# OCTOBER 2018 REPORT













"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower."

October has arrived and with that comes the fall season. There are so many fun things about October and so much to think about. If you love October, celebrate the cooler temperatures. This month began with students happily enjoying the festivals, trips and activities. It was a month of fun and excitement.

## The Unforgotten Heroes

Men are not born great, their thoughts make them great. Mahatma Gandhi, fondly called as 'Bapu' was a simple man with thoughts to bring a considerable change in the lives of his countrymen because he did not live in isolation. He followed what he preached and lived a life of idealism. To celebrate the Father of our Nation's natal day, class 4 put up an assembly prior to his birthday by giving importance to his philosophy of life. Lal Bahadur Shastri, who shared his birthday with Gandhi, was also given a mention.



The children singing "Sabarmati ke sang..."



The Quiz conducted after the skit



The Skit- Gandhi's 3 Monkeys



"See no evil"



Here I come.....The 4<sup>th</sup> Monkey, 'Messenger'. Bura mat like karo, buramat share karo, bura mat type karo





The spectators

## Bengali Assembly

As part of the language assembly, Bengali assembly was performed by class 4 with great enthusiasm. The students who had selected Bengali as their third language celebrated the famous festival of West Bengal, 'Durga Puja' with song and dance. All dressed up in Bengali attire performed the assembly with eagerness and fervour.



The Comparers



Children rendering a Bengali song



Dancing queens





Mistibitarana

## Prize Distribution

They came, they recited and they won. It was a tough decision for the judge to decide whom to give the first position. All the sections of class 2, 3 and 4 recited the poems, be it the Hindi or English one. It was a close competition.





And.... Here are the winners



# Gandhi in me

"A man is but the product of his thoughts. What he thinks, he becomes." GANDHI

The teachers of class 2 made the children do an activity called 'Gandhi in me' to make the Gandhi Jayanti celebrations fun and meaningful.







I am Gandhi

## **English Recitation (Class 4)**

#### Poetry is a painting that speaks

As Robert Frost said once-"Poetry is when an emotion has found its thought and the thought has found words."

The day, class 4 had been waiting for- English recitation competition. The children were very enthusiastic and eager to show off their recitation skills. It was a neck to neck competition. Not to forget, one of the sections even recited the poem written by Vikram Seth.



The Ant and the Cricket



The Lion and the Mouse



The Bear Moon



The Snake and the Mouse

# Hindi Recitation (Class 3&4)











The Judge



## Trip to Bharatptur

A two day trip was organized for class 3 to Bharatpur bird sanctuary in the month of October. It was a fun filled trip away from home and school. This was their first overnight trip without their parents. They learnt to look after themselves and their belongings away from the supervision of their parents. They learnt to adjust themselves in the company of their friends.



Ready.... Set.... here we gooooo......



At the hotel where we stayed



At Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary





# Room partners





Starting the day with morning exercise







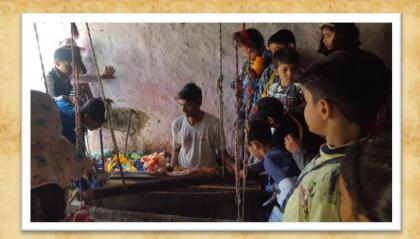
Happiness is having friends who love to eat







The potter and the clay







## Outing to Sariska

Not all classrooms have four walls. Outstation trips are more than just a way to learn outside the classroom. The thrill of going to Sariska inmid-October could not be put into words; the excitement and joy of driving through Sariska forest hoping to catch a glimpse of a tigermade it all the more a delighted trip. The keen eyes of the students however did manage to sight peacocks, monkeys, spotted deer, antelopes, parrots, have to mention a few.



The excitement starts...





Getting ready to meet Sher Khan









Let's get started....





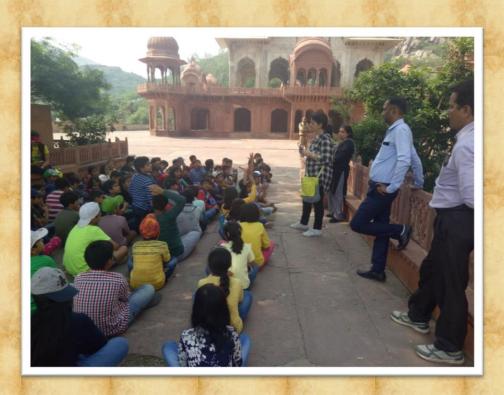
Breakfast at Jannat



Zumba Rumba



Nature walk with Mamta



A talk given on 'Save the monuments'



Birthday celebration at Sariska





My roommates





Best friends forever



### It's Club Time

The time when kids wait to attend their favourite club.

