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## The Principal's Perspective:

"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body." — Joseph Addison

Dear Parents and Students,

It gives me immense pleasure to present The Literary Lens, a reflection of our school's continuous endeavour to nurture a deep and meaningful love for reading among our learners. Literature has the remarkable ability to shape character, inspire imagination, strengthen values, and develop critical thinking skills that remain with children throughout their lives.

At our school, we believe that reading is not confined to academics alone; it is a gateway to creativity, curiosity, empathy, and lifelong learning. Through thoughtfully planned initiatives such as storytelling sessions, book reviews, reading circles, author studies, library activities, creative writing tasks, and literary competitions, we strive to create an enriching literary environment for every child.

The enthusiastic participation of students and the dedicated efforts of our teachers have made this journey truly inspiring. We are committed to fostering confident readers, expressive communicators, and thoughtful individuals who can connect with the world through the power of words.

As we turn each page together, may we continue to ignite curiosity, celebrate imagination, and cultivate the joy of reading in every heart.

— Archana Tandon, Principal



## The Minds Behind the Mission:



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## Parents Orientation: Welcoming Our New Families!



We hosted a special Parents' Orientation for our new joiners, diving deep into our school's rules, regulations, and values to ensure a smooth start. From attendance policies and uniform guidelines to homework expectations and discipline code-everything was covered with Q&A sessions! Parents also got their hands on our vibrant School Almanac, packed with: Academic calendar & holidays, Event schedules & achievements, Code of conduct & safety rules, Fee structure & support services, Club activities & extracurriculars. A big thank you to all who attended-let's make this year amazing together!  
— Naman Pratap Singh, VII-SUN



## Academic Stars 2025-26:



**Sambhav Sharma**  
Nursery-Chubby



**Advika Gupta**  
Nursery-Crazy



**Hridayansh Singh Chauhan**  
Nursery-Creative



**Maham Fatima**  
K1-Innocent



**Abdul Samad**  
K1-Inspiring



**Yashvi Rajput**  
K1-Intelligent



**Daivik Tiwari**  
K2-Pretty



**Virat Singh**  
K2-Pride



**Aditi Mishra**  
K2-Positive



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## Sparkle Spectrum: Annual Day Celebration:



Our Annual Day at NLK's Little Steps was a dazzling spectacle of achievements and joy!

Top academic scorers received glittering awards straight from the hands of our inspiring Principal Ma'am, Vice Principal Ma'am and dedicated coordinators. Co-curricular stars triumphed too-claimed victory! All witnessed by beaming parents, making it a family celebration to remember.

Proud moments that inspired us all! – **Mohd. Jamal**, VII-MOON



## Splash into Summer Fun at Pool Party!



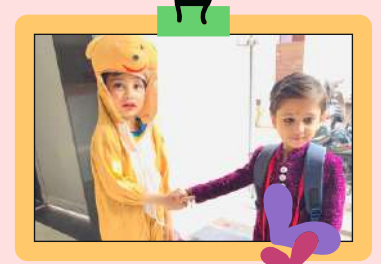
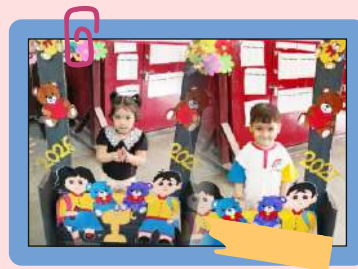
Our little swimmers made a big splash at the recent Preschool Pool Party! Tiny tots from Nursery to K2 donned their colorful floats and swimsuits, giggling and splashing under the sunny skies. With shallow pools filled with fun toys, gentle water games, and bubble-blowing stations, the kids enjoyed safe, supervised water play that sparked their curiosity and confidence. Parents cheered from the sidelines as our energetic preschoolers turned the school pool into their personal splash paradise!

– **Vanshika Mishra**, VII-MOON



## Teddy Dreamland: Welcome Aboard, Little Stars:

Our little cubs had a ROAR-some time at the Teddy Bear Welcome Party! Kids arrived with their favorite fluffy friends, proudly showing off teddy bears of all shapes and sizes—from tiny pocket pals to giant cuddly giants. They danced to teddy tunes, twirling and giggling in a fluffy parade around the hall. They munched on treats like cookies and chips, sharing bites and stories with new friends. Laughter echoed everywhere as we hugged, played teddy-themed games, and kicked off the school year with cuddly fun! – **Raghav Gupta**, VI-SUN



## Earth Day Pledge:

Our little superheroes at Little Steps took the #EarthDayPledge, vowing to protect our planet with small steps like planting trees, reducing plastic, and saving water every day! Dressed in green capes and masks, they gathered under the sunny sky, raising their hands in a powerful promise to be Earth's guardians. They rocked a fun Nukkad Natak street play, spreading awareness on saving Mother Earth through catchy songs, energetic dances, and powerful messages about recycling and loving nature. The audience clapped and cheered as our tiny performers delivered lines like "Go green or go home!" with big smiles and even bigger hearts. Tiny voices, BIG impact—watching them inspire parents and passersby was magical! Proud of our green champions! – **Rakshit Sonkar**, VII-MOON



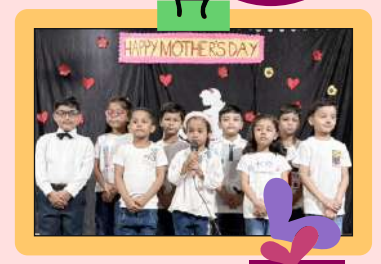
## Heartwarming Mother's Day Fiesta At School:



Our school celebrated Mother's Day with immense joy and creativity, honoring the super moms who light up our lives! Mothers dazzled on a vibrant ramp walk, showcasing their style and grace amid cheers from proud kids and staff. The excitement ramped up with lively games—musical chairs, sack races, and team relays—that sparked laughter and bonding across families.

