

# Newsletter

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**Bombay Presidency International School, Mumbai** 

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...

Have you ever heard an older person be referred to as' no spring chicken'? This common term is used to describe someone who is typically past young adulthood, but may still be trying to look and act younger than his age. While this is not a compliment, it acknowledges the seasons of life we all experience and the actions and mindsets associated with each. This certainly proves that the cycle of life is similar to the cycle of seasons. The seasons come and go naturally with the predictable as well as unpredictable transformations that our world endures. This mirrors the transitions in the lives of humans. which are also associated with our traits. As we transition from one season to the next, our circumstances, our needs, mindsets and actions have to evolve just like the transitions that occur in the environment. The seasons are closely related to our lives and narrate the significant truth of our life - Nothing stays the same for long.

Joseph Anderson has beautifully portrayed the cycle of life and its relation with the seasons in his poem 'Season of Life'. The opening lines of the poem compare the seasons and humans in the most perfect way.

'How like the seasons is our life,
We face the sunshine, storms and strife;
As seasons come, so they must go,
We are enjoined within that flow.'

Dear readers, we bring you the next edition of our school newsletter themed 'Seasons'.

We sincerely apologize for the delay. We are sure that you will appreciate the work of our students and their thoughts and experiences related to the theme. Stay safe and enjoy the issue.

- Rachana Nirgudkar

### Seasons for life

Summer days are here at last
All the children now would cheer;
Days of their school now become their past
They had been waiting for this since a year

Now the summer skies turn into grey The heat of the summer fades away; Into the earth the thunder now dives Along with it the grey cloud arrives

It's time for the winter snow
Now there will be no chirp no crow;
Only cool draught of air that flows
Oh here comes the season and it quickly goes

Like all the seasons
we should do things in time;
Else man will be left behind
All the seasons come and go
from the
summer's heat to the winter's snow.

Vidhi Rambhia, VIII

## Sublimity of Humans and Seasons

The perfect orchestration of the symphony of life is the creators greatest gift to humanity. So very subtle and eloquent are these serene creations that one cannot deny the beauty of it. One always wonders whether the seasons are created by God or humanity, we were always on the horns of a dilemma. Well taking into consideration of the profound topic of seasons ... Can the change of seasons be ever stopped? Can we atleast change the seasons according to us? No, we cannot. If the seasons were created by humanity we could do these things but we cannot. And that is the irony of it. Worldwide seasons are innumerable. So very unique and eccentric are these seasons that nobody denies the peculiarity of them. The seasons are so nonchalant that with time they keep on continuing their slow cycle of the change of seasons. And so very subtly they change that one does not even know till they are in the middle of the season. Seasons are very different from each other, like summer, monsoon, autumn, winter, spring, and so on and so forth. Every person on this holy land of Earth atleast loves one season. Mostly the winter season is appealed to a lot of people. But some handful of people love the summer season, including me!! We should never stay in the dogma about seasons because nothing is so aberrant and spiffing like them. Seasons, seasons and seasons, they never end!!!!

Madhuri Asolkar, VIII



It was a usual hot afternoon and there was a power cut. Swara, Mahira, Madhur and Seema were sitting in the house and wiping their sweaty foreheads. Their grandmother smiled and said, "Children, enjoying your summer holidays? It is too hot here. Should I prepare a glass of lemonade for you? Then everyone will tell me which is their favourite season and why."

Grandma arrived with a tray full of refreshing lemonade. Swara immediately picked up a glass and said, "I like summer because we have summer holidays and we are able to drink the sweet lemonade you offer us. We get to visit all our friends and family members and spend quality time with them. Ripe and sweet mangoes are the speciality of this season. As we don't have school, we get time to play all day long and because of the holidays it is a good opportunity for us to read, explore, indulge ourselves in studies. We can read Encyclopedias and informative books for our next academics."

"Summer is the season when it is bright everywhere and plants get a lot of heat and warmth in the sunlight required for plant growth. The process of photosynthesis occurs more efficiently which produces food and oxygen as a by-product. Humans get Vitamin D from the sun which shines the most brightly in summer".

Mahira said,"I like the rainy season as it is a relief from the scorching heat. Everything looks so beautiful. All the water bodies are replenished with water. To farmers, rain is like a gift from God. Rainwater quenches the thirst of humans and animals alike plants also need water to grow. Rain spreads greenery and it is a pleasure to watch it. We get water for cooking and drinking purposes. Rain brings happiness. Children play in rainwater, jump in puddles and enjoy themselves. That is why I like the rainy season".

"Winter is good for the world around us. Many plants need shorter days and low temperature to become dormant. These plants can store up energy for new growth. Some trees also shed their leaves and grow in their places. It is pleasant everywhere. That is the reason I like winter" said Madhur.

