



HORIZON



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From the Principal's Desk

May is a month of vacation and summer break for schools and educational institutions. But 2021 still shows the gloomy and dull side of Covid 19 pandemic that hovers around our city and country. Even during these dull days let's look at the brighter side of life- the season of Alphonso mangoes, basking in the sun and taking time for yourself. Let's take this break to rejuvenate, redefine, refine ourselves to a newer You, shaping our all-around personality and honing skills for a better tomorrow.



Dr. Reni Francis
(Principal)

Pandemic has taught us all to be patient and to remain safe. This lesson will take us a long way in seeing life with a different perspective. Don't lose hope, don't weaken your heart, don't lower your spirit. Be bright as the sun, be strong as the wind and be gentle as the light this will surely lead us all to a better tomorrow.

God bless you all. Stay safe and healthy. Take care of yourself and your dear ones.

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Editorial



The Google Books Ngram Viewer, which display how often words and phrases are used in books over time shows that the word 'Internationalism' was used most frequently in the books during the year 1919 i.e. post World War I. Thus, Cambridge Dictionary very rightly defines internationalism as 'the belief that countries can achieve more advantages by working together and trying to understand each other than by arguing and fighting wars with each other'.

Mr. Rajendra Deshmukh

Over the years, internationalism has been accepted in the form of a policy, attitude, principle, movement, feeling, interest and outlook. Very often, it is added prefixes/adjectives like hegemonic, revolutionary, cultural, socialist, liberal and neoliberal.

Indian philosophy of 'Vasudhaiv Kutumbkam' that means 'the entire world is my family' clearly makes evident the relation among humanity and in turn human beings of all nations. Internationalism thus implies a feeling of unity nourished by all the people of the world to promote peaceful co-operation and co- existence.

Distances mean nothing in these times of high-speed. The modern era of science and technology has made it possible, greater than before unification of the world. All of us are parts of a single unified society and our needs are interdependent. Due to the challenges like hunger, pollution, violence and pandemics, the need for inter-dependence is now more urgent than ever before.

Many world organizations like WHO, UNESCO, BRICS, SAARC, Commonwealth group etc. are taking initiatives for translating the feeling of international cooperation into action.

The driving force and the youth of the world, when they start to think about the progress of the entire human race in all possible directions, can only be a true step towards internationalism

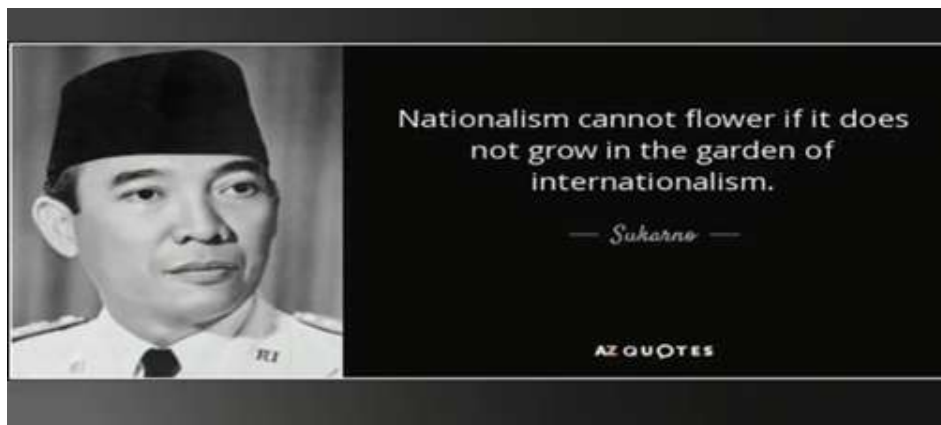
'Our children will no longer compete with children from other states but with children from all over the world. Hence, the technologies they work on should be as contemporary and cutting edge, the learning environment as inspiring and revealing, and their horizons just as vast.'-EduNation

Transformation of local education into global education will encourage the youth to get out of their own world, experience and explore the world and change their misconceptions of other cultures. This will also maintain and create international and inter-regional partnerships and bring cultures together.

