



**Mahatma Education Society's
Pillai College of Education and Research**

Chembur
NAAC 'A' Grade

'Sustainable Goals...Sustainable Future'



HORIZON



DR. RENI FRANCIS



"If you can't explain it simply, you don't understand it well enough." ~Albert Einstein

At PCER, Chembur we aim to follow this principle of better understanding leading to improved learning. The student teachers at PCER, Chembur are continuously interacting with students during their Internship and Community service, as they teach the concepts, they ensure that their students have understood well. Hence to get that as a habit, we at PCER, Chembur make it a regular practice to enhance the learning experience through innovative teaching-learning practices. The quote holds true for each of us in life, the lessons that we learn in life make us wise and prudent to take the necessary steps and also to guide others. If we are half baked in knowledge of reality and take the learning on the surface of it, we have missed the biggest asset of life that is the 'experience'. Hence it is important to understand every learning in depth. Today time has become a major factor in life, everything is time bound and for us to explore the deeper reality becomes tedious and time consuming and hence exploring the new shortcuts in life. This needs to be avoided and we can look forward to deepening our understanding and taking efforts in strengthening the treasure of knowledge to share it to the wider community, as the premise of sharing is caring.

PCER, Chembur in its journey towards excellence has achieved various milestones and set an example to others in the learning pyramid. We are always proud of our student achievements and aim in harnessing unique qualities among them.

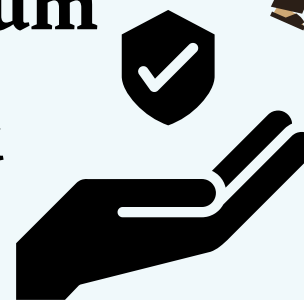
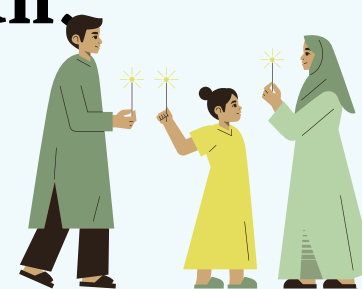
We wish our students a prosperous future ahead in unleashing their potentials to deeper and broader learning horizons.

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*all
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best*

April 2023 Horizon

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To accomplish the dream of becoming a developed nation, Indians need to invest in the innovation sector and be more creative. The innovation sector has the potential to bring about significant changes and growth in the economy. We must focus on increasing the quality and life of products while decreasing the cost of manufacturing. Service sector should be more disciplined and integrate technology and apply it optimally. Innovation needs to be tried in the sector of agriculture and other sectors dependent on nature directly and the focus should be on sustainable development.

Education plays a vital role in fostering innovation and creativity. Schools should prepare students for the ever-changing world and equip them with the skills, attitudes, and values needed to succeed in the competitive world. Educational institutes need to ensure cooperation, collaboration and continuous upgradation for making students job-ready. It is essential to create a research culture in educational institutes to encourage students to come up with novel ideas that can be patented and encashed.

PCER Chembur organises many programmes to inculcate creativity among students and encourages them to participate in many activities and competitions. Sessions on Microteaching, Intellectual Property Rights and Action Research Paper Presentations were the highlights of this month. These were the steps for nurturing a research culture among students and encouraging them to become more scientific and to come up with new ideas.





FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Dr. Reni Francis was invited as a keynote speaker to speak on 'Cyber security: Challenges & Remedies during e-learning education' at the World Record Webinar Series organized by Shri Kumar swami Mahavidyalaya, Ausa, Dist. Latur, MS, India.



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Ms. Achala Bhor interviewed the students for Action Research Projects on 19th March, 2023 for Dr. Homi Bhabha Bal Vaidnyanik competition organised by the Greater Bombay Science Teacher's Association.

Ms. Surekha C. published her research paper on "ONLINE TEACHING - CHALLENGES FACED BY EDUCATORS" in Conflux Journal of Education Volume 11, Issue 2, June 2023.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

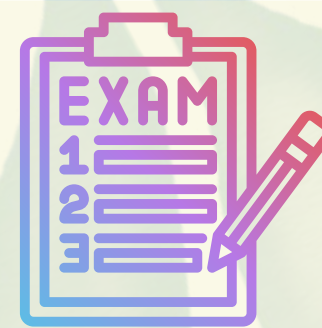
Ms. Kalpana Krishnan won the Best Action Research Paper Presentation at the Student Teacher Action Research Seminar organised by MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur in collaboration with Chembur Sarvankash Shikshanshastra Mahavidyalaya in 29th April, 2023.

