for this character, as the horrific acts of treachery and the ruthless massacres he carried out are far too great and numerous for any kind of defence for him.

I am sure that based on this description as William Hamleigh, one would agree with me when having also read the book, why I show my hatred and decided distaste towards the character.

-Annabelle Grade 9





AGATHA CHRISTIE'S POIROT

One of my hobbies is reading books particularly the books of Agatha Christie. The plots of her books are often very complex and reading them always proves to be entertaining.

Two of her most popular characters are Hercule Poirot and Agatha Christie's Miss Marple, however Hercule Poirot is my favourite character.

Hercule Poirot is a Belgian private detective who was a former policeman. His unique habits and behaviour is what makes him distinct from any other detectives.

He is short, stout and has a very brown moustache which he is very proud of. He has the habit of always arranging things in an orderly manner. He stays in White Haven Mansions, a large apartment in London.

In most of the Hercule Poirot books he is described as a self-absorbed and egoistic person while also having a very gentle nature. In one of Agatha Christie's books, Poirot talks with the suspect of the crime and although they are complete strangers to him, they begin to speak to him as if he is a part of their family. This clearly shows his extraordinary ability to make people comfortable to speak to him.

Also he has the very rare ability to observe inconspicuous things that often help him solve his cases. He also tries to look at the motives of the criminals to try and solve the case effectively.

Unlike other detectives, he prefers to think in one place rather than constantly try to look for clues. Due to his many successes, the police from Scotland Yard eventually take him into their confidence and they trust him as if he is a member of Scotland Yard.

Poirot is widely regarded as the best detective in fiction thanks to Agatha Christie's exceptional ability to create interesting plots which showcase Poirot's brilliant minds.

-Ethan William Lewis Grade 9





GILBERT: A HEART THAT ENDURES

I once watched a show called "Anne with an 'e' on Netflix, an adaptation of the book series titled "Anne of Green Gables". In the show was a character named Gilbert, whom I liked immensely.

Gilbert was a smart, studious and hardworking character. He had a lean and handsome physique and was predominantly looking after his father till he passed away. After his father's passing, we see Gilbert grow into an adventurous character. Though still not rich, he gets a job aboard a steamship and makes friends with a character named Bash. Some of Gilbert's most important traits are his kindness and willingness to help others. He's a very mature character who displays a more childish love for Anne in the beginning and over time this childish love becomes something much deeper and profound.

Though the series ends early, the books dive deeper into the story and we see Gilbert grow as an individual - who cares about his friends and the people around him, who loves his wife even in the midst of hardships and who goes on to provide for his beautiful family.

Some of the most captivating things about Gilbert include his perseverance throughout the show, his integrity and his faithfulness. He's a kindhearted person, one who knows how to tell people when he's upset yet able to forgive those who wrong him. His curly black hair that is in contrast with his fair white skin drew out his beauty. Gilbert's facial expressions, subtle as they may be, bring a greater depth into the series. Though not always perfect, his evolving emotions are something we as humans can connect to. The depths of major events of the series, his longing for something new, his sadness and his love are all things we as people can connect to. Though I've watched many pieces of excellent cinematography, nothing has won over my heart like "Anne with an 'e'", and I daresay that the love of Gilbert played a major role in it!



-Halie Rachel Grade 9



FREE (OR INEXPENSIVE) HEALTH-CARE IS THE BEST HEALTH CARE

I would like to start off this essay by stating that free or inexpensive health-care is certainly not the best health care. I am against this topic since I believe healthcare must be charged for various reasons.

Firstly, healthcare is one of the most important amenities of the world today. With multiple diseases, viruses and different variants of viruses arising, free healthcare would not provide sufficient funding to find a cure for these diseases.

Secondly, to become a doctor, the amount of money that is paid as fees just to be educated is high. Parents and students struggle to pay high fees every year. If health-care was inexpensive, the salaries of these people would be greatly affected and they would not get the fruits for their hard work.

Moreover, the price of the medical appliances and items are increasing as the days pass. Ventilators, oxygen tanks and many more require a lavish sum of money to be purchased by a hospital. With free healthcare, the hospitals barely make any profit, which leads to lack of supply.

Finally, the tedious and meticulous process of performing a surgery as a doctor is certainly not easy, and if the doctors aren't paid according to their qualification, it leads to lack of motivation and the mentality to work harder.

I would like to conclude my essay by stating that although healthcare must not be so expensive that people cannot afford it, healthcare must definitely be charged due to the amount of hard work everyone puts in at the hospital. This would also lead to the growth of the economy.

> -A S Deesha Grade 9

A BOOK REVIEW ON TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD

To Kill a Mockingbird is a thriller novel authored by Harper Lee in 1960. The book consists of about 300 pages. It won a Pulitzer Prize in 1961 and now has become a classic in modern American literature. This novel is narrated by the protagonist - an unconventional girl named Jean Louise or "Scout". She lives with her brother Jeremy "Jem" Finch, her father Atticus Finch and their helper, Calpurnia, in the fictional town of Maycomb, Alabama. Atticus Finch is a prominent lawyer in his town, greatly respected by all. One day, Tom Robinson – a black man - is accused of raping a white woman named Mayella Ewell. Finch decides to defend Tom in court, angling the blame towards Ewell's father, Bob Ewell, a drunkard. Another storyline involves Scout, Jem and their friend Charles Baker "Dill" Harris who are curious about their reclusive neighbour "Boo" Radley.