PCER strives to equip students to perform efficiently in diverse educational settings nationally and internationally and deliver for the good of humanity. The theme for the assembly for the month of May was 'Internationalism'. International Nurses Day, World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day, World Thalassemia Day, Mother's day, World Athletics Day, World Asthma Day, International Firefighters Day, World laughter day, World Press Freedom Day, Maharashtra Day and International Labour Day were celebrated keeping peace, co-operation and internationalism as the focus by the F. Y. B. Ed. students while preparing for the Semester-I University examinations.

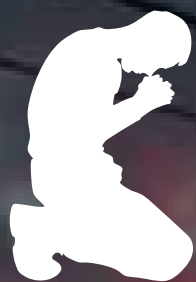
Assembly Snippets

The assembly for the month of May focussed on the theme - 'Internationalism. The first year students from the Batch of 2020-22, took their assembly forward in the online mode. Every day, students from the batch shared their prayers, values for the day and expressed their thoughts about the theme, recorded it and uploaded the video onto the class Whatsapp group.



Keeping in with the theme of Internationalism, through every assembly students conveyed that Internationalism is a feeling of brotherhood nourished by all the people of the world. All of us are part of a single unified society and our needs are interdependent. Internationalism is vital for progress and growth, globally.





Here are some snippets from the month:



