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## Principal's message:

Dear Parents and Students

It gives me great joy to share the first edition of our newsletter, 'The Literary Lens'. This initiative is very close to my heart because I truly believe that reading quietly shapes a child's thoughts, feelings, and dreams. As Neil Gaiman says, 'A book is a dream that you hold in your hand.' I see this come alive when our children open a book and get lost in their own little world of imagination.

One of the most heartening sights is watching our students engage with books, explore stories, and make their own choices as readers. Our dedicated reading periods enhance this experience beautifully, giving children the time and space to discover new interests and develop a genuine love for reading. I also feel proud to see how this time is used to build language in such joyful and meaningful ways. Through games, storytelling, and creative activities, children are not just learning words, they are learning to express themselves with confidence. We have begun this journey with great hope and positivity. The new academic session 2026–27 promises to be filled with meaningful learning, and many opportunities for our children to grow.

Best wishes

– Ms. Fatima Dsilva, Principal NLK's Wendy School



## The minds behind the mission:



We are happy to introduce the Editorial Board, the dedicated team behind the creation of our school newsletter. With thoughtful planning, creativity, and teamwork, they bring each edition to life. Their efforts ensure that the newsletter truly reflects the voice, achievements, and vibrant spirit of our school.

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## Reading Cafe : A Basket Full of Stories:



Students eagerly wait for the library period. As the teacher walks into the classroom with a basket full of books, a wave of excitement spreads across the room. Curious eyes shine, and the classroom buzzes with anticipation. What stories will they discover today?

This is what our weekly *Reading Cafe* period feels like, a time when the classroom turns into a cheerful reading corner. The basket, filled with a variety of books, brings many different worlds right to the students. Children look through the books, choose what they like, and settle down to read with happiness and interest.



## Open a book, open your world:

Children! You have many things around you that are fun and interesting, like games, videos, and chatting with friends. There is something else that can be just as exciting, full of adventure and surprises. It is **books!**

Inside them are new stories, interesting characters, and fresh ideas waiting for you. All it takes is opening the first page to begin something exciting. Start with something short, funny, or interesting and read for just a few minutes. When you read at your own pace, it slowly becomes easier and more enjoyable.

### Try This If You Are in Grades 1 to 5

- Dog Man by Dav Pilkey
- Amar Chitra Katha
- Tinkle
- Chacha Chaudhary Comics

### Try This If You Are in Grades 6 to 8

- *Goosebumps* by R. L. Stine
- Books by Ruskin Bond like *The Blue Umbrella*
- *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* by J. K. Rowling
- Books by Sudha Murty like *The Magic of the Lost Temple or Grandma's Bag of Stories*
- Books by Deepa Agarwal like *Caravan to Tibet or The Teenage Diary of Rituparna*

– Fariya Jaffery Managing Editor

## Through a Literary Lens:



A literary lens means looking at the world through books and stories. When we read, we imagine new places and learn about different people and cultures. Authors share their thoughts and feelings through writing, helping us think, feel, and see life from different points of view.

There are also many organisations and platforms like **AWIC**, **LittleAuthors.in**, the **Young Authorship Program by Jyotsna Bharti** and many more that support students in writing their own books and comics and guide them in publishing their work. After understanding this concept, our team prepared a PPT to share it with other students. We explained using examples, visuals, and ideas of how students can create their own books and comics. We also shared how these organisations can help in publishing their work and turning their creativity into real books.

– Hanu Yadav, 6th Pearl



## Twisted Tales from Long Ago:

### From Race to Rescue

Once upon a time, a hare and a tortoise decided to race. The hare ran very fast and soon left the tortoise far behind. He felt tired and thought he had enough time to win, so he lay down under a tree and fell asleep. The tortoise kept walking slowly but steadily. While the hare was sleeping, a snake quietly came near him. The tortoise saw the danger. He forgot about the race and quickly went back to help the hare. He carefully woke the hare and moved him away from the snake. After making sure the hare was safe, the tortoise did not continue the race. The hare felt thankful and said sorry for being careless earlier. In the end, they did not worry about winning. They became good friends and learned that helping someone in danger is more important than any race.

