



Executive Headlines from around the world!

February 14, 2021
Muscat, Oman.

1. Expatriates using Oman as interim transit point to reach Saudi Arabia.
2. Covaxin trials for kids likely soon in Nagpur, Bharat Biotec awaits nod.
3. Biden Bars Trump From Receiving Intelligence Briefings, Citing 'Erratic Behavior'.
4. Boris Johnson rallies behind Britain's youth and vows not to let Covid ruin their dreams.
5. China's largest land port Manzhouli, sees rising number of China-Europe freight trains.

Mohamad Afnan Khan,
Journalist, International News,
Times of ISWki

Myanmar under military coup!

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The Myanmar coup began on 1st February, 2021 when the National League of Democracy was deposed by Tatmadaw, Myanmar's military who demanded power, the situation continues to be delicate involving more nations.

Myanmar President Win Myint was detained on Monday, 3rd February as the military seized the levers of government granting army chief Min Aung Hlaing control of the country this was followed by the arrest of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi.

Despite total internet blackouts there were a lot of protests from many civilians the biggest one included 3000 people next to Yangon University which ended up being stopped by the police.



UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres raised great concern over the recent developments in Myanmar, "he urges all to adhere to democratic norms and respect the outcome of the election. Similar views were expressed by the US embassy along with 16 countries including formal colonial power Britain and the EU delegation released a statement for the military to adhere to democratic norms." We hope the situation goes into the favour of civilians who want to protect their Democracy.

Kamal Kandukuri,
Journalist, International News,
ISWki, The DICE.

In more ways than one...

February 13, 2021
Muscat, Oman.

You can't see love, but you can feel it. This pink-hued wind billows around the word. We might celebrate it as Valentine's Day, but this infamous celebration has cousins all over the globe! Since we can't visit these places, let me take you around the world!



Our first stop is **Argentina!** They celebrate Valentine's Day, they also allot a whole week in July to celebrate love. As if this couldn't get any sweeter, Argentineans exchange sugary confections for kisses during this week.

Next stop is **Finland.** The Finns put a little twist and often celebrate friendship on February 14th during a festival called "Sobrapaev" which means "Friendship Day".

If you've ever eaten a chocolate, chances are that you know **Ghana** celebrates "National chocolate day" on February 14th. Ghanaians like to enjoy by indulging in special themed menus, exhibitions and much more. Now this sounds like a real celebration!

In most countries, women are the recipients of serenades, chocolates and flowers on February 14th, but in **Japan**, it's the men who get showered with gifts, chocolates and much more. The favour is then returned on March 14th, where the women receive gifts and chocolates.

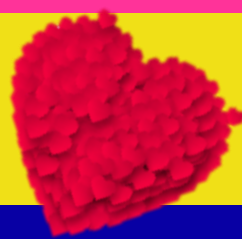
Looks like we've landed in **South Africa!** Women celebrate by pinning their love interests' name on their sleeve. It is believed that this custom was derived from an ancient roman practise called "Lupercalia" Have you ever heard of the saying "wearing your heart on your sleeve"? Well now you know where it comes from.

France is synonymous with many things; but the most popular one is love. There's even a city names after the patron saint of love- St. Valentine. This picturesque city is transformed into a whirlwind of roses, marriage proposals, hearts and chocolates to celebrate Valentines' Day.

Love is something that's shared between friends, siblings, lovers, parents, grandparents and so many more people. Take advantage of this special day to show someone how much you love and appreciate them. It can even be you! Treat yourself to some chocolates or a movie night just to remind you that you are worthy of love and deserve this day just as much as anyone else.



Nandini Joshi,
Journalist – Global Cultures,
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When experts share life lessons about Love!

February 9, 2021
Muscat, Oman.

We invite Guest speakers across various countries to share their life views and words of wisdom with the ISWki family.

INDIA



Mr. N S Iyer

HR Specialist,
Mgt. Professor
for HR and
Labour laws &
Philanthropist

GHANA



Ms. Gertrude Jones

Sr. Operations
Administrator (Gov.)
& Home maker

BRUNEI



Ms. Hanisah Salleh

Fashion Designer,
Photographer &
Home maker

UNITED STATES



Dr. Varsha Pohuja

DPT MHA,
Seaview
Orthopaedics

SWITZERLAND



Ms. Darija Barrech

Group Chief HR
Officer,
Entrepreneur &
Home maker

SOUTH AFRICA



Mr. Anthony Millward

IBO Education
Consultant Int', DP
Examiner and Ex-
Principal of schools

Q1) Please share 4 individual words only to express what love means to you?

Mr. Iyer - Tenderness, Vulnerability, Care, Devotion.

Ms. Jones - Kindness, Patience, Forgiveness, Sacrifice.

Ms. Salleh - Trust, Warmth, Contentment, Peace.

Dr. Pohuja - Happiness, Peace of mind, Stability, Self-love.

Ms. Barrech - Trust, Passion, Humor, Connection.

Mr. Millward - Caring, Thoughtful, Honest, Supportive.

Q2) How do you know you are in love?

Mr. Iyer - Look at the eyes.

Ms. Jones - When you think of the other person very often.

Ms. Salleh - I believe the feeling changes as you grow older and have more experience with love. When I was younger, it was excitement and butterflies in my stomach. Now it feels like a warm chocolate drink on a cold snowy night in front of a fireplace- its warm and comforting.

Dr. Pohuja - When someone or something always brings a smile to your face- you know you are "in love".

Ms. Barrech - Your heart tells you ;) I was sooo nervous, I could not eat :).