"Why are you so quiet Seema? Which is your favourite season?" asked grandmother.

"I like all the seasons. All of them have their own speciality." said Seema.

Grandmother said," I agree with you. Summer, Monsoon and Winter seasons have their own unique features. All of them are equally essential for us."

Everyone kept the empty lemonade glasses in the tray and ran in the front yard to play.

Swara Kathe, VI-B

#### Every Dark Cloud has a Silver Lining

A long time ago, in the village of Olympus, a severe drought occurred. All the wells were dry, the water in the rivers had evaporated and the land was nothing but parched. The drought gave way for famine. The villagers starved and started losing hope for rain to come. They had to travel two-kilometers for water, which was tiring.

In the same village lived a young man, Denal. He was known for his intelligence as well as his diligence. When the villagers lost hope and started depending on the other villages for food, Denal tilled his land and sowed a few seeds."Sowing seeds when there's no water for them to grow. Are you insane?" is what the other villagers would shout at him. He would pay no heed to them and calmly reply, "Remember, every dark cloud has a silver lining. My actions may seem useless in this situations, but in the future, they may change." People laughed at him and called him a 'mindless philosopher'.

Summer passed and Winter came. There was no sign of rain but it did snow a lot. The village paths were covered with it, including the land Denal had tilled. Winter passed and Summer came again. The soft snow melted due to the blazing sun. After a few weeks, the seeds that Denal had sown began to germinate. In a month he had a good crop.

The other villagers' jaw metaphorically hit the ground, but he smiled and said,"My actions were useless in Summer, but they are useful now. Had I not sowed the seeds that time, knowing that 'every dark cloud has a silver lining', I would not have a good crop now. Never lose faith even in the darkest of situations. The sun melted the snow and provided water for my seeds. Had I lost hope, this would not have been possible. There is always hope and a way."

The villagers learnt their lesson and never lost hope even in the toughest of situations then on.

Moral:- Every dark cloud has a silver lining.

Sayali Gaikwad, IX

#### On a Cold Winter Night

Have you experienced how a cold dark night suddenly fills up with sounds and shadows that play with your mind!



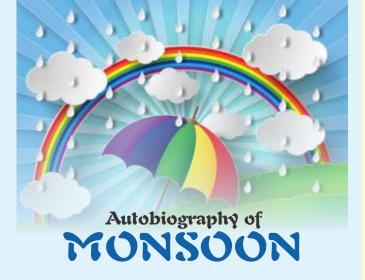
Let me tell you something about it.

It was a cold winter night. I was trying to sleep in my warm cozy bed. As I was feeling restless, my mother stayed with me till I fell asleep. Suddenly a strange noise woke me. I found myself alone in the room. I looked out through the windows. I remembered reading somewhere that on moonlit nights like these trees would uproot themselves for a while, visit other trees and talk about humans and happenings. And then before dawn they would return to their places.

I peered through the window but thankfully the trees were standing in their original position. The only thing I saw was a strange shadow dancing near my window with its eyes wide open. I started screaming with fear. My parents came running to my room and found me crying and sobbing. I told them about the strange noise and the shadow.

Listening to my story, my parents looked out of the window and started laughing. Hugging me they took me near the window. Gathering courage I opened my eyes and looked. What I saw made me laugh too! The old banyan tree near my window was making noise of the whistling winds with its long branches. Its leaves formed the dancing shadows. As for the eyes, they belonged to an owl sitting on the branches. I felt foolish. I promised myself that I would be brave and stronger in the future. My parents and I have a good laugh each time we talk about it.

Swathi Pillai, V-A



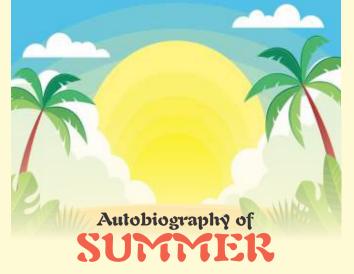
#### Hello Everyone!

I am Monsoon. The most loved, admired and favourite season of all the children. Summer, Winter, Autumn and Spring are my siblings. Although few of my siblings arrive before me, people highly appreciate me and are quite delighted upon my arrival. My siblings always help me. Summer makes sure that all my excess water is dried up, Autumn brings dry winds and cool breeze and always dries the moisture around. Winter brings in her chills to calm the humidity and moisture I spread all over. Absence of one of my siblings will leave me and also mankind helpless.

Now, enough of my family. Let me speak about my other family members living on Earth. Farmers are my best friends. If I am late due to certain reasons, they try to call me by performing pooja. Although I don't believe in it, I hurry myself and bring a smile to the farmer's face. I am incharge of filling all the lakes and rivers that are dried due to excess heat in the summer season. My little friends have mixed emotions about me. They are delighted upon my arrival but also disappointed as their schools begin with my arrival in the month of June. I love when my little friends play and dance in my showers, splash water on each other in a fun way, make paper boats and sail them in those little streams of water.