The highlight? A no-fire cooking competition where moms whipped up delicious treats like salads, sandwiches, and smoothies using fresh ingredients. Tasting sessions were a hit, with everyone savoring the love-infused delights!

A big thank you to all participating mothers for making it unforgettable. Here's to celebrating you every day! – **Abhishek Gupta**, VII-SUN



## Kids Corner:

### The Timeless Treasure: A Symphony of Stories

I love storybooks  
With different looks  
Reading books around the clock  
To hit the jackpot  
If you're at your wits' end  
Then make books your friend  
They will never be old  
Because old is real gold  
Emotions, nature, experience, imagination  
All these make a book  
I love storybooks  
Of music and cooks  
Getting all the lyrics of love and joy  
Getting all the recipes for delicious food  
Just try  
Inside a book, there are emotions behind  
The authors' pain expressed through lines  
I love storybooks  
While giving them a look  
Sci-fi, mystery, treasure hunt  
Together is so much fun  
Different chapters in the book  
Different chapters in life  
Both are colourful and bright  
I love storybooks  
I also want you to give them a look.  
– **Shristi Agarwal**, VIII-MOON



### The Magic of Literature: A Portable Escape and Life Guide

I seriously think literature is the absolute best because it's basically a teleportation machine. Whenever the mystery and drama of 8th grade get to be too much-like trying to figure out the weird gossip in the back row or surviving a boring double-period-I can just open a book and escape. I'm not stuck at my desk anymore; I'm surviving the arena in The Hunger Games or fighting mythical monsters alongside Percy Jackson. Reading helps me understand how other people feel, which makes dealing with middle school drama easier and makes us more empathetic. Plus, it helps me learn epic new words and figure out how to express my own ideas when I'm trying to prove a point. Even if a story is totally made up, the lessons about bravery and loyalty are completely real. Without books like Harry Potter or The Giver, life would be incredibly dull. Literature lets us live a thousand different lives, and honestly, that's just pure magic.  
– **Manash Kumar**, VIII-MOON



### Beyond the Page: Why Literature Matters

Literature is often referred to as the "voice of its time," a living record of humanity's struggles, dreams, and triumphs. But what is it, exactly? It is more than just ink on paper; it is the art of capturing the human experience through a creative lens. As the timeless adage goes, "The pen is mightier than the sword." This reminds us that while force can change a border, words can change a mind. Great literature offers us a unique blend of history, wisdom, and imagination, acting as a bridge between generations. It allows us to step into someone else's shoes, teaching us empathy and truth. Whether it was written centuries ago or just yesterday, literature remains our most powerful tool for connection.  
– **Naman Pratap**, VII-SUN



### The Infinite Voyage:

A silent world within a palm,  
A frantic storm, a sudden calm.  
Between the boards of glue and thread,  
Are lives that I have also led.

No dusty shelf can hold the fire,  
Of paper wings and heart's desire.  
The ink is old, the scent is sweet,  
The only place where spirits meet.

I lose the day, I find my soul,  
Within the parts that make me whole.  
For every page I slowly turn,  
Is one more way to live and learn.

– **Aradhya Awasthi**, VIII-SUN



### Books in Focus:

**Nur-K2**

#### The Magic Drum and Other Favourite Stories by Sudha Murty:

A collection of Indian folktales teaching morals through simple, cultural narratives.

#### Charlotte's Web - E. B. White

The core moral of Charlotte's Web is that true friendship is immeasurably valuable and selfless, often involving sacrifice to help others. It highlights that loyalty, compassion, and acts of love can transform lives.

**Grade 1-8**

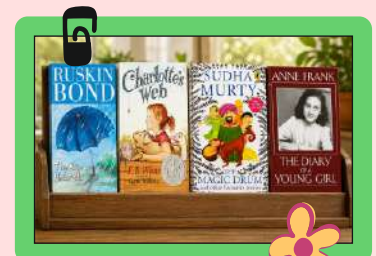
#### The Blue Umbrella – Ruskin Bond

The moral of "The Blue Umbrella" is that true happiness and contentment come from kindness, generosity, and human connection rather than material possessions.

#### The Diary of a Young Girl -Anne Frank

Anne Frank teaches that hope, humanity, and resilience can endure even in the darkest times. Despite extreme fear and confinement, the core moral is to maintain a positive outlook, find joy in small things, and hold onto the belief that people are good at heart.

– **Mohd. Jamal**, VII-MOON



### Young Achiever:



The Nexus of Brilliant Minds organized the Dr. Badri Narayan Tiwari Memorial One-Day Rapid Chess Tournament, recognized by the Kanpur Chess Association, at Maharashtra Bhawan Mandal, Khalasi Line. The tournament featured 188 players competing across a total of 14 categories in the Open and Girls sections, showcasing their talent. We are thrilled and immensely proud to announce that Vedansh Sharma from Grade IV at our branch has shone brightly, clinching the prestigious Gold Medal in the fiercely competitive Under-9 category! His exceptional skill, unwavering focus, and strategic brilliance on the chessboard have truly made us all beam with pride. Congratulations, Vedansh, on this remarkable accomplishment! Keep inspiring us all with your champion spirit! – **Shashwat Mishra**, VII-SUN