Congratulations!



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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS



University of Mumbai Semester I B.Ed Examinations were conducted on 10th, 11th & 12th April, 2023. PCER, Chembur catered as an examination centre for 127 F.Y.B.Ed students of different colleges in Mumbai



SEMESTER II ORIENTATION

Semester II Orientation was conducted by the Principal of PCER, Chembur, Dr. Reni Francis on 15th April, 2023. She introduced the students to the courses and other important aspects. Dr. Vithoba Sawant conducted the Practice Teaching Orientation for the student where he spoke about the number of lessons they have to give, marks for each lesson and other important details.



MICRO SKILLS DEMONSTRATION



A Micro Skills demonstration was done to introduce the F. Y. B. Ed. Students to the different aspects of giving effective lessons. All the teachers demonstrated the following skills: Set induction, probing questions, Skill of explanation/stimulus variation, skill of illustrating with examples, black-board presentation. One integrated lesson was demonstrated to the students for their understanding.

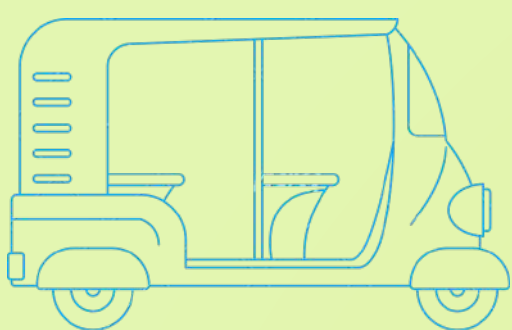




WORLD HERITAGE DAY



World Heritage Day, 2023 was celebrated at PCER, Chembur through field visits at the historic buildings, monuments and archaeological sites with the aim of promoting awareness about the importance of preserving these heritage sites. To commemorate World Heritage Day F.Y.B.Ed students visited various heritage sites in Mumbai such as Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (Prince of Wales Museum), Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (Iconic VT station), Rajabhai Tower (Fort campus of the University of Mumbai) and many more. Visits to these heritage sites provided an opportunity for the student teachers to understand and appreciate India's rich cultural heritage, helping them to raise awareness about the threats such as climate change, natural disasters, and human activities that these heritage sites face. This activity helped the students to gain understanding about the value of cultural heritage.



VISIT TO THE MAHARASHTRA NATURE PARK



S.Y. B. Ed students visited Maharashtra nature park on 16th April 2023 as a part of an activity from the elective course 3(EC3) – Environmental Education. This visit was organised to provide hands-on experience with environmental studies. At Maharashtra Nature Park the students got to know about the ecological system and various medicinal and aromatic plants along with their source, phytoconstituents and medicinal properties. Students visited a butterfly garden, an aviary and a nursery that showcased a range of exotic and indigenous plant species. They also visited all the sections of the park such as the vermicomposting section, nursery section, medicinal plant section, etc. Overall, the visit to Maharashtra Nature Park provided students an experience of Mumbai's natural beauty and learning more about the city's rich biodiversity and also to create awareness in Ecology and conservation of nature.





SPECIAL ASSEMBLY: AMBEDKAR JAYANTI & BIASAKHI, VISHU, TAMIL PUTHANDU, MESADI, BOHAG BIHU, POHELA BOISHAKH.

Mahatma Education Society's Pillai College of Education and Research students organized a special assembly observing the New year festivals of different states and Ambedkar Jayanti. This assembly was organised by the student- teachers of F.Y.B.Ed. The assembly began with the prayer followed by the thoughts for the day, news and SDGs (The Sustainable Development Goal). There was an inspirational speech about Dr. Ambedkar Jayanthi, in remembrance of his birthday and his enormous contribution to the society. There was a speech on Baisakhi, that provided more information that enlightened everyone about the festival. Its significance and customary celebrations were explained for this and other festivals like Bengali New Year or Pohela Boishakh as well as Tamil New Year. Bengal New Year is traced back to the Mughal Empire, where it was celebrated as a harvest festival. It acquired significance during the Bengali Renaissance in the late 19th and early 20th centuries when cultural icons like Rabindranath Tagore and Kazi Nazrul Islam incorporated it into their literary works. Lastly, there was a speech on Tamil New Year, also known Puthandu. It is the first day of the Tamil calendar, and holds great significance for the community. Dr. Reni Francis gave a meaningful message conveying the importance of an individual's right, the liberty given to us to celebrate all these festivals of various states without any restrictions



