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DIVE INTO DIVINITY : THE JANMASHTAMI CELEBRATION

The air was filled with devotion and joy as our school came alive with the vibrant celebrations of Janmashtami. From intricate jhanki decorations to the lively sajeev jhanki, every corner reverberates with the spirit of Lord Krishna's divine play.

Our little stars, clad in bewitching Krishna, and gopi attire, took center stage, bringing to life various episodes from Krishna's life. Nursery's dance, a portrayal of the endearing Bal Krishna, charmed the audience with its innocence and grace. K1 depicted an event from the Mahabharata. K2's performance, depicting the eternal love between Krishna and Radha, rapt us all with its beauty and emotion. Our talented students from Grade 1 to Grade 5 delved into the bewitching world of Krishna Leela, bringing to life the timeless tales of the Supreme Being's miraculous deeds. Each act, each dance, was an attestation to the children's benediction and the vibrancy of our school's cultural tapestry.

Moreover, our preschool kids shone gaily in the sajeev jhanki, embodying the essence of devotion and tradition, where they ones transformed into characters from the bewitching world of Lord Krishna. Decked in beautiful attire, they brought to life iconic scenes that have reverberated through the ages. The portrayal of Vasudev and Devaki in karagar was poignant, capturing the essence of sacrifice and parental love. Witnessing Vasudev crossing the river with little Kanha in his arms was a moment of thoroughgoing symbolism, showcasing the divine protection that Krishna embodies. The rendition of Krishna holding Govardhan Parvat was a sight to behold, symbolizing strength and protection. Yashoda Maiya's loving gesture of making makhana for Krishna depicted the tender bond between mother and child, a relationship cherished for eternity. The sajeev jhanki reached its crescendo with the Krishna Rasleela, a riveting dance of love and devotion.

Parents were spellbound as they witnessed these divine enactments, each scene an attestation to the children's benediction and the richness of our cultural heritage. Our little pandit ji, with innocence and reverence, offered prasada to the parents, spreading joy and blessings. The presence of families, the vibrant performances, and the spirit of unity made this Janmashtami celebration truly unforgettable.



THE JOURNEY TO THE RETRO : MOTHER'S DAY

At NLK's Disha, Mother's Day was not just a celebration, it was a journey back in time to the enchanting era of Purana Zamana. The mothers transformed into retro heroines, each adorned with a "Best Mom" sash, radiating chic and grace. The esteemed Principal, Ms. Ruma Chaturvedi, delivered an eloquent speech underscoring the pivotal role of mothers in our lives, emphasizing their irreplaceable significance. The event was brimming with joy as mothers showcased their dance skills, and children presented a special performance dedicated to their beloved moms. From a whimsical game challenging moms to balance a glass and a balloon to a Bollywood-inspired ramp walk, every moment was a nod to the past with a sprinkle of modern joy. The handmade certificates from their little ones were a tangible token of pure love.

This was no ordinary Mother's Day; it was a spectacular fusion of culture, appreciation, and love!



INDEPENDENCE DAY : A TOUCHING ODE TO INDIA'S DIVERSITY

This Independence Day, we stood together in unity, celebrating the beauty of inclusion that defines our nation. Our respected principal, Ms. Ruma Chaturvedi, with sapience, guided the kids on the significance of this day. Embracing equality, freedom, and the protection of all, we honored every culture, faith, and individual that enriches our diverse tapestry. The young stars of our preschool took the stage with beguile and enthusiasm, from anchoring to delightful acts like "Nanha Munha Rahi" and patriotic poems, inducting a sense of pride and love for our country. Our grade school performance was awe-inspiring, featuring patriotic songs, ramp walks, and cultural diversity dances. The speeches by our head boy and head girl embodied the spirit of freedom and unity.

As we basked in the glory of our nation's journey, we reaffirmed our commitment to upholding the values of inclusivity, respect, and harmony that make us proud citizens of India.



CROWNING THE FUTURE : UNVEILED THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW

The investiture ceremony held at NLK's Disha was a momentous occasion that honored the inauguration of new student leaders, exemplified the spirit of collaboration and order and highlighted the remarkable abilities and multiculturalism of the student body. The ceremony commenced with a warm welcome address by the host, followed by the ceremonial lighting of a lamp, a captivating display of cultural songs and performances, a vibrant march past accompanied by rhythmic drumbeats, and the conferral of badges and sashes upon the newly appointed leaders. The solemn oath-taking ceremony, officiated by the principal, underscored the staunch dedication of the student leaders to dutifully serve their peers and uphold the esteemed values of the school. In closing, the principal extended a heartfelt vote of thanks, expressing deep appreciation to all who contributed to the success of the ceremony. In essence, the investiture ceremony encapsulated a blithe celebration of leadership, unison, and the empowerment of students.