This novel is a Southern gothic thriller that highlights themes like racial injustice, social inequality, prejudice and the coexistence of good and evil in a rural setting. It also explores Scout's personal growth and her loss of innocence, making it a bildungsroman. Scout begins to understand that not everything is fair in the world. I loved how Lee created her characters, each serving their own purpose in the advancement of the storyline. One of my favourite characters was Atticus. He is a hero in this novel, not because of his physical strength but because of the morals and values he teaches his children, serving as a moral compass in the story. His character is a breath of fresh air in the story amongst the evident racism portrayed by others.

Lee starts the story with a seemingly simple narrative but ties it beautifully to the novel's central message – the importance of moral integrity. Another message is the significance of empathy, a virtue that Atticus insists on teaching his children. The title, "To Kill a Mockingbird", is befitting. Atticus tells his children that it is a sin to kill a mockingbird. Miss Maudie further explains that mockingbirds cause no harm but sing, and it would be "senseless cruelty" to kill them. This reflects the message that innocent people should not be harmed or taken advantage of.

I thoroughly enjoyed this book and would highly recommend it to anyone interested in the history of civil rights. As there are mentions of rape, profanity and violence, this book is more suited for a mature audience, so that it is truly appreciated for its literary qualities. A masterpiece by Harper Lee!

-Amelia Thomas Grade 11

LEARNING DISABILITIES

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." - Matthew 19:14



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WHAT IT IS: DIFFICULTY IN READING, SPELLING, AND RECOGNIZING WORDS.

REACTION: PARENTS AND TEACHERS MUST AVOID CRITICISM AND SHOW

PATIENCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT.

SOLUTION: USE PHONICS-BASED READING, AUDIOBOOKS, AND GIVE EXTRA Time for assignments. Celebrate Small Victories.

DYSCALCULIA

WHAT IT IS: STRUGGLES WITH NUMBERS, ARITHMETIC, AND MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS.

REACTION: AVOID COMPARISONS WITH OTHER STUDENTS. REASSURE
CHILDREN THAT INTELLIGENCE IS NOT DEFINED BY MATH SKILLS.
SOLUTION: USE VISUAL AIDS, STEP-BY-STEP TEACHING, AND HANDSON ACTIVITIES LIKE COUNTING REAL OBJECTS.

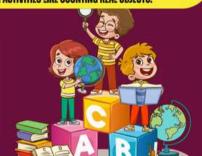


DYSGRAPHIA

WHAT IT IS: PROBLEMS WITH HANDWRITING, SPELLING, AND Organizing Thoughts on Paper.

REACTION: NEVER SCOLD FOR MESSY HANDWRITING OR SPELLING ERRORS, SHOW UNDERSTANDING.

SOLUTION: ALLOW TYPING, ORAL RESPONSES, DRAWING, AND BREAK WRITING TASKS INTO SMALLER STEPS.



CONCLUSION

Every child is a gift, created with unique abilities. Some children face challenges in learning that are often mistaken for laziness or lack of intelligence. These are called learning disabilities, and they simply mean the child learns in a different way. With the right support, every child can

-Jonita Samparna Grade 12

DIVINE DRYADS

From reddish-brown to velvet green,
You can see her leaves flow;
The ever so gentle whispers of the breeze,
The quiet heart filled with joy.
You will never see her falter,
Nor will she ever turn away;
Her spirit that was once created,
Is now here to stay.

The wind blew,
My sorrows grew,
Yet she was there by my side.
With gentle movements of her leaves,
She assured me He knew.

The trees are so full of wisdom, yet so loving and kind.

When I see them I am consumed by love,
Their beauty knows no bounds.

Oh! The beauty of a gentle spirit who can fathom?
Her loving eyes and gentle smile,
See right through one's soul.

When you look at her,
There's not a thing not to love;
She resembles her Creator,
The highest in heaven
And the loveliest of them all.

Our love that once began,
Now has no end.
Our abounding joy,
The incomprehensible companionship;
Our lips now sing with joy:
"We'll meet each other again,
Even on the other side."

In this world one thing remains sure and certain; It is that she loves me, And that I love her, Both now and forevermore.

-Halie Rachel Grade 9

THE EARTH

I am the Earth
I offer you endless gifts.
From rich soil to towering trees,
Each crowned with lush green leaves.

I give you space to live.

Yet, in return, you contribute to pollution and unhealthy air.

This harm not only affects me but also your own future.

You must act now to protect what remains.

People often act without thinking of the harm they cause.

But what I offer you is far greater.

Take a moment to think about what you do.

Because every action leaves a mark on the world.

But you have another chance.

Please take this message and share it with others.

So that you can make a difference,

And together, we can restore the Earth!



-Akhil R Grade 6B

THE WORLD RIGHT NOW

"Maybe in another universe
The stars align just right.
Birds, now grounded, free to fly,
Soaring through the sky, their heads held high

Maybe in another universe Animals won't run in fear They would be able to live free Not a care in the world.

Maybe in another universe The air we breathe is clean, The water would be crystal clear The soil holds foliage so pure

Maybe in another universe, Fish could swim in seas unrestrained. For we need another universe so dire Since ours we take no effort to rewire"



-Prathyusha Grade 8B

LOSS OF WORDS

I wrote a book with an empty pen, Inkless cartridge, heavy with words Each letter it writes, the pen makes it's way Paving a path, a happy facade

I wrote a book with an empty pen, Each chapter, a realm with world's unseen. Stories woven softly, in whispers and sighs Yet, all the fantasies hidden in silent cries

I wrote a book with an empty pen The pages filled with invisible words All written in the language of thoughts All the thoughts one dared to think.

I wrote a book with an empty pen And filled the room with pleasant silence. No need for ink to mark the tales For the pen that writes within never leaves

-Prathyusha Grade 8



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