## **VISIT TO THE NATIONAL PHILATELIC MUSEUM**

Students of Class 4 visited the National Philatelic Museum, Dak Bhawan, on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of November 2018. The visit aimed at creating awareness about Philately and understanding the importance of stamps as a means of preserving the history and culture of the country.

Prior to the visit, a class discussion on communication and its development from ancient times to modern day was carried out in the class. Students were shown stamps and were asked to observe and explain what they could see on a stamp...serrated border, denomination, name of the country, year of printing and a picture. Prosanjeet Sir was asked to give guidelines to the students on how they could

create their own stamps as a part of the follow –up activity after the visit.

On the visit, students were given a guided tour of the museum. They were told that historically a postage stamp began as a piece of paper, a receipt denoting a specific value, which was a token of prepayment for postal service equivalent to its face value. Over a period of time, however, the postage stamp has evolved into an article with diverse functions ranging from its original role, to functioning

as a tool for celebration and promotion of a nation's heritage and as a collectible item. Students also participated in a competition where they had to create their own stamp on the theme "Ahimsa Parmo

Dharma".







The highlight of the visit was 'My Stamp' where one could have their own customized picture attached to a personalized sheet of stamps. A set of two Commemorative Postage Stamps of Sara Mathew Ma'am and Wg. Cdr. Mathew Sir was designed to mark the celebrations of the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Wg. Cdr. Mathew Sir.

The visit was indeed an enriching experience for one and all.

Regards

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