The children attend their clubs with great enthusiasm and thrill. The students participate actively in all the events. As the clubs are an ongoing activity, the children increase the awareness and skills of English language when it comes to debate club. This club helps in increasing the interest of students in the English language. It also introduces them to new ideas and concepts. So is the science club where they explore and experiment in different ways and methods.



Getting trained for 'turncoat' debate



# Scientists in the making







## Victory of Good over Evil

A time for celebration. A time for victory of good over bad. A time when the world sees the power of good. A special assembly was conducted, by class 1 in which students showed the significance of the festival-Dussehra.



The Prayer



Meditation Time



'A short skit depicting winning good over evil'





The follow up



The Class 1 choir



Dr Annie Koshima'am addressing the junior kids on the importance of Dussehra

#### Time to interact

Time itself is a circle. Circle Time provides opportunities for children to learn how to listen, interact, speak, watch and participate. They do this by having regular Circle Time sessions and by carrying out enjoyable Circle Time activities. With the development of these skills comes further opportunities to work on positive behaviour and increasing self-esteem and understanding.





Sharing the experience of Dussehra celebration followed by discussion on 'Amritsar train tragedy'

## Dandiya Night: Aao Naachen

The venue is decked up, the music is on, and the dancers are ready. The evening was set for dandiya night. Even though this is a famous dance of Gujarat we at SMS also inculcate other culture and customs for the students to be aware of it. The students, teachers and even parents, took part in this event with lot of ardour and zest.





Dancing in style









The Junior Section teachers posing with Dr Annie Koshi ma'am

## Let's go out and explore

Field trips are fun! You get to put down the books and pencils and drive to a new location with interesting things to see and experience. But of course field trips expand children's learning through active hands-on experience with the rich resources of the local community. Field trips increase student knowledge and understanding of a subject and add realism to the topic of study.

## Visit to the deer park (Class 1)



Excited to see the deer





Look there! I can see...



# Visit to Mother Dairy (Class 2)





The processing of milk



'I scream, you scream, we all scream ice cream'



## Fun with water (Class 1)

Children are always full of questions, always eager to explore the world around them. You don't need much time or equipment to nurture your child's curiosity. Children are natural scientists. Experiments are always fun. Water is one good example. It's clean and readily available. Children love water play, and turning play time into active learning is easy. This month, class 1 did 'water lesson' and discovered some wonderful things about water.



My experiments with water





# English Recitation (Class 1)

# Reciting as if they are in a league of their own











Ms Nita judging the competition

## Diwali- Festival of Lights preparations

Diwali is around the corner. It is a joyful celebration and many of its symbols - candles and lights, rangoli and flowers are put up this time of the year. The children of class 1 and 2 got together and prepared diyas and paper cup candles to represent Diwali as the 'Festival of Lights'.

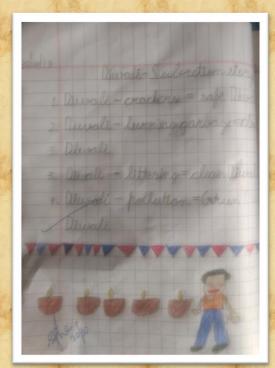


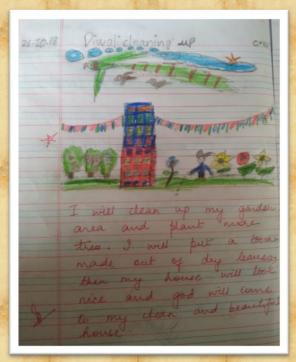
Preparing the diyas



Painting the 'paper cup diyas'







The write up on Diwali

"Sweet October, fill with praise, Rich and glowing as thy days, every poet's heartfelt lays."

Caroline May

October comes to an end. Waiting for a new beginning....

November. The last month of autumn but the beginning of a new adventure and new season. Time to take risks and do the unexpected.

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