But these days, I am quite angry with humans. They are always performing activities that lead to global warming. Due to this global warming, there are few impersonators like acid rain and hailstones that leave a bad impression of me on humans. So, please tell your friends to not do activities that contribute to global warming. Not only I am affected but also my siblings. We love to spend time on earth and would love to continue spending the time here. Come on, it's time I leave. See you in a while.

Arjun Aroon, VI-B



After God created earth, he sent five of us to make it a suitable place to sustain life. Hello everyone! I am Summer, the eldest of all. Monsoon, Spring, Autumn and Winter are my siblings. We began our life on Earth by equally dividing our duration in each heat zone.

My first meeting with Earth is after the festival of Holi. Children tricked me by bathing in cool water and escaping the heat. Even though people complain about me, I am loved by children. I always arrive with their most loved period of the year- the summer vacations. We can see the king of fruits turning yellow on the trees. They turn sweet, juicy and pulpy on my arrival.

Since I am the eldest, I am even powerful. There are instances when I am highly disappointed with human activities. I express my anger and grief by shining brightly, which increases the temperature on the planet.

I take control over water after I show my power. A person understands its importance as soon as I drink it all from all the lakes and rivers. To cool down most people prefer sitting in the cool breeze of air conditioners.

When I arrive, farmers till their land and the panchayat meets under a huge Banyan Tree in the evening.

With all these enjoyments, in some regions, I am followed by droughts and hot winds, formation of deserts. The land cracks up in dry areas. The temperature rises with my heat and makes the land too hot for anyone to step on it. I am really sorry for these inconveniences. But, it is in my nature.

Yet, I am crucial for the survival of all living beings. I play a significant role in the process of the water cycle. I warn humans about global warming by increasing my heat which would eventually happen when there will be a lot of heat getting trapped.

I have been making the earth prosper for millions of years. With all these characteristics, I am still continuing, enjoying and living to the fullest on earth.

Sharvil Tole, VI-A



What do you remember when you hear of the movie Frozen? Yes! You are absolutely right! It's the season of snow, the season of snowflakes. It's the season of Winter! It's me! Yeah, sometimes you don't get sufficient amount of sunlight because of me. But it's totally fine.

Many gorgeous looking flowers bloom in this season. For instance, the snapdragons. They are my favourites. What makes me even more beautiful are the mountains covered in snowy, icy ice caps. I arrive in the month of November for you to play in the snow. Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle on the way..... Oops. Got a little carried away with the song. Yes, then comes Christmas in December. And, don't forget the most important event - The New Year! Cold winds whooshing here and there.

I arrive first in the northern hemisphere to spread my chilly winds. And slowly and steadily, I move towards South Antarctica. It is full of snow throughout the year. But, more than 200 billion millimeters of snow melts each year. Why? What's the reason? I will tell you. Humans burn fossil fuels, cut down forests and farm livestock. This releases greenhouse gases which mix in the air which contain other harmful gases. This is Global Warming, the reason behind melting of ice. That's why, I spend very less time with you all than my sister Summer and my brother Monsoon.

So far, I have told you my pros and cons. Now, let me tell you the fun you could have with me!

Let me help you visualize my most favourite place on Earth. Antarctica is one of the best places I love to visit. It is my hometown. There is snow everywhere as far I can see. There are big fat polar bears with their cute cubs walking elegantly along the coast of the Arctic. There are penguins flapping their arms and wings and hopping all over. Seals in the arctic rejoice on the continent too. In Antarctica, you will also find the most famous Amundsen-Scott Research. I was present when Amundsen completed his voyage.

Phew! I am feeling a bit exhausted now. Let me take some rest and let summer arrive and enjoy her time with you. I hope you had a great time listening to me. I shall take a leave now. Bye.

Aaditi Shiraskar, VI-A

## भारत में ऋतू परिवर्तन

पृथ्वी को सूर्य की परिक्रमा करने के फलस्वरूप ऋतुओं में परिवर्तन होता है। जिससे जिससे ग्रीष्म, वर्षा और शीत ऋतु का अनुभव होता है। ऋतु परिवर्तन हमारे जीवन पर गहरा प्रभाव डालती है।

मई-जून की धूप से तप्ती धरती व गर्म हवा से लोग व्याकुल हो जाते हैं। आसमान छूते तापमान के कारण पक्षियों के लिए पेड़ पर पानी रखा जाता है तथा जगह-जगह सड़कों के किनारे मुसाफिरों के लिए भी पानी का प्रबंध किया जाता है।