Group Assembly

World laughter day - 2nd may 2021



Prinseela nadar - 58



Priti pandit - 59



Priya moopanan - 60



Priya pothnurru - 61

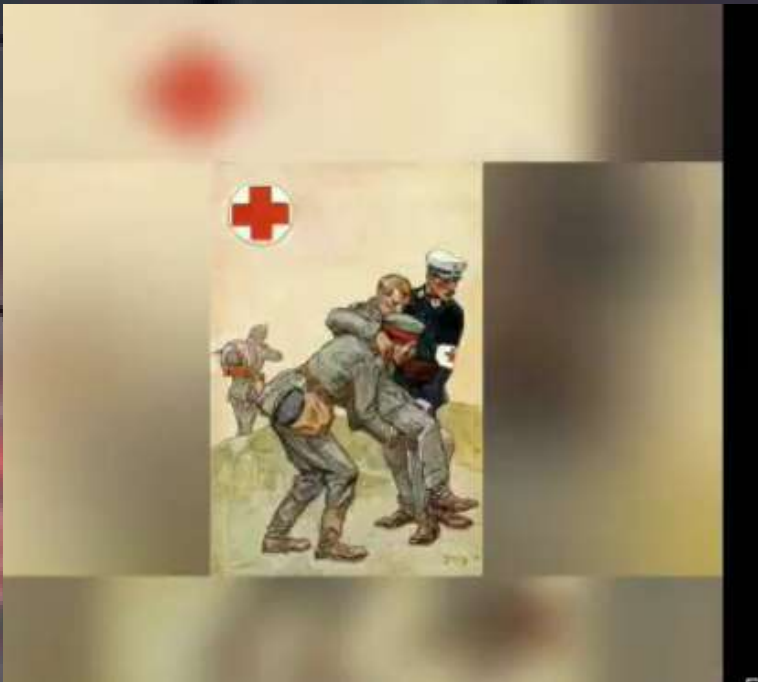


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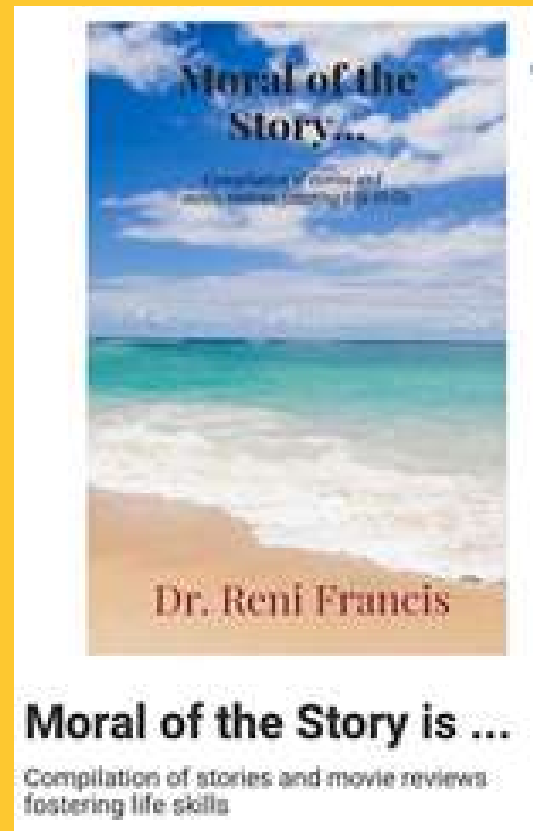
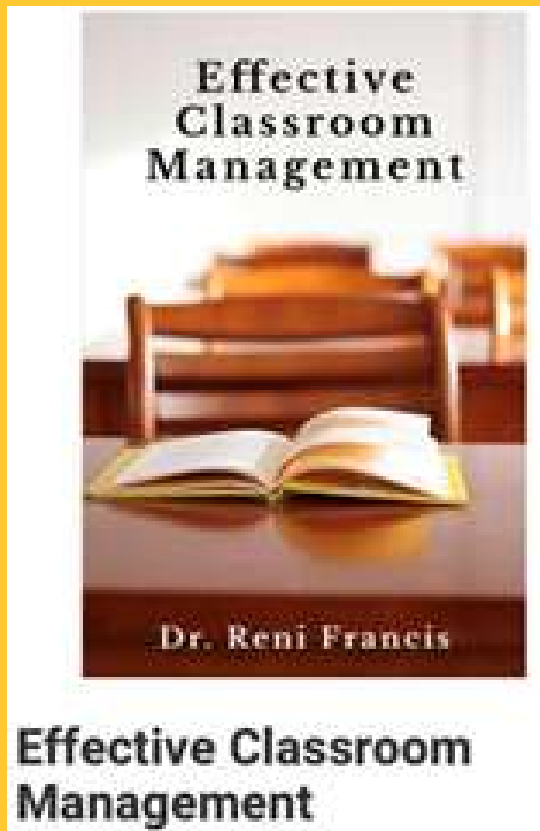
World Athletics Day





Faculty Achievements

- Principal (Dr.) Reni Francis published two books in the month of May:



- The first book is titled 'Effective Classroom Management' published by Notion Press.
 - The second book is titled 'Moral of the Story is....' It is a compilation of stories and movie reviews fostering life skills, published by Notion Press.
- Both the books are available on Amazon India.

- Dr. Mary Varghese completed her refresher course on- 'Learner Oriented Teaching Methods' from 19th May 2021 to 25th May 2021. The refresher course was organized by AICTE-ISTE in collaboration with IPS College of Technology and Management, Gwalior.

Book Launch by Neovision

Principal (Dr.) Reni Francis, member of the International Women's Federation of Commerce & Industry's (IWFCI)) Indian chapter contributed an article for IWFCI India Chapter's first publication - a book titled 'NeoVision - Covid 19 and the New Normal'.

This book comprises many articles and papers submitted by women entrepreneurs who expressed their views about how the world can refocus itself keeping the present crisis in mind.

Dr. Reni's article 'Battling the uncertainty wave during COVID -19 Pandemic' depicts how we need to unlearn, learn and relearn new ways of education and curriculum transaction.

The book launch by IWFCI - India can be viewed at the link below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YPNfRl5rVok>

SIBC – PCER

Donate a Meal Drive

MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur
in collaboration with
Soroptimist Welfare Association (SIBC)

Dates to remember
STARTS ON
1ST MAY 2021 TO
7TH MAY 2021

Donate a Meal
Covid pandemic is still affecting the underprivileged.
Your contribution can help in feeding the needy.
Food will be provided to Orphanage and Shelter Homes on Mother's Day
9th May, 2021

Join to Contribute
Donate for a social cause of minimum
Rs 50/- or more.