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY: EID-AL-FITR & EARTH DAY



Mahatma Education Society's Pillai college of Education & Research conducted a special assembly on Earth day and Ramzan Eid celebration on the 19th of April, 2023. The F.Y.B.Ed students of tutorial group 2 conducted a special assembly. The event was graced by our beloved principal Dr Reni Francis ma'am, teaching and non teaching staff and the students. The event started by seeking the blessings of the Lord with a prayer followed by the thought of the day and sharing of news. SDG 15 'Life on Land' was highlighted where special emphasis on the protection and preservation of environment and biodiversity was discussed in relation to World Earth Day. The speech on Earth day was given by Mamata Kokaje where she focused on how crucial it is to protect the earth by small acts and by taking certain steps for its preservation. Lubna Shaikh enlightened students about Ramzan Eid, and how the festival is celebrated, in a detailed manner. Further Principal ma'am spoke a few words on the significance of earth day with a subtle example about how aggression causes destruction around us similarly we being aggressive to the environment can be harmful for Earth too. She also shared a few thoughts on Eid celebration and the importance of this festival.

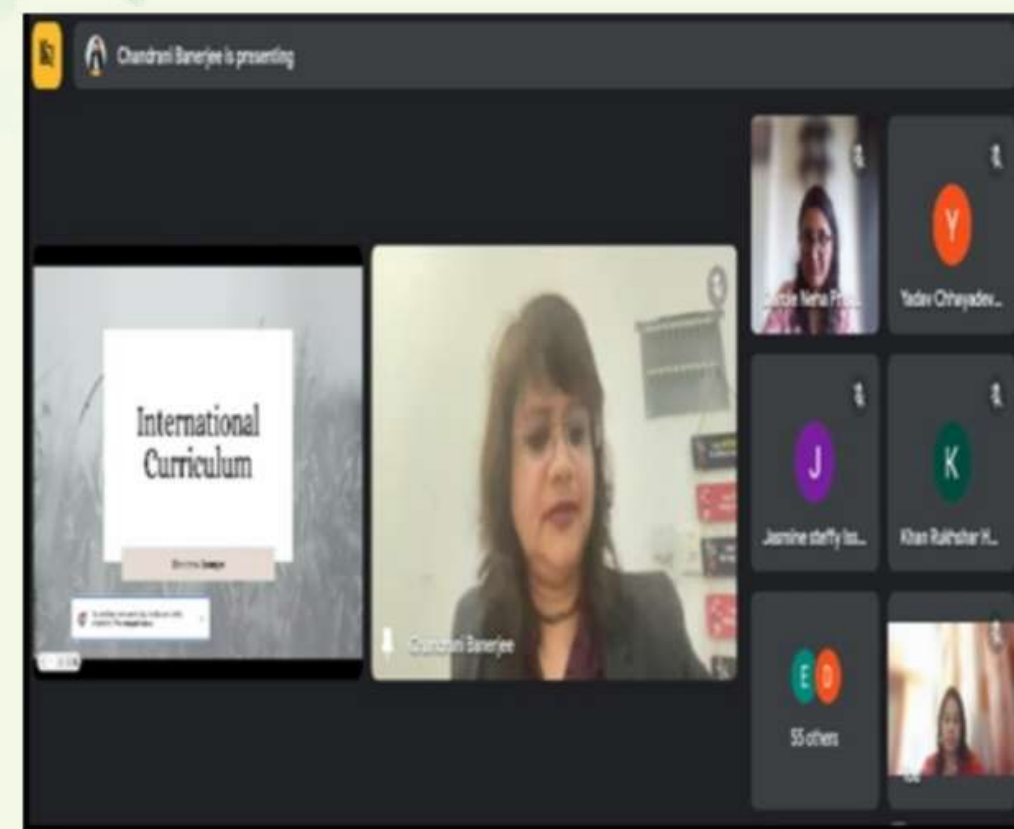




ALUMNI SESSION: INTERNATIONAL CURRICULUM MS. CHANDRANI MUKHERJEE



PCER organised an online session on the topic 'International Curriculum' for the F.Y and S. Y. B. Ed students on 27th April at 3.30pm via google meet. The session was conducted by PCER alumna Ms. Chandrani Banerjee, PYP Coordinator, Mount Litera School International. The session was hosted by S Y B Ed student Ms. Neha Darole. Ms. Chandrani oriented the students regarding the International Baccalaureate Programme. She provided an overview of the key elements of the IB programme such as International mindedness, learner profile, POI -programme of inquiry, broad balanced conceptual and connected curriculum, five skills, 6 TD (Trans Disciplinary) Theme and Best practices. It was a highly informative session that provided the student teachers with a good perspective regarding the IB programme.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY: SAFETY & HEALTH AT WORK



Mahatma Education Society's Pillai College of Education and Research conducted a special assembly on the occasion of World Day for Safety and Health at Work, dated 27th April 2023. The assembly started with Prayer followed by news, SDG and thought for the day. The students then delivered a speech on the significance of safety and health at work. Students made a video highlighting some topics like the objective behind celebrating such a day, theme for the year 2023, and work related stress and collective measures to prevent stress at workplace. One student spoke about how a safe and healthy working environment is a fundamental principle and right at work. The assembly ended with a vote of thanks.