बरसात का मौसम शुरू होते ही कई क्षेत्रों में मूसलाधार बारिश होने के कारण निदयों का स्तर इस प्रकार बढ़ता है की गाँव के गाँव खाली करने पड़ जाते हैं और शहर भी उससे अछूते नहीं रह पातें। कई -कई स्थानों पर बारिश की बूँदों के अभाव के कारण सूखे पड़ जाते हैं। इससे मानव जीवन और जीव-जंतु सभी बहुत अधिक प्रभावित होते हैं।

शीत ऋतु के आगमन से वातावरण की शीतलता हर एक व्यक्ति को सुखद का अनुभव कराती है। पर जैसे समय बितता है बढ़ती सर्दी के कारण लोगों का जीवन कष्टदायक होता है। इस ऋतु में घर से निकल पाना बहुत बडी चुनौती सा प्रतीत होता है।

भारत के सभी ऋतुओं का अपना-अपना एक सुंदर उत्सव है। कभी कोई नहीं कह सकता की कोई मौसम अच्छा है या बुरा। सभी भारतीय ख़ुशी के साथ हर मौसम का लुफ्त उठाते हैं। मुझे खुद पर गर्व है की मैं ऐसे महान देश भारत में जन्मा हूँ।

आई वर्षा ऋतू आई,
संग अपने खुशियाँ लाए।
रिमझिम रिमझिम पानी लाई,
आई वर्षा ऋतू आई।

चारो तरफ हरियाली छाए,
सबके मन को भी यह भाए।
प्रकृति की यह छटा निराली,
देख देख मन हर्षाली।

बच्चों के यह मन को भाए ,
बचपन की यह मुझको यद् दिलाए।
पानी की वह नव निराली,
याद है मुझके बातें सारी।

आई वर्षा ऋतू आई,
संग अपने खुशियां लाई।

Saavya Kadam, VI - A

Aaditi Shiraskar, VI-A

# DIARYOFEVENTS

The school reopened virtually on 3rd June for students of Sr. Kg, primary and pre-primary section and it reopened on 4th June and 7th June for Jr. Kg and Nursery respectively. Every academic year begins with new expectations, new ideas and activities. Like every year, a series of orientation meetings and class meetings were held for each class to apprise them of the rules, regulations, curriculum, assessment criteria and code of conduct. The orientations were held on the online digital platform of Zoom. The highlight of the meetings was the talk by the school counsellor on the developmental milestones of each age group. She discussed ways and means to cope with the changing behaviour of students.

A special assembly was conducted by the students of class X on 5th June on the occasion of World Environment Day.

Assembly is organized every Monday for the Secondary Section and every Wednesday for the Primary Section.

International Yoga Day was organized virtually on 22 June 2021 where the children performed various asanas. The most interesting highlight was the display of musical Yoga. The virtual event organized was successful in spreading awareness about the importance of Yoga and its principles.

Craft and SUPW activities are being conducted to promote creativity. The activities involved door mat making, book binding, sock puppet, broom making, baking, cement craft among the rest.

The pre-primary section had their own share of celebrations, events and activities. The students were involved in activities like Play day, Magic Show, Clay moulding Activity, Puppet Show, NFC Activity, Speak Out, Recitation, Show and Tell, Object Talk. Green, Blue and Yellow colour days were celebrated. Festival celebrations such as Raksha Bandhan, Janmashthami, Ganesh Chaturthi, Navratri and Diwali were organized to add to the festivities. The highlight of the activities and celebrations conducted was the 'Grandparents Day'

Students of Class I and II participated in the events organized for them. Object Talk, Ad MAd Show, Trash and Show, Recitation, Science Experiment events were planned wherein the students performed the experiments. Students of Class I were thrilled to be in the school premises after a long gap for the Diwali Party.

The string of competitions in the month of August for the Primary and Secondary Section began with the enthusiastic participation of students in the Extempore (Primary) and Declamation (Secondary) competitions. Few of the topics for Extempore were "Happiest day of my life'.'If I was invisible for a day', 'Best advice I ever got'

and 'Three things I would change if I rule the world' whereas for Declamation, the topics were extracts from speeches of 'Helen Keller', 'Steve Jobs','APJ Abdul Kalam' and 'Stephen Hawking'

Solo Singing Competition was held in the month of October. The theme for primary students was Folk Songs and Bhav Geet. The secondary section had to sing either devotional or classical / semi classical songs.

Jingle Making Competition was based on different themes for all the classes. Primary section followed the themes 'Let's make our world plastic-free','Lets make our world a better place to live' and 'Promotion of products for good health.' The secondary section prepared jingles based on the themes 'Science - it's magic','Promotion of a Tutorial App' and 'Technology - the hope for a better tomorrow'

The Trash and Show was organized in the same month. This unique Fashion Show featured students who used recycled materials to craft spectacular garments and displayed them. Solo Dance competition followed Trash and Show Competition. The themes for the Primary Section were Environment, Folk Dance and Festival.