Register at <https://forms.gle/RpvJZvPf6Xy1eRr4A>

As the COVID-19 crisis continues to loom over us, the underprivileged need support and care. Soroptimist Welfare Association (SIBC) in association with MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur organised a 'Donate a Meal Drive' with an aim to provide food to Orphanage and Shelter Homes. The drive raised a total of 1,05,024/-.

Soroptimist Welfare Association (SIBC)
in collaboration with
MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur

HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION

Donate a Meal Project

Overwhelming response for a social cause
Amount collected is Rs 1,05,024/-

If you missed the opportunity, your valued contribution can be done
till 10th May, 2021.

Soroptimist Welfare Association (SIBC) and MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur would like to thank all the community members, donors, volunteers and staff for the generous donations.

University Semester 1 Exams

The F. Y. B. Ed. students gave their first set of exams as part of the B. Ed. programme in the month of May 2021. PCER successfully conducted the University exams as per the decisions of the cluster colleges and the regulations of the University of Mumbai on the 27th, 28th & 29th of May 2021 through the online mode. The students were provided an orientation through google meet with respect to preparations, instructions to be followed and their queries with respect to the exams were answered. The proctored examinations were conducted through google meet and consisted of MCQ of 30 marks and Descriptive Questions of 30 marks.



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Alumni Corner

This month's Alumni article is written by Ms. Shivani Koppikar, an alumna from the Batch of 2018-20 who is at present an Early Years Tutor with Garodia International Centre for Learning, Mumbai



Essential skills and qualities to be imbibed by a teacher

B.Ed. is a comprehensive course which is the first step towards our destination of becoming a teacher. Following are the few skills to be learnt and developed gradually while doing B.Ed.: -

Along with the basic modern technological skills a teacher should possess in order to communicate and teach effectively, one can go a step further and upgrade oneself in learning to make videos, using educational apps and smart boards, creating platforms/blogs.

Lesson planning is part and parcel of the B. Ed. curriculum but planning lessons depending on the student's skills and abilities is equally important as many schools focus on individual needs and well-being. Exploring different teaching methods will enhance one's knowledge and prepare him/her to face children in a classroom with different learning styles.

Possessing strong communication skills is absolutely necessary for a teacher as he/she has to deal with the parents and build rapport amongst the students but he/she should also learn to work in groups and collaborate with other teachers as the cooperation and integration between teachers will influence the students.

Bringing one's creative and innovative side to teaching is very much needed in today's times as there a challenge for teachers to keep the children engrossed and engaged throughout the lessons as children are already exposed to a lot of things and it may happen that someone in your class may know more than you regarding a particular subject/concept.



Also a teacher needs to give children hands-on learning experiences and for that he/she needs to be ready to explore, grow and flourish. 'Practice what you preach' and unless a teacher imbibes qualities such as sincerity, perseverance, adaptability, patience, being a lifelong learner, he/she won't be able to pass it on to the students.

I truly believe in being 'Teacher by profession, student for life.' And the journey continues as we keep learning from our seniors, colleagues and students every day.

Students' Corner

In this month we showcase the talents of our students from the
Batch of 2020-22

**Ms. Chrysl D'souza brings us a poem
written for the occasion of Mother's Day**



A WILD HEART

A Wild Heart
Is a heart like thine.
Strong and tough
Help she declines.
Cuts and bruises
Doth not scare,
She stares and stares
In the eyes of a dare,
Overpowering, weakening it.

A Wild Heart she is
But love blossoms like flowers,
She hides it in the shadows
Of darkness.
When the sun shines
It is revealed,
That the wild heart
Is a heart indeed.



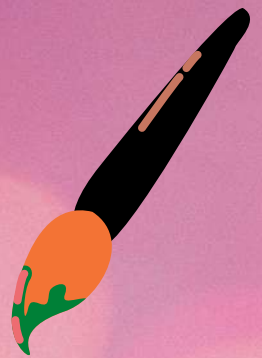
Craft Work

We also showcase quilling work by
Ms. Mangal Chikane



Drawings

Ms. Devshree Sharma
presents her scenic paintings



Here is a drawing
by Ms. Lincy Periera