**Moral:** Helping others in danger is more important than winning.

– Vidhi Jaiswal and Team, 8th Jade

## M for Mother Poem:

### MOTHER

M = makes my world so warm and bright,  
O = offers love both day and night.  
T = teaches me what's wrong and right,  
H = holds my hand when I'm in fright.  
E = encourages me to try once more,  
R = remains with me forevermore.

– Onirban Mukhjee, 4th Jade



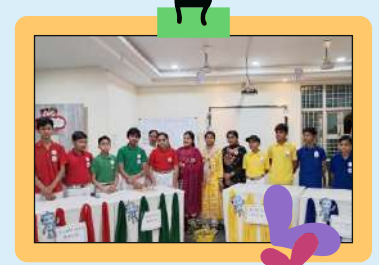
## Grammar Carnival Through a Literary Lens:

Keeping with the theme of the literary lens, the Grammar Carnival helped us see language in a new way. It helped us understand that English is not just grammar and rules, but also stories, creativity, and expression. During this event on English Language Day, we learnt about William Shakespeare for the first time and were amazed to know about his contribution to the English language and how he shaped many words we use today.

Students from Classes 1–5 participated in Spell Bee and English Writing competitions, while students from Grades 6–8 took part in Vocabulary Quiz, Story Making, and Debate competitions. Each activity helped us explore language in a creative and enjoyable way.

This experience helped us realise that language is something we live and express, not just something we study in books.

– Rudransh Shukla, 6th Pearl



## Sweet Smiles and New Beginnings to Session 2026-27:

It was heartwarming to see our new academic year begin on such a joyful note at NLK's Wendy School. Our little learning space was beautifully transformed into a dreamy Candy Land, with colourful decorations of candies, chocolates, and lollipops that instantly caught the children's attention and filled them with excitement.

The highlight for our tiny tots was the lovely candy cart and the cheerful Candy Man, who brought bright smiles and happy giggles all around.

It was a truly warm and happy beginning, and as a teacher, it felt wonderful to welcome the children into an environment filled with love, fun, and the promise of a year full of learning through play.

– Ms. Ishika Mehrotra, Preschool Mentor



## Watermelon Treat:

Our preschool students had a fun and refreshing Watermelon Party that filled the day with joy and excitement. Dressed in bright colours, the children gathered around a beautifully decorated watermelon cart, which made the celebration even more special. The little ones enjoyed tasting juicy watermelon slices and cool watermelon treats. Their happy faces and cheerful smiles showed how much they loved the activity.

– Twinkle Kukreja, Preschool Mentor



## Earth day Celebration:

On 22 April, we celebrated Earth Day with great enthusiasm across the school to spread awareness about protecting our environment and caring for nature. The preschoolers learned about the importance of Earth Day and trees through stories and activities, which helped them understand how trees give us oxygen, shade, and life.

Students of Grades 1 to 5 took part in a lively rally where they raised slogans like 'Trees are our friends' and 'Save trees, save life.' For Grades 6 to 8, an inter-house competition was conducted where we prepared and presented informative PPTs on environmental awareness. They explained the importance of using different coloured dustbins for waste segregation-red for hazardous waste, blue for dry waste, and green for biodegradable waste. We also highlighted the 3 Rs-Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle-as key steps to protect our planet. Through our presentations, we encouraged everyone to adopt eco-friendly habits in daily life. We also shared inspiring thoughts like, 'The Earth is what we all have in common,' and 'Small steps by each one of us can make a big difference.' – Shradha Dubey, 7th Jade



## Mother's Day Celebration at NLK Wendy's Khalasi Lines:

Our school celebrated Mother's Day in a very fun and special way for students from preschool to Grade 8. The program started with mothers being warmly welcomed with small favours, which made them feel special from the very beginning.

The best part was the ramp walk by our mothers. They were all so well dressed and confident, and we really enjoyed watching them. We clapped and cheered for them as they walked. There were also fun games and a non-fire cooking activity, and the mothers participated with great excitement.

At the end, prizes were given, which made everyone feel happy. It was a wonderful celebration, and we all enjoyed spending this special day with our mothers.

– Shreya Kosta, 6th Pearl