The themes for the Secondary section were Relationship, Emotions, Games and "Retro".

All the events and competitions were held online in order to ensure safety of the students.

The academic year also marked celebration of various events and days of importance.

Independence Day 2021 was celebrated virtually wherein songs were sung and dances were performed to portray patriotism. Hindi Diwas was celebrated on 14 August 2021 to highlight the importance of the language. Poems were recited and opinions were expressed by the students too. Independence Day programme was arranged on 15th August 2021 virtually for the students.

Play Days were organized with parental consent adhering to all COVID protocols for Nursery and Pre-Primary sections of the school. Various fun activities were a part of the schedule of the day.

Dusherra was celebrated by the students of class IX and X in school. Students dressed traditionally for the event. Musical Chair was organized for the students to the tunes of Garba.

Diwali was celebrated with great pomp. Students of class I, IX and X attended the Diwali Party in school along with parental consent and social distancing and sanitation norms.

Toran Making Activity was an integral part of the Diwali Party schedule. Beautiful torans were prepared by the students. Snack Preparation Activity received a great response from the Secondary Section Students.

Theme Week was planned for students of class III to Class VII from 9 August to 13 August.

The sub-topics assigned to each class revolved around the central theme - Birds.

Excellent Presentations were made by the students and were well presented too. The theme was integrated with all the subjects during the regular teaching-learning sessions.

Classes VIII and IX were introduced to the esteemed event of Model United Nations. The first edition of BPIS MUN was successfully convened on 21 August 2021. The Agenda of the same was Racism in the United States and ways to prevent them. Enthusiastic participation and willingness to learn something new was highly observed. Science Exhibition was also organized for the students of III to VIII.

Sports events were conducted for all students from 22 November to 26 November. Yoga asanas, Plankathon, crunches, jumping jacks were a part of the sports event conducted.

Periodic Tests were scheduled in July and January and Semesters in the months of September and April for classes III to VIII. Semester II for class IX will be conducted in February.

Open Houses were conducted after every scheduled assessment. I Open House was conducted on 7 August 2021 for the students of class I to VIII virtually. For classes IX and X, it was conducted in offline mode on 14 August 2021.

II Open House was conducted on 23 October 2021 for classes I to X. It was held virtually for class I to VII and in offline mode for VIII to X.

III Open House for class IX was conducted in offline mode on 24 December 2021.

Hybrid Mode Teaching has been started for the students of class IX and X 11 October onwards and 15 November onwards for class VIII along with parental consent. COVID protocols are being followed for safety.

Series of Guest Lectures were organized for students of standard X to provide a deeper understanding in a topic specific way. Science Practicals were conducted too. Semester I ICSE Board exams were conducted by the Council 29 November 2021 onwards in offline mode.

A spectacular programme was arranged on the occasion of Christmas for the students. The programme was arranged virtually for classes III to VII. Students of class VIII, IX and X attended the programme in the school assembly hall. Class decoration competition was organized for students of VIII, IX and X.

Republic Day was celebrated virtually on 26th January 2022. The programme list included singing, dancing and digital presentation by the students.

## MUN - Secretary General's Experience

The position of Secretary-General gave me great pleasure. Besides being a commanding authority, I was also responsible for all affairs of the committee. I had to proactively coordinate with my teammates and guide delegates to appropriate conclusions. We had various meetings among ourselves to lay out the plans for the conference. The meetings were organized day and night in order to attain perfection in our coordination and execution of the plan. We personally co-ordinated with each delegate clearing every small doubt in order to carry out the conference without any complications. Various groups were created for delegates where they could freely put

forward their queries. Study guides were provided to the delegates a week prior for their detailed study. During the conference, the organising committee was in constant touch to ensure smooth running of the conference.

As a Co-Chairperson, I had to lead the conference and work along with the delegates to propose pertinent resolutions. Handling both these responsibilities together was indeed a challenging task. This could be only persuaded with the constant support of the Coordinating Teacher, Ms. Rachna Nirgudkar, who was my all-time helping hand and inspired me to preside over this conference. I am grateful to our admirable Principal Madam, Mrs. Sheeja Verghese, who offered me this golden opportunity.

This was a wonderful experience. It developed my personality, enhanced my vocabulary, inculcated leadership qualities within me, helped develop a good rapport with my teammates, built confidence, and introduced me to the factual world of diplomacy.

I appreciate the efforts of all my teammates, who succoured me throughout this journey and made the first edition of BPIS-MUN a glorious event.