Mr. Millward - I think it is different for every person, but i think in general it means when you are thinking a lot about someone else and feel very strong emotions of caring and respect for them - even when you don't agree.

Q3) What 3 things do you love the most? (Humans, animals, things)

Mr. Iyer - Human beings, Mountains, Vast sea.

Ms. Jones - My two children and my grandmother.

Ms. Salleh - My family, my parents, my friends. (Does coffee count? I love my coffee machine ☺).

Dr. Pohuja - I , Me, Myself ☺ - self - love.

Ms. Barrech - Humans, nature, myself, my family.

Mr. Millward - Animals, family, friends.

Q4) Do you think love changes the world, if Yes please explain how?

Mr. Iyer - Love is non-duality meaning just one. Yet appreciate and respect the difference in the other. If that happened in our world, will not this world be a transformed one.

Ms. Jones - Yes, It takes away fear and makes the world a more secured place.

Ms. Salleh - Yes, I do. Love is also about caring about each other. If we care more towards others, we could help each other better.

Dr. Pohuja - I haven't thought about the world. Very self involved.

Ms. Barrech - Love = satisfaction with yourself and with others - that in return makes you more patient and tolerant

Mr. Millward - It can change the way people understand things, perceive the world around them and how they behave if they can develop both understanding and caring for other people or animals.

Q5) What aspects of love do you think young people need to work on?

Mr. Iyer - Dropping one's significance and the ego. Total acceptance without judgment. Understand humaneness and that another heart is beating.

Ms. Jones - Patience.

Ms. Salleh - To understand the realities of love, media and the movies have portrayed it in an unrealistic fairy tale manner. If you want to understand what love is truly about, talk to those who have been happily married for a very long time, like your grandparents.

Ms. Pohuja - Being truthful and honest to themselves and then others.

Ms. Barrech - Listen to your heart and body - it is almost always right!

Mr. Millward - Focus on the well being and happiness of others through direct communication and contact and not through social media which can change the way people understand each other.

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Student Editor,
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Aryan Joshi,
Baker,
ISWki, The DICE.



Mannath Ajmani,
Baker,
ISWki, The DICE.

Life's
TOO SHORT
TO SAY NO TO
cake

Blessy Anna Thomson,
Baker,
ISWki, The DICE.

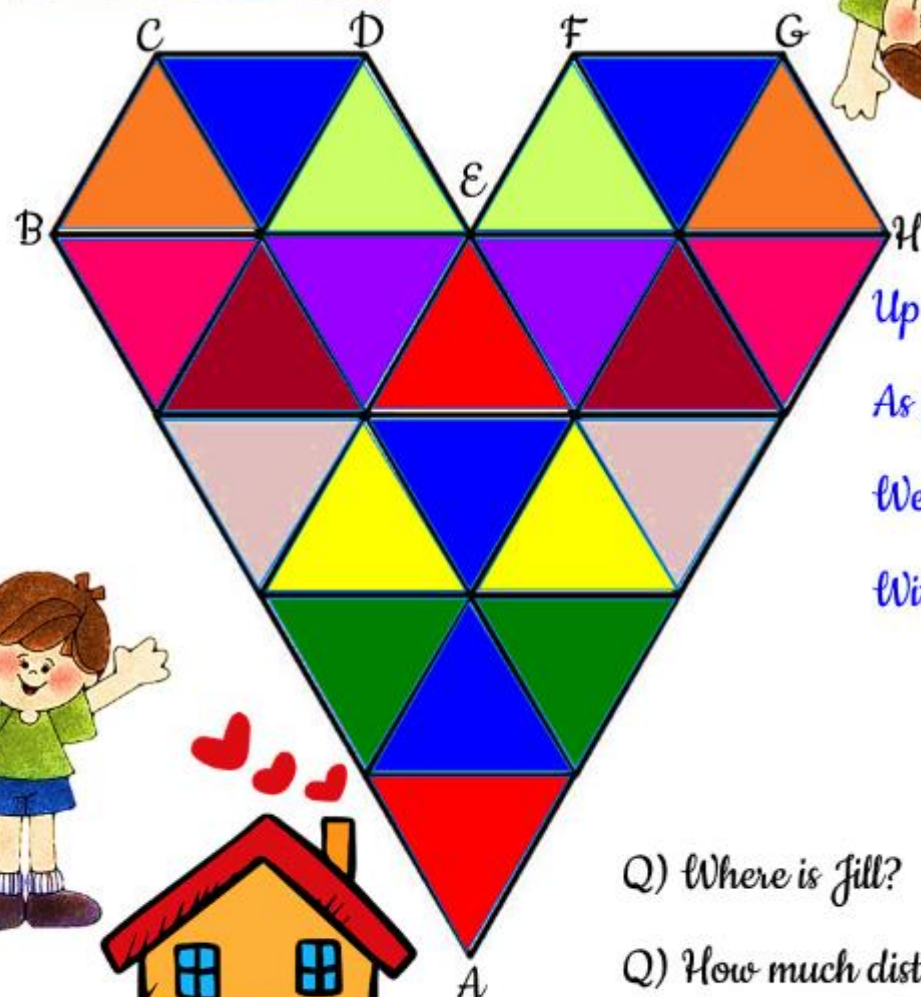


Ria R Thakkar,
Baker,
ISWki, The DICE.