CULTIVATING INCLUSIVITY : STORYTELLING TO FOSTER BELONGING AND INCLUSION

Experience the lustre and creativity of our young talents as they bring classic tales to life in a vibrant storytelling activity. Dressed in enchanting costumes, our students portrayed characters from 'The Fox and the Crow,' 'The Hare and the Tortoise,' and 'Monkey and the Cap Seller,' sharing valuable lessons of sagacity and benevolence.

This storytelling activity was a celebration of inclusivity, where each child's unique abilities intertwined to weave an upholstery of joy, enlightenment, and unity. The session was a heartfelt reminder of the power of storytelling to foster understanding and acceptance and to showcase the beauty of every individual's uniqueness. It was an attestation to the strength found in diversity and joy.



EXCURSION TO METRO STATION

As part of our smart city project, the students of NLK's Disha, along with teachers, embarked on an exciting journey to explore the possibility of introducing a metro system in Kanpur. Our goal was to assess the feasibility and benefits of this initiative, aligning with the government's vision of transforming Kanpur into a smart city.

The Kanpur Metro, a modern and efficient mode of transportation, has impressed students of NLK Disha with its sleek, well-maintained stations, comfortable trains, smooth rides, punctual services, cleanliness, advanced safety features, convenient accessibility, integrated network with other public transportation systems, and affordable fares. The trains are air-conditioned, spacious, and comfortable, with ample seating and standing room. Its advanced safety features, inter-alia CCTV cameras, & emergency response systems make it an attractive option for daily commutes. Overall, the Kanpur Metro offers a revolutionary transportation experience for both citizens and visitors.



A GARDEN OF DIVERSITY, UNITY, AND INCLUSIVITY

Our school is a symphony of diversity, where each student's uniqueness is treasured like a bouquet of diverse flowers gracing a meadow. A place where every student plays a different instrument, yet collectively creates a melodious harmony of acceptance and understanding.

Envision the classrooms as gardens, where seeds of diversity bloom into a vibrant bouquet of perspectives, enriching the learning soil with the varied colours of experience. At NLK's Disha, students don't merely learn together; they dance to the rhythm of diversity, sing in the chorus of inclusion, and script the tale of unity with the ink of acceptance.

Inclusion transforms into a kaleidoscope of humanity, where love, respect, and inclusivity lay the foundation for strength and understanding. Here, we embrace and celebrate the richness of our differences, nurturing a thriving garden of unity where every child plays a vital part in creating a beautiful and harmonious whole.



CELEBRATING THE DREAM THAT STARTED IT ALL

On Founder's Day, students and teachers celebrated life and legacy by honoring and paying tribute to the late Shri Nand Lal Khanna Ji, founder of the NLK Group of Schools. His visionary leadership and dedication have made the school a pharos of excellence. His philosophy of "Education for All has inspired students to strive for academic excellence, inclusivity, and character building. Our esteemed Principal lit a lamp and offered garlands and flowers, while students and teachers offered blessings for their future.



MOSAIC OF CULTURES : STUDENT TALENT EXPO

Students engaged in drawing and coloring artwork that beautifully reflected the affluence of cultural diversity. Through their creative expressions, they depicted various traditions, festivals, and customs from around the world.

These artworks not only celebrated the uniqueness of each culture but also promoted a sense of unity and understanding among different communities. By exploring diverse cultural themes, students erudite to appreciate and respect the vibrant tapestry of human experiences, gaining a deeper understanding of the world around them.



Bhavya Sharma, Grade 5



Prince, Grade 4

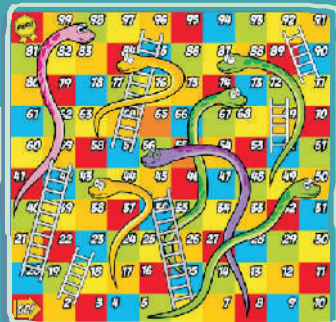
THE UNTOLO SIDE : THE UNSEEN FACE

The Indian army has a special division called the "Gorkha Regiment", which consists of soldiers from Nepal.



India has a floating post office in Dal Lake, Srinagar.

Snakes and Ladders originated in India : With its history dating back to the 13th century BC, this popular board game is believed to have originated in India.



The Kanpur Book Fair, organised by Book Mafiya, is an annual event held in July or August. This year, it took place from July 25 to 28, 2024, and featured over 500,000 books across 20+ genres. The fair aimed to promote literacy, foster a love for books, and bring the community together.

PIQUANT CUISINE

Mishti Doi is a classic Bengali dessert from East India, made with sweetened curd (yogurt). Here's a simple recipe:

Ingredients :

- 1 litre full-fat milk
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon cardamom powder (optional)

INSTRUCTIONS :

Boil milk in a pot, add sugar, and stir until dissolved. Cool slightly, add cardamom powder, and pour into clay pots. Cover, refrigerate for 4 hours or overnight. Serve chilled, garnished with cardamom powder if desired.