Gargi Tamhane , IX

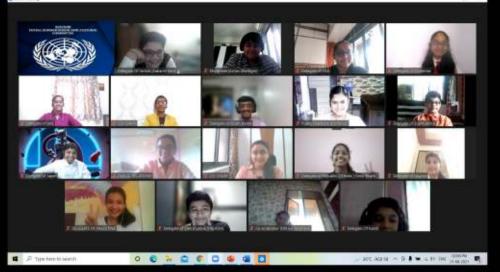


# Activities

## Christmas Celebration







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# FIT INDIA FREEDOM RUN 2.0

## Trash and Show







## Independence Day 2027



## Play Day Pre-Primary



# पहिला पाऊस

उन्हाळ्यात उकाडा असह्य झाल्यावर एका पाहुण्याची आपण आतुरतेने वाट पाहतो . तो पाहुणा म्हणजे पाऊस. परंतू या लहरी ऋतुचक्राचा काही नेम नसतो . कधी कधी आपल्याला पावसाची चातकाप्रमाणे वाट पहावी लागते, तर कधी हा पाऊस अचानक येऊन टपकतो . पावसाळा दरवर्षी येत असला, तरीदेखील प्रत्येक वर्षी आपल्याला पहिल्या पावसाचे कौतुक वाटते.

उन्हाळ्यात तापलेली जमीन नांगरून शेतकरी भुसभुशीत करून ठेवतो. या जिमनीवर पावसाचे थेंब पडल्यावर जमीन आणि शेतकरी दोघेही खुश होतात. त्यामुळे त्या शेतकऱ्याचे डोळे वरचेवर आकाशाकडे वळतात आणि मग अचानक वातावरणात बदल होतो. सूर्यनारायण अदृश्य होतात, आकाशात काळे ढग गर्दी करतात. वातावरण अंधारून येते आणि मग पाऊस पडू लागतो. ढगांना खाली येण्याची घाई झालेली असते. टपोरे थेंब खाली येतात आणि या तप्त भूमीवर पहिला पाऊस कोसळू लागतो. सारा निसर्ग ओलाचिंब होतो. मातीचा सुगंध दरवळतो.

पहिला पाऊस म्हणजे धरादारांची, वृक्षवेलींची जणू पहिली आंघोळच ! सारा आसमंत स्वच्छ होऊन जातो. लहान मुलांबरोबर मोठे माणसेही पहिल्या पावसात मनसोक्त भिजतात. पक्षीही मुक्तपणे पहिला पाऊस अंगावर घेतात. मोर तृप्ततेने नाचू लागतात. शेतकरी आनंदाने आपापल्या कामाला लागतात.

दरवर्षी येण्याऱ्या या पाहुण्याच्या स्वागतासाठी लोक जय्यत तयारी करतात. छत्या, रेनकोट यांची तयारी होते. ज्यांनी याच्या स्वागताची तयारी केलेली नसते त्यांची मात्र तारांबळ उडते. छत्री, रेनकोट नसल्यास त्यांना कशाचा तरी आडोसा घ्यावा लागतो.

cloudiness, dryness, sunshine, wind, rain, etc.

that are usually dry.

Atmospheric water vapour frozen into ice crystals and falling in light white flakes.

Disaster caused due to heavy rainfall where there is an overflow of water in areas

कधी कधी हा पाऊस अखंड धो धो कोसळत राहतो. त्यामुळे ठिकठिकाणी भरपूर पाणी साचते. वाहने वाटेतच बंद पडतात, शाळांना सुट्ट्या मिळतात. यामुळे जनजीवन पार विस्कळीत होऊन जाते.

असे असले तरीही हवाहवासा वाटणारा पाऊस सर्वांना समाधान देतो. कारण पुढच्या भरभराटीची आनंदवार्ताच तो घेऊन आलेला असतो. थोडा वेळ जेव्हा हा पाऊस विश्रांती घेतो, तेव्हा सारा आसमंत स्नानगृहातून नुकताच बाहेर पडल्यासारखा प्रसन्न आणि चैतन्यमय भासतो.