Jack and Jill




Jack and Jill went up the
hill to fetch a pail of water
- from point A to point D
Jack fell down and broke
his crown and Jill came
tumbling after - to point E

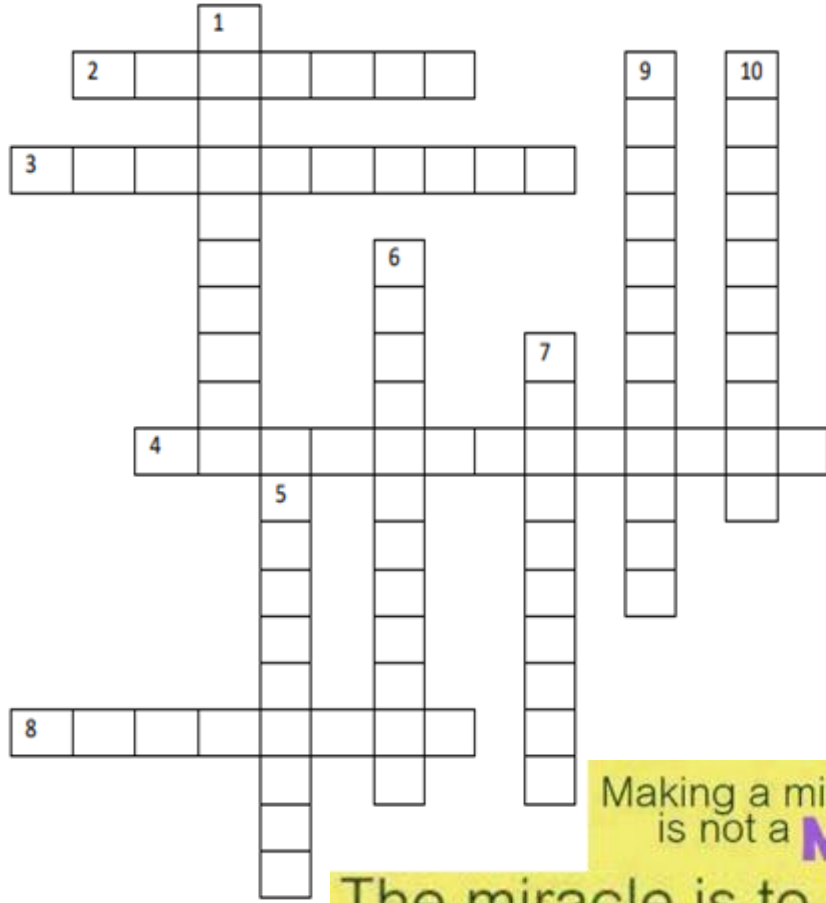


Up Jack got and home did trot,
As fast as he could caper, via point F
Went to bed to mend his head,
With vinegar and brown paper.



Each side of
a  is 1 mtr

- Q) Where is Jill?
- Q) How much distance did Jack cover that day?
- Q) How many triangles are there in the heart?



out of the
BOX



- Down 1: The state of being friends.
- Across 2: Devotion to an object.
- Across 3: A professional learning experience for a student.
- Across 4: fair behavior in sporting contests.
- Down 5: The right of possessing something.
- Down 6: The way in which 2 or more people or things are connected.
- Down 7: The position of being a leader of a group.
- Across 8: A new area being developed for residential or industrial purposes.
- Down 9: The title of best team in a sport.
- Down 10: Being a part of a group or organization.

Making a million friends
is not a **Miracle.**
The miracle is to make
A Friend
who will stand by you
when millions
are against you...

Sivani Rajesh,
Crossword Enthusiast,
ISWki, The DICE.

Trushant and Rancho



LOVE IS LOVE
LOVE IS LOVE



Love Nature



Palak and her Garden



Harshita and Snowy



LOVE IS LOVE
LOVE IS LOVE



Young Poet's Corner

Beautiful Nature

Oh Nature, Oh Nature,
How can I be grateful to you?

Your air is fresh,
Your trees are Green.

Your sun is shiny,
How can I present your beauty?

Oh Nature, Oh Nature,
How can I be grateful to you?

You give me food,
You give me a house.

Your fragrant flowers,
Your happy animals.

Oh Nature, Oh Nature,
How can I be grateful to you?

Daniel Fady Awadallah,
Poet,
ISWki, The DICE.



Water Cycle

Water from the lakes & streams flows downwards
Finding its path as streams and rivers as it move forwards
Nothing can stop as it continues its journey
to merge into sea & oceans.

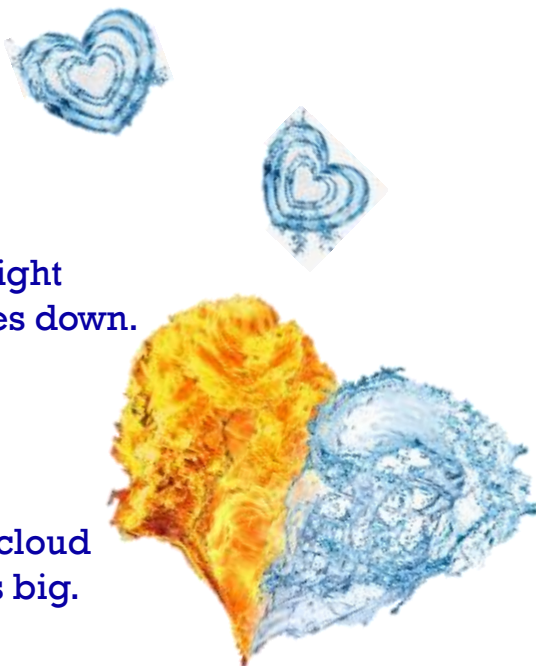
Water in the sea
Sometime to the shore
Sometime to the deep sea
Dancing with the waves
Sometimes left, sometimes right
Sometimes up and sometimes down.