EXPERT SESSION: IPR

DR. B. K. SARKAR

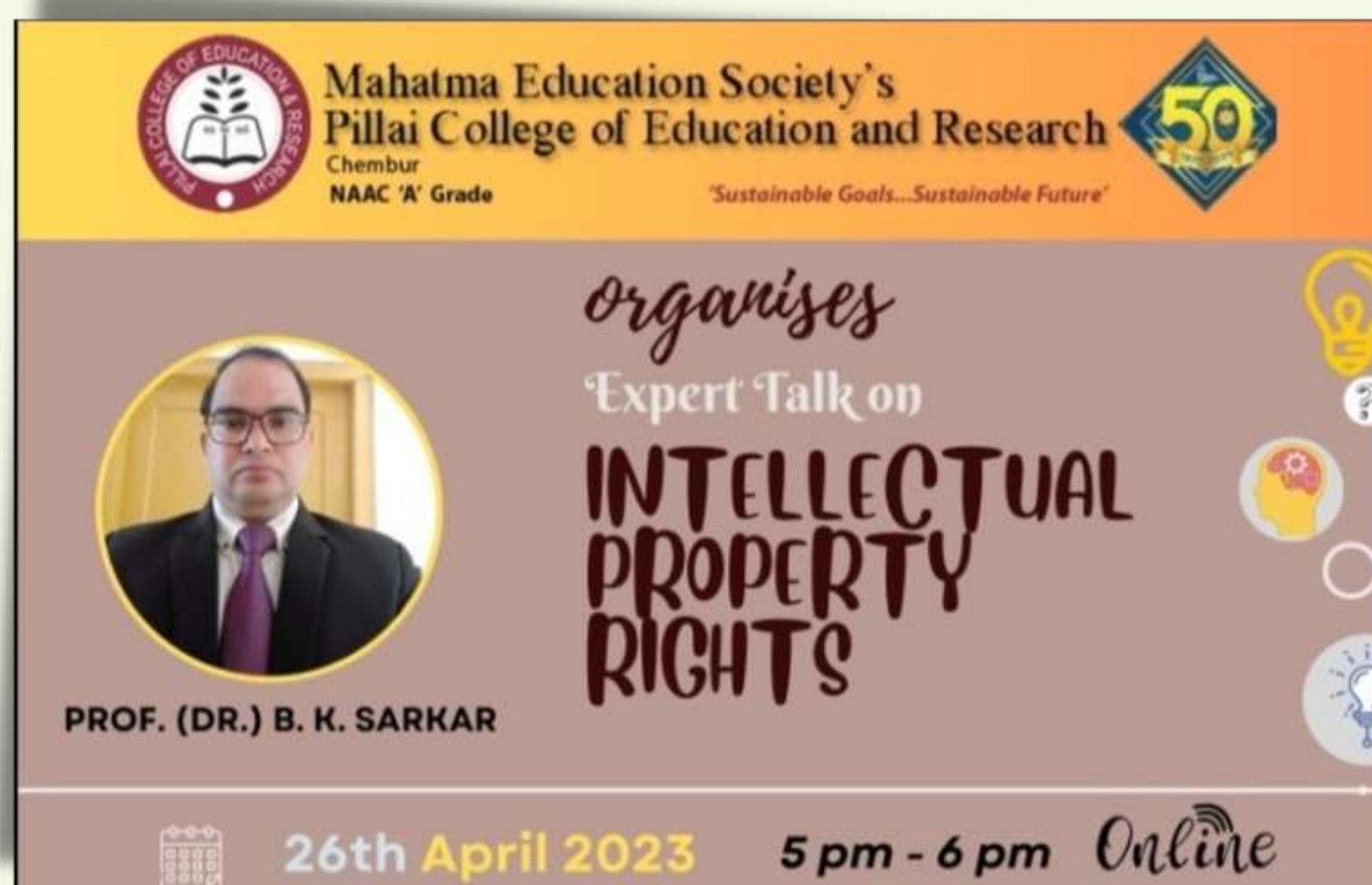


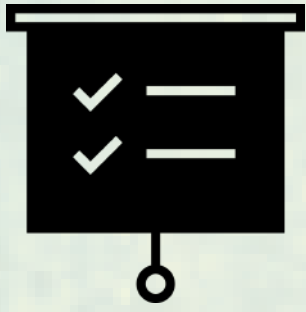
World Intellectual Property Rights Day is celebrated annually on 26th April to raise awareness about the importance of intellectual property rights (IPR) and promote creativity and innovation. This year, PCER Chembur celebrated this day with a lot of enthusiasm, promoting the concept of originality, ethics, and creative thinking.

Dr. B.K. Sarkar, an eminent educationist with a passion for patents, graced the occasion as the guest speaker. In the online mode he shared his expertise on IPR with the budding teachers and faculty members of PCER Chembur. The aim was to encourage a culture of respect for intellectual property, especially among the students.

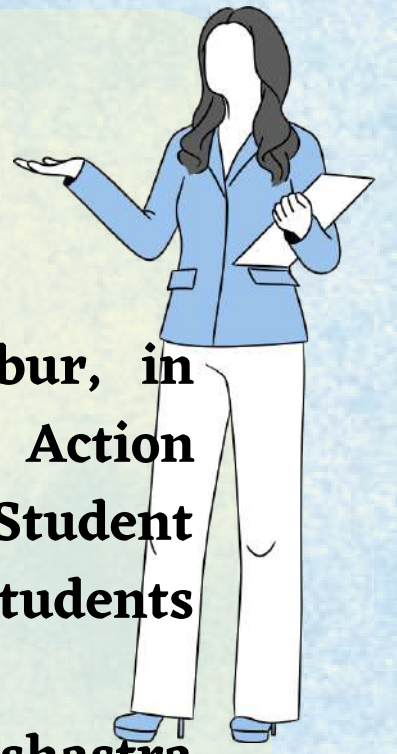
Dr. Sarkar shared his expertise on patents and their importance in protecting innovations. He gave a detailed explanation of the patenting process, including the criteria for patentability and the benefits of patenting.

PCER Chembur takes pride in its achievements of obtaining 6 patents and aims to spread awareness about the importance of IPR. The session with Dr. Sarkar served as an excellent opportunity to understand the nuances of IPR and how it can benefit the institution and society. The institution aims to continue to take such initiatives to encourage creative thinking, originality, and ethical considerations among students.





STUDENT TEACHERS ACTION RESEARCH SEMINAR



Mahatma Education Society's Pillai College of Education and Research (PCER) Chembur, in collaboration with Chembur Sarvankash Shikshanshastra Mahavidyalaya, organized an Action Research Paper Presentation competition on 29th April 2023. The event was part of the Student Teachers Action Research Seminar Series (STARS), which provides a platform for S.Y.B. Ed students to share their action research projects undertaken as part of their Semester 4 curriculum.