Gargi Tamhane, IX

# माझा आवडता ऋतू

ऋतू हा हवामानावर आधारलेला असलेला वर्षाचा ढोबळेपणे बनवलेला भाग आहे. भारतामधील वर्ष तीन मुख्य ऋतूंमध्ये विभागले गेले आहे. उन्हाळा, पावसाळा आणि हिवाळा. या सर्व ऋतूंमध्ये माझा आवडता ऋतू म्हणजे हिवाळा. हिवाळा भारतात नोव्हेंबरपासून जानेवारीपर्यंत राहतो. हा ऋतू सर्वात थंड ऋतू मानला जातो. माझा आवडता ऋतू हिवाळा आहे कारण या ऋतूत वातावरण थंड झालेले असते. सूर्याच्या तापत्या उष्णतेपासून मुक्ती मिळते. हिवाळ्यात कधी कधी ढग आणि धुक्यामुळे सूर्याला पाहणे देखील कठीण होते. हिवाळा आरोग्यदायी आणि सुंदर असतो. या ऋतूची सर्वच आतुरतेने वाट पाहत असतात. या ऋतूत व्यायाम केल्याने आरोग्य चांगले राहते. थंडीच्या दिवसात पहाडी क्षेत्र खूप सुंदर दिसू लागतात. या काळात काही ठिकाणी बर्फसुद्धा पडतो. हिवाळ्यात दिवाळी, नाताळ वा नवावर्षासारखे अनेक सण साजरी केले जातात. अश्या या हिवाळ्याची मी दरवर्षी आतुरतेने वाट बघत असते.

Mrunmayee Tambe, VII - B

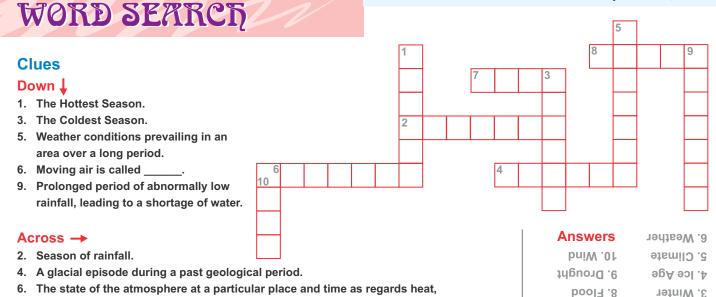
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2. Monsoon

Jeet Karia, IX

1.Summer



# MIGRATORY BIRDS FOUND IN SUMMER AND WINTER SEASON IN INDIA

#### Siberian Cranes

Siberian Cranes are snowy white color birds and migrate during winter to India. These cranes are omnivorous and breed in the Arctic tundra of Russia and Siberia.

Siberian Cranes or snow cranes are critically endangered species of migratory birds, wintered in Bharatpur Keoladeo National Park till 2002.





#### **Amur Falcon**

Amur falcons are small raptor that breed in Siberia and migrate to Southern Africa. During migration in large flocks across North East India and over the Arabian sea, they feed around Doyang Lake in Nagaland in the evening or early in the morning during the winter season.

#### **Greater Flamingo**

Greater Flamingo is the largest of all species of the flamingo family, found in the Indian subcontinent. The migratory bird found in parts of Nal Sarovar Bird Sanctuary, Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary, Flamingo City and in the Thol Bird Sanctuary of Gujarat during entire winter season





#### **Bluethroat**

Bluethroat is a small brightly colored passerine bird from thrush family and winters in north Africa and the Indian subcontinent. Keoladeo National Park of Bharatpur in Rajasthan is one of the best places to spot migratory birds coming to India in winter season.

#### Blue Tailed Bee Eater

Blue Tailed Bee Eater is a migratory bird found during the summers in much of peninsular India. This species is often seen near large water bodies.Blue Tailed Bee Eater nests underground in sandy banks or open flat areas near water bodies and predominantly feeds on Indian bees, Honey Bees, wasps and hornets.





#### Did you know, England imported over 157 billion pounds worth machinery and other goods.

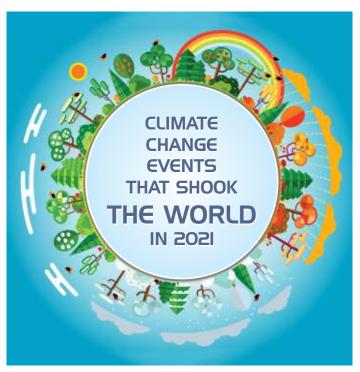
England has a reputation for having cold, wet and dreary climate. Yet it is also true that the climate plays a key role in facilitating agriculture and establishment of manufacturing units.

England is a highly industrialised country. It is an important producer of textiles and chemical products. England is a leader in pharmaceutical sectors, key technical industries, aerospace, arms industry, manufacturing side of the software industry. Sew of the biggest industries in England are:

#### SupermarketsPension fundingConstruction contractorsBanksHospitals

Nowadays industries and factories are omnipresent in England, but there are two sides of the same coin. This unexpected growth of industries has galvanized the UK's Royal Meteorological society to tell the government to shift some industries. The environmental fallout experts have also anticipated that in the coming decades England could face an environmental catastrophe if the industries are not shifted. These catastrophic events will be irreversible. Currently England has poor agricultural development moreover it is stated that the catastrophe will have a bad effect on the plants and crops. Already England has started making provisions for the upcoming catastrophe.