Then comes the mighty sun,
making things hot
Water rises to greet the sun
Evaporating up to form into cloud
sometimes small, sometimes big.

Then come the mighty wind
Blowing & taking the clouds to its journey forward
Water falls as rains on the surface
which is called precipitation.

Water starts the journey again
The journey continues forever and forever.

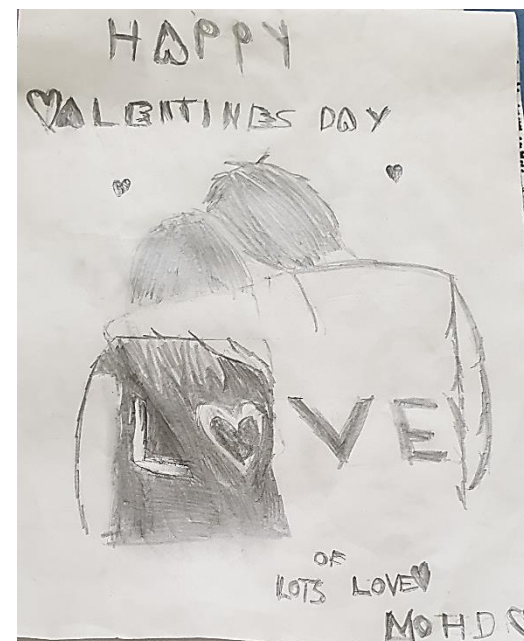
Gautam Kanth,
Poet,
ISWki, The DICE.



Back Home

A gigantic thunder storm hit the ocean
And getting out of it was our mission
Sixth of June, my parents anniversary
Was officially ruined
Here's what happened
We were traveling to islands on a speedboat
Dad and his friend went snorkeling
Away from the boat
It started to rain
And the boat went away
I started to cry
But dad and his friend came back in their own way
I started to feel cold
So I got a life jacket
My eyes were wet and so were our cloths
How will we get back home
Since we were far from it
The question rang in my head
As I asked mom about it
She said we will be back home shortly
But I did not listen
Instead, I looked out of the window
I saw lighting hit the ocean
As we drove away
We told the captain to take us back to our island
But instead, he took us to bamboo island
We said no, no, no
Take us back to phi phi island
An hour passed but still no sign by but suddenly
The sun came by
And it shined so bright
I went to the front deck
And saw that we were close to home
As the waves to us back to it
And we reached home safely and happily
With each one and other .

Tanisha Gattani,
Poet,
ISWki, The DICE.



Mohammed Chudawala,
Artist,
ISWki, The DICE.



In old times people used to draw on cave walls, then send Morse code during war, then they followed it by the telegram. They had to think and be careful about the words they use to convey the message. But now a days we use emoji's freely and as many as we want. Sometimes we don't think about it. The emoji code here restricts the use of emojis. We want you to think how you can communicate with your buddy if the message was restricted. You can use only 4 emojis to convey a message. Have fun decoding the messages!

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Purab 10C 😎 🐱 🧑 🖥️ Arya 10C

Madeeha 11C 👍 🙌 ❤️ 🤔 Husain 11C

Vaishant 10C 😎 😊 🤝 😊 Atharva 10C

Aditya 11C ⚡ 🌟 🔨 🦋 Neil 11C

Neysa 10C ❤️ 😊 🤝 😊 Mehfuza 10C

Krish 9C 😂 😊 😊 🧑 Saniya 9C

Anne Rose 9D 😊 ❤️ ✨ 🧑 Elisha 9D

Atharv 9C 🤢 🧑 🧑 🤖 Nandan 9C

Adwaith 9D 🧑 😊 🙌 ✨ Rohan 9D

IT'S THE FRIENDS WE MEET along THE WAY THAT HELP US APPRECIATE THE journey



I wish that you were **HERE** or that I were **THERE** or that we were together **ANYWHERE!**

Imaan 7C 😊 😎 🕒 😂 Shurti 7C

Marc 7C 😂 🤔 😊 🕒 Taha 7C

Jinay 7D 🤔 🕒 🏠 🏃 Nirvaan 7D

Prisha 6C 😊 😊 😂 😊 Lamiyah 6C

Cailyn 7D 🧑 😊 🧑 🗣️ Angelina 7D

Dareen 6C 😊 😊 😂 😊 Gritha 6C

Joshua 6D 🌿 😊 😊 😊 Ahmed 6D

Akshitha 6C 😊 😂 😂 🤔 Aarya 6C

Dev 6D ⚽ 🙌 😂 🇮🇳 Mann 6D

Rashi 5C 😊 🤔 👍 😊 Aarav 5C

Rahil 6D ⚽ 😊 😊 🗣️ Shlok 6D

Rishika 5C 😊 😊 😊 ❤️ Vaanya 5C

Thanya 5D 😊 😊 🧑 😊 Shaenne 5D

Twisha 5C 😊 😎 ❤️ 😊 Mishka 5C

Aarya 5D 🤔 🤔 🤔 😊 Shannayah 5D

Pratiksha 5I 🧑 😊 🍕 😊 Dhavamani 5I

Daniel 5D 🧑 😎 👍 🧑 Nour 5D

Ali 5I 🧑 👍 😊 🧑 Omar 5I

Ritwik 4C 😊 🌲 🙌 😊 Ayaan 4C

Keisha 5I 🧑 💡 🎵 😊 Ziana 5I

Ayush 4D 😊 😎 🙌 🤔 Aathman 4D

Neeraj 5I 🙌 😊 👍 🧑 Rayan 5I

Zaina 4I 😊 😎 🦊 🦊 Taneesha 4I



LOVE

Your self first

No love is better than self love. Only if we can love ourselves can we love all those around us – our parents, our family, our friends, our teachers and even find a way to forgive those who do not treat us respectfully. Respect is applicable to self, people of all ages, to animals and nature too! Go through some of the easy tips below to make sure you are not stressed in life.... And it's OK to ask for HELP.