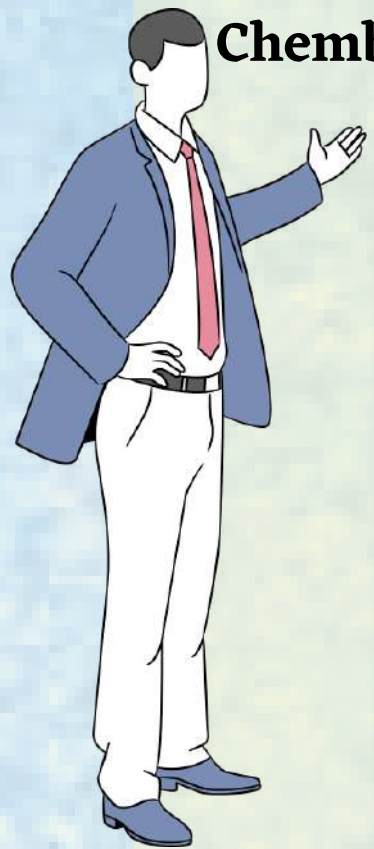
STARS is a collaboration of PCER Chembur with Chembur Sarvankash Shikshanshastra Mahavidyalaya. The event was an opportunity for the student teachers to showcase their research skills and explore various aspects of teaching and learning. The competition was a great platform for the participants to share their findings and receive feedback from experts in the field of education.

The student participants presented their action research papers on various topics, including innovative teaching methods, classroom management, interventions and assessment techniques.

The event was judged by Dr. Bhaskar Thube of Mahatma Junior College of Education and Mrs. Spruha S. Indu of Chembur Education Society, who evaluated the presentations based on various criteria, such as overall presentation, utility, and research methodology. The judges provided valuable feedback to the participants, highlighting the strengths and weaknesses of their presentations.

The institution expresses its gratitude to Dr. Sunita Magre, HOD of Education Department of the University of Mumbai for initiating this idea and giving the thought provoking Valedictory Address. She appreciated the endeavour and highlighted the importance of such events in student development.

The Action Research Paper Presentation competition was a great success, providing a platform for student teachers to showcase their research skills and share their findings. The event was a testament to the dedication and hard work put in by the student participants and the PCER Chembur and CSSM College of Education teams.



ALUMNI CORNER

Dream
AND
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YOUR OWN
STORY



MS.APSHIP PERIYANAYAGAM
ALUMNI BATCH 2019-2021
APEEJAY SCHOOL, KHARGHAR
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Dreams! Can We Make It True?

Dreams are dreams, they never come true,
But having faith and confidence in them gets us through,
Dreams can be our future, If only we walk hand in hand.
Let's work together to Make it True and Make It Through....

When once I saw the lightning in the sky,
Ruling me over and calling me by,
No more sorrow, no more vain,
How can my heart still feel the pain?
Staring at the sky and the night lights that shower,
Just to hear from you that this isn't too far.
Still following you to make me realize,
Are these things same through your eyes,
I just want to see you and tell you
now Let's Make it True and Make it Through....

To and forth my heart wanders,
Searching for your soul to lose the blunder,
Nearby, Close by or Far apart,
Let's now promise to follow each other's heart,
I've been thirsting for this day,
Where we live together and pray,
Finally! we are here together and forever,
Let's now be there to each other and surrender whatever
and Make it True and Make it Through....

- Apship

DREAM ON



STUDENT CORNER



MS. SONALI JANA
F.Y.B.ED.
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I wonder what happiness would feel like to a kid.
As he is small, he never knows what he did!
Maybe getting a chocolate from his dad
Or troubling mommy until she is mad?

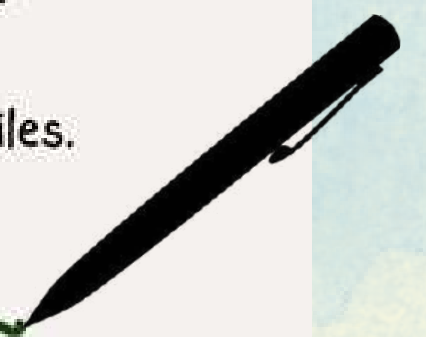
I wonder what happiness would feel like to a young boy.
Obviously he wouldn't like it if he was gifted a toy
Maybe for him it's getting a new phone
Or setting up his favorite ringtone?

I wonder what happiness would feel like to a man.
I think it's doing all the possible things he can
Maybe getting a highly earned job
And acting like he's a snob!

I wonder what happiness would feel like to the old.
Obviously it wouldn't be to always being told
Maybe it's getting a phone call from his grandchild
Or sitting on his wheelchair and looking back at memories
with a smile :)

At every stage of life we experience different things.
And we keep holding on to million different strings
Let everything we do begin with a smile
And happiness will follow along with us through miles.

~Jovita Dsouza~



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