Shreesh Diwanji, VII - B



#### 1. Canada's heat dome

In late June, western Canada was caught under a "heat dome", a phenomenon causing scorching temperatures when hot air is trapped by high pressure fronts, and heats up even more as it is pushed back down.

The country broke its record high temperature several times, finally capping at 49.6 degrees Celsius (121 degrees Fahrenheit) in the village of Lytton on June 30.

The US states of Washington and Oregon were also affected. The World Weather Attribution group said global warming, caused by greenhouse gas emissions, made the June heat wave at least 150 times more likely to happen.

#### 2. Deadly floods in Europe

In mid-July western Europe was hit by devastating floods after torrential rains that ravaged entire villages and left at least 209 people dead in Germany and Belgium, as well as dozens missing.

The flooding also caused damage in Luxembourg, the Netherlands and Switzerland.

*Up to two months' worth of rainfall came down in two days in some parts of the region, waterlogging soil that was already near saturation.* 

#### 3. Deluge in China

Flooding also hit China in July, with cars strewn across the central city of Zhengzhou on Thursday as shocked residents picked through the debris of a historic deluge that has claimed at least 33 lives.

An unprecedented downpour dumped a year's worth of rain in just three days on the city, instantly overwhelming drains and sending torrents of muddy water through streets, road tunnels and the subway system.

#### 4. California's raging wildfires

Triggered by an alarming drought, the wildfire season is just starting in the American West where thousands of firefighters are already dealing with 80 large blazes.

By the beginning of the week the fires had ravaged more than 4,700 square kilometres (1,800 square miles) of vegetation.

The most spectacular blaze is the "Bootleg Fire" in Oregon, which in the space of two weeks has burned the equivalent of the city of Los Angeles in vegetation and forests.

#### 5. Glaciers and ice sheets

Mass loss from North American glaciers accelerated over the last two decades, nearly doubling for the period 2015-2019 compared to 2000-2004. An exceptionally warm, dry summer in 2021 in western North America took a brutal toll on the region's mountain glaciers.

The Greenland Ice Sheet melt extent was close to the long-term average through the early summer. But temperatures and meltwater runoff were well above normal in August 2021 as a result of a major incursion of warm, humid air in mid-August.

#### 6. Cyclone Tauktae and Yaas

The severe cyclones, Tauktae and Yaas, which battered India earlier this year, made landfalls on the country's western coast, Gujarat, and the eastern coast, Odisha, on May 17 and May 26, 2021, respectively. Both storms caused massive damage to infrastructure, the agricultural sector, and houses.

The massive and devastating cyclones were formed as a result of increasing warmth on the surface of the oceans and the water bodies surrounding the Indian peninsula.

(Compiled from the internet)

# Art Zone



Aadhya Shetty, IV - B



Avika Suvarna, III - A



Rishika Gupta, IV - A



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Kavin Pai, IV - B



Viha Mehta, IV - A

## Congratulations:

#### Mukta Deshmukh (VI B)

2nd position in Yoga Utsav ( Grades 5 and 6) ,at ANVESHAK, an inter-school Fest organised by Sri Sri Ravi Shankar - Mulund

Tanaya Patwardhan (VII A)
2nd position in Yoga Utsav (Grades 7 and 8), at ANVESHAK, an inter-school Fest organised by Sri Sri Ravi Shankar - Mulund.

#### Mihira Amberkar (II A)

3rd position in Yoga Utsav (Grades 1 and 2), at ANVESHAK, an Inter-school Fest organised by Sri Sri Ravi Shankar - Mulund.

#### Tanish Rane (IV A)

3rd position in Surya Namaskar at SPECTRUM organized by Pawar Pawar School, Dombivali held on 11 December 2021.

#### Swara Kathe (VI B)

4th position in short story writing contest organized by Saijaya Youth Initiative Trust.

#### Shressh Diwanji (VII B)

2nd position in 'नाबु कीर्तनाचे रंगी' at SPECTRUM organized by Pawar Public School, Dombivli held on 11 December 2021.

#### Keaya Shete (I A)

3rd position in Poetry Recitation competition organized by Seven Isles Cambridge School.

#### Radha Gangan (III B)

1st position in a Rap Show Competition organized by Seven Isles Cambridge School.

#### Aditi Shiraskar (VI A)

3rd position in Marathi Vaktrutva Spardha organized by Seven Isles Cambridge School

#### Avika Suvarna (III A) and Aadit Tarfe (III A)

Consolation prize in the National Level Painting Competition organized by Saijaya Youth Initiative Trust.

#### **Dhruvi Singhvi (IX)**

Consolation Prize in Dance Competition organized by Saijaya Youth Initiative Trust and Helpline Humanity.

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