10 WAYS TO PRACTICE self-love

@POSITIVELYPRESENT

- DON'T SETTLE FOR LESS
- DISCOVER WHO YOU ARE
- FORGIVE YOURSELF
- FOCUS ON THE POSITIVE
- BE HONEST WITH YOURSELF
- ACCEPT WHERE YOU ARE
- TAKE CARE OF YOUR BODY & MIND
- BE OPEN TO CHANGE
- TRY NOT TO COMPARE
- SEEK OUT INSPIRATION

FEELINGS CHECK-IN

I feel...	I need to...
Overwhelmed	Take a step back
Stressed	Focus on relaxing
Anxious	Practice coping skills
Sad	Be loving to myself
Angry	Find a positive outlet
Drained	Rest and recharge
Broken	Self-compassion
Upset	Take time for myself
Alone	Reach out for support

BlessingManifesting



Indian School Wadi Kabir

Cambridge International School



Congratulations!

Team ISWki is proud of its learners who got a meritorious result in their Cambridge IGCSE November 2020 examinations. Despite the school closure in March 2020, the group of young learners of ISWki successfully managed their virtual learning and brought laurels to the school with an outstanding result.

The first batch of IGCSE learners have set up a high benchmark for their juniors with 7 A*, 18 A and 18 B's in their IGCSE examinations. Team ISWki is proud of them.

Principal, Mr D.N. Rao and the School Management Committee recognise the unconditional support and efforts extended by the Educators, Staff and Parents who made this success possible.

We wish them more success in their academic journey.



Our beloved teachers bring magic to the classroom and help create a new world for us to be curious and engage our minds with new topics across subjects. Given the fact that we take up so much of their energy, this must be taking a toll on them and every super teacher needs their favorite things in life to get them through a roller coaster day at school... Teachers have channeled their inner Julie Andrews from the movie *Sound of Music* and are sharing with us their **Favorite Thing**. So let's peek into their world of fun!

I am very fond of any form of Arts whether it is visual or performing. In particular, I am very close to Music, whether it is Western or Classical. I think, it brings me closer to my heart and my inner voice resonates with the echo of any form of music, helping me to come back to me. In the daily chaos of events, I find an "Order in Disorder" when I listen to music. I am made up of the same particles which constitute this whole Universe.



The basic elements vibrate within me, find a pattern, come back to the originality when music enters my soul.

Mr. Sanjay Tiwari
Principal,
ISWki.



My one favorite thing – Reading.
Helps me to de-stress.

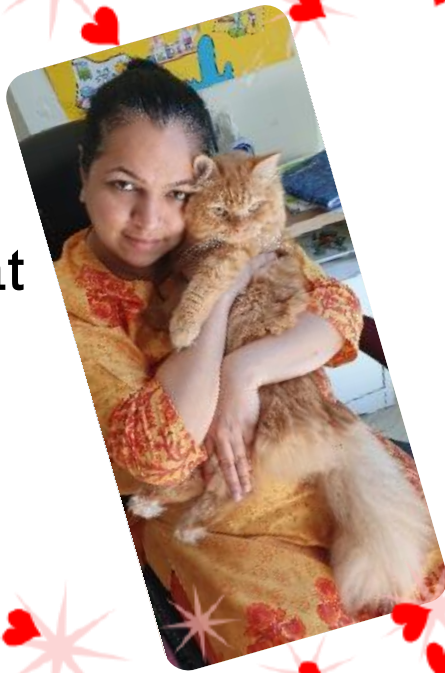
Ms. Rashmi Patankar,
Educator, ISWki.



A Few of my Favorite Things

I love my cat
Kittu!

Ms. Mariyah Khan,
Educator, ISWki.



When I am not working, I am playing. I am a licensed parasailing and a paramotor pilot.

Mr. Nazim Qureshi,
Vice Principal,
ISWki.



I love being close to nature, specially water. That is my happy space.

Ms. Aeman Khan,
Educator, ISWki.



Dear teacher,
You take care of everyone else. Make sure to also take care of yourself.





Baking is my way of relaxing and unwinding. Baking and creating pastries have always been a synonym of love and care for me. I bake and cook for others, that is how I show my affection. Baking makes me happy and baked goods make everyone happy. Spreading joy is immensely powerful. Each time I bake, I feel a spark of joy in my soul. It feel like I can make magic from it. I have other hobbies, no doubt, but none can compare to my love for baking.

Ms. Avni Ved,
Educator, ISWki.

love
GROWS
here

I love reading and listening
to great thinkers and
philosophical leader.

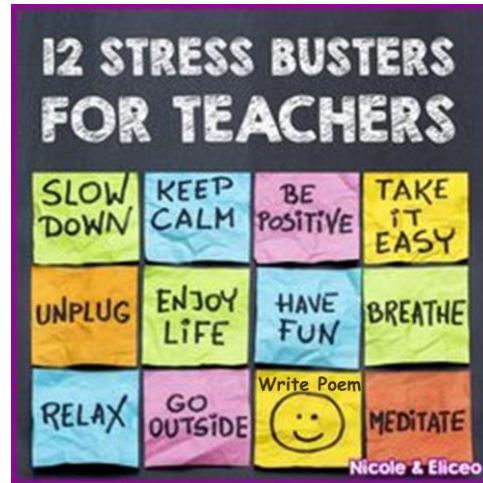


Mr. Shreesh Misra,
Educator & Poet,
ISWki.

these are a few of my FAVORITE THINGS

Healthy Body & Balanced Mind!

During this Pandemic period and Online teaching, most of the energy I preserves by the So called Breakfast. As the name suggests **breakfast** breaks the overnight fasting period. It replenishes your supply of glucose to boost your energy levels and alertness, while also providing other essential nutrients required for good health.



I make sure that every day before 7 am to have my breakfast without fail. So I keep my body healthy and my mind balanced for the entire day. One more secret is that, I Love cooking! Not an Expensive Hobby which I started from my childhood.

Mr. John Kurian,
Educator, ISWki.



खुशी

यह मन की बात है
कुछ हमारे लिए खास है
हर पल जो हमें गुदगुदाती है
खुशी वही प्यारा सा एहसास है ।।

कभी यह माँ का प्यारा सा आँचल है
कभी पिता का दुलार है
हाँ भाई की डाँट में भी छिपी है
यह बहन के प्यार की बारीक डोर है

साथ रहने का नाम ही है खुशी
मिल कर आगे बढ़ने में ही झंकार है
देखो तो हर कहीं है खुशी
पा लो तो पूरा यही पूरा संसार है ।



I love running
and gymming.



Le Souvenir

J'ai voulu ce matin te rapporter des roses;
Mais j'en avais tant pris dans mes ceintures closes
Que les noeuds trop serrés n'ont pu les contenir.

Les noeuds ont éclaté. Les roses ont envolées
Dans le vent, à la mer s'en sont toutes allées.
Elles ont suivi l'eau pour ne plus revenir.

La vague en a paru rouge et comme enflammée.
Ce soir, ma robe encore en est toute embaumée...
Respires-en sur moi l'odorant souvenir.

Mr. Gaurav Yadav,
Educator & Poet,
ISWki.





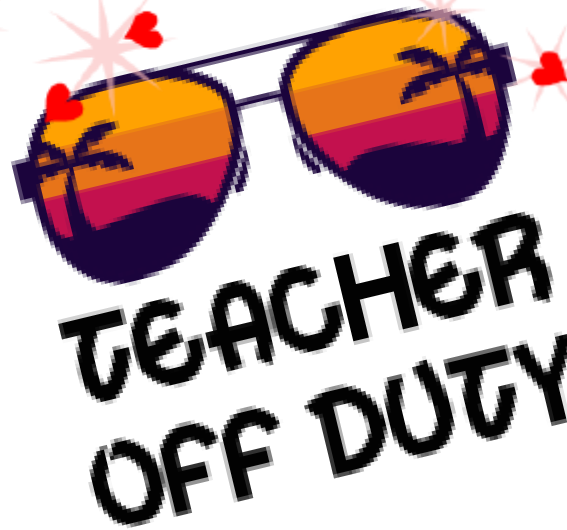
Exploring new worlds in mysterious books,
Cups of cold coffee in cozy nooks.
Podcasts and pinterest for ideas of somethings,
These are a few of my favourite things.

One of my favourite things to do when I have some spare time is to curl up on the sofa with my chai and a book. My favourite genres are biographies and productivity-based books, but if I do find a good fiction story, I am not opposed to reading it. Due to my profession as a teacher, I also read a lot of children's stories to kick-start the process of coming up with innovative ideas that can make children more engaged in school. A book that I would definitely recommend to anyone is 'Not Without My Daughter' by Betty Mahmoody. It is a true narration by the American author of her time in Iran with her Iranian husband.

Ms. Misbah Fatima Hussain,
Educator, ISWki.

Ms. Deepika Sethi,
Educator, ISWki.

One of my most favorite things would be to be one with nature! Especially at the beach where u can literally get your free natural pedicure!



Ms. Gayathri Menon,
Educator, ISWki.



I love fashion designing in my free time!

Born and brought up in the foothills of Himalayas, Mother nature has always attracted me since my childhood. I love to trek and camp. To be in the lap of nature gives me immense happiness and peace.

Ms. Manju Yadav,
Educator, ISWki.

Mr. Praveen Uniyal,
Educator, ISWki.

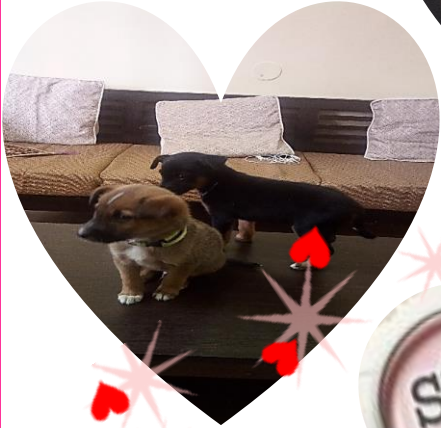
THESE ARE A FEW OF MY FAVORITE THINGS

Is there more
than one
type of love?

Sometimes you will never know
the value of a moment until it
becomes a *Memory!*

These are my valentines. I rescued them 2 years ago in the dead of winter- freezing to death, hungry and orphaned. Brought home, they were bathed, warmed and fed. They showered so much love on me - cheered me up on days I felt blue, gave me companionship on days I felt lonely. Though, not dogs with a fancy pedigree, the wordless communication was what made me love them to bits.

Ms. Parul Talita Singh,
Educator, ISWki.



On a cold winter evening sitting in a cozy blanket, close to the fireplace, reading a good book, drinking hot chocolate with my family around is my favorite thing.

Ms. Chhavi Mohaley,
Educator, ISWki.



She is my valentine. And my favourite thing is to talk to her (kinda gossip with her about everything what's going around the world , politics, especially films 😊😊😊

Ms. Yashswika Shukla,
Educator, ISWki.



L is for 'laughter' we had along the way.
O is for 'optimism' you gave me every day.
V is for 'value' of being my best friend.
E is for 'eternity,' a love that has no end.

These are a few
of my
**FAVORITE
THINGS**

I love to embellish my surroundings and this brings out the creative side in me. This gives me immense joy.

Ms. Persis Munigety,
Educator, ISWki.



Listening to gospel songs and travelling are my favorite things to do. An Aerial view of Maldives has impressed me a lot.

Ms. Sophia Vincent,
Educator, ISWki.

Please find my ♥

Her name was Chuchu...yes she was a sparrow. A sparrow who was thrown out of her nest as she was very badly unwell. It was my son Aaron who brought her home. She grew so well with us. So lovable and loving. And that's how she loved to be fed. She left us all with tears in our eyes for many days. Yes I can say it was a true love.....

Ms. Dalia Neville,
Educator, ISWki.



Laugh every day,
Love beyond words.



I absolutely **love** spending time with my family.

Valentine

*My love for you grows everyday,
Whether it is June or May,
In whatever you do or say.*



*I love you from the bottom of my heart
Right from the very start,
So your name is always on the love chart.*

*You are my desire,
And you set me on fire,
I am always your admirer.*

*I know you are mine.
Then why not be my valentine?*

Ms. Priti Babaria,
Educator & Poet,
ISWKi.



I love traveling and experiencing different locations and cultures.

Mr. Muneer Mohammed,
Educator, ISWKi.



I love Music

Mr. Bikram Mishra,
Educator, ISWKi.



LOVE ART

Mr. Suresh Kumar,
Educator, ISWKi.



I love going on long drives and exploring new places.

Mr. Rajesh Nambi,
Educator, ISWKi.

Bookmarks have always helped build various relationships. They are like friendships, because they help us to continue from where we stopped.

Some were also used as love notes and shared them between books. These wonderful strips can also be gifted to our loved ones to express our love and gratitude.

Bookmarks are a warm reminder we give ourselves about humour, love, hope and motivation.

Enjoy the bespoke bookmarks from our wonderful artists, be inspired to create your own or print some out for yourself and enjoy reading.



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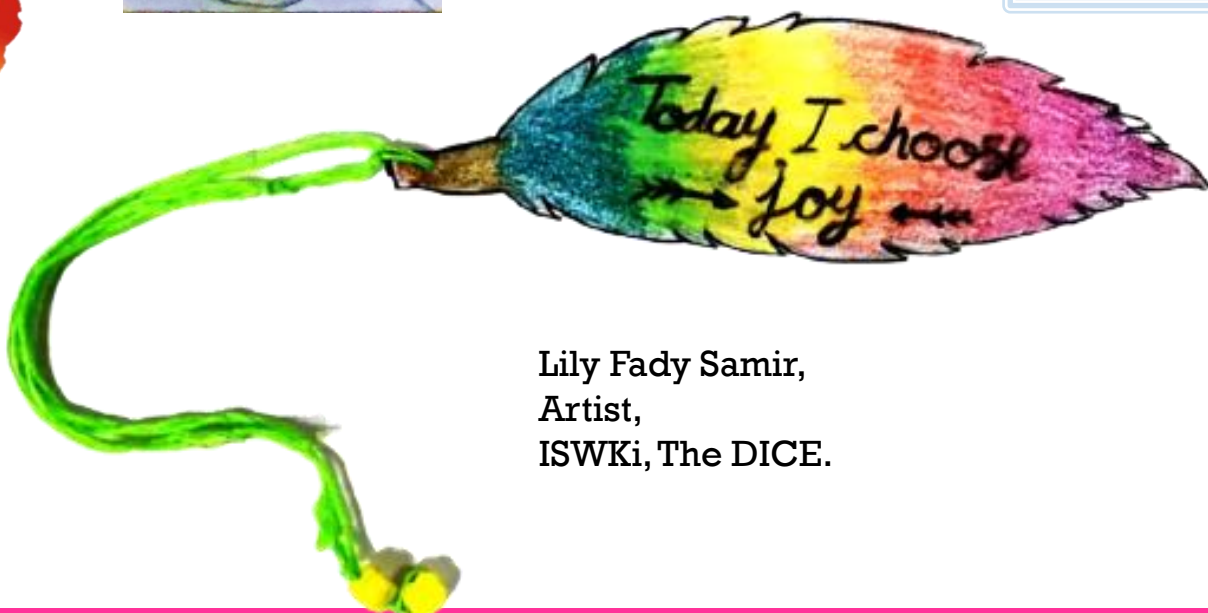
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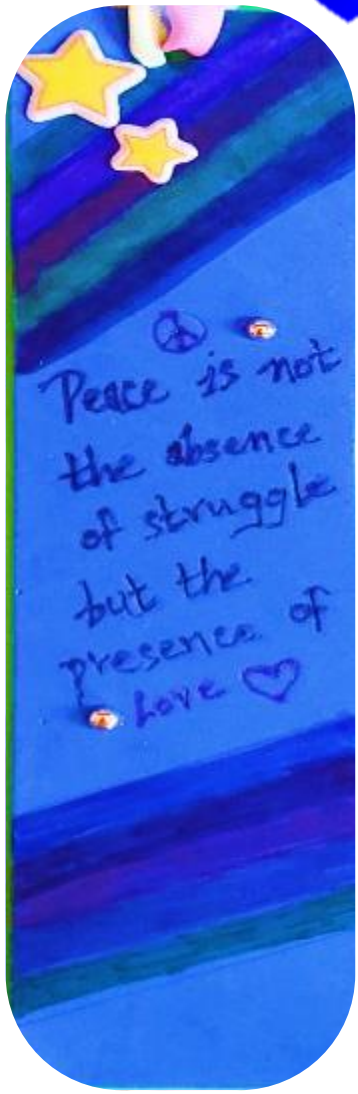


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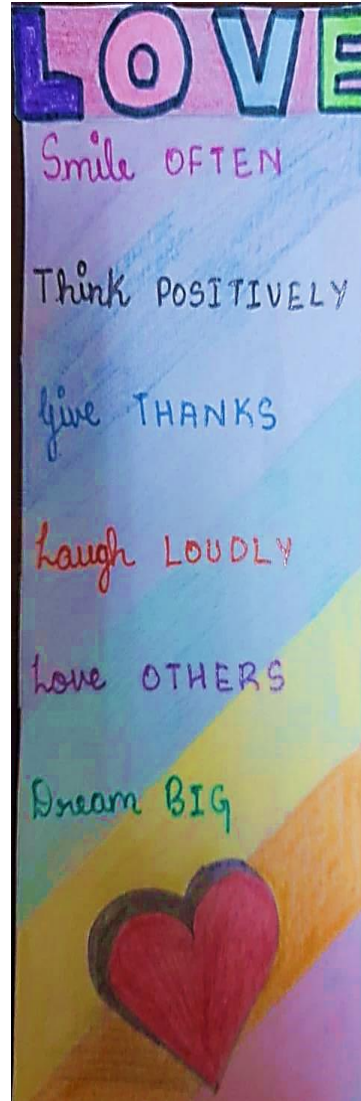




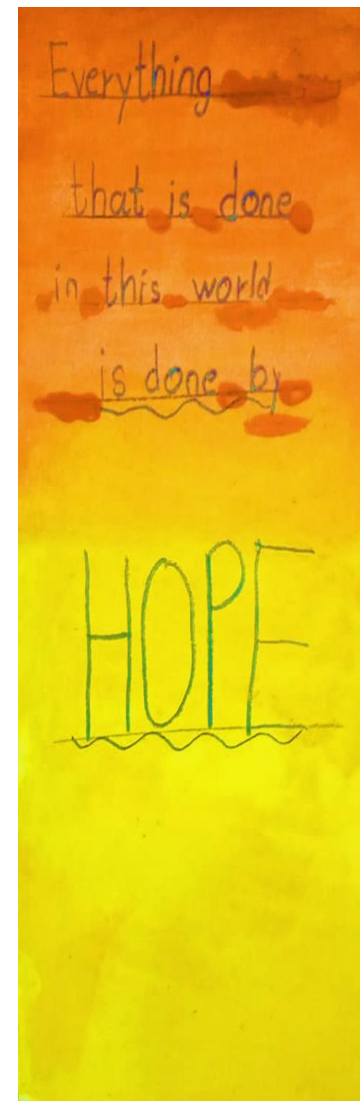
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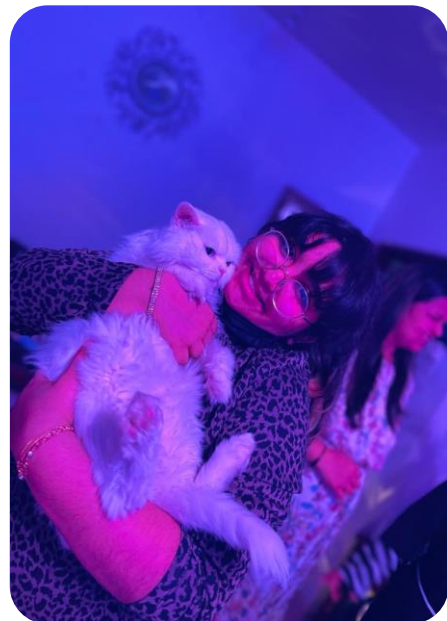
Covid is our reset button

February 9, 2021
Muscat, Oman.

During this pandemic, several things halted like the borders, shipments across ports and perhaps the whole economy! Yet, one very essential and particular element of this wonderful civilization grew. It was LOVE.

The coronavirus bought multiple challenges along, but one thing for sure, it broke our materialistic cycle, forced us and encouraged us to devote our time to our loved ones. It brought the members of the household together, even minus their social media and made each one value the real relationships they have.

Interestingly enough, even with challenges we found a way to be closer while maintaining social distancing. Reported a while ago, a family in Louisiana built their own "hug curtain" through which they hugged their dear and missed ones. I guess the saying that "you always find a way with love" is true!!



But this love wasn't only limited between families but with pets and even nature! I, myself grew attached to my cat, my sister! We spend every moment at home together!!

Just like me, many people found love and grew as an individual, cherishing themselves and their surroundings. I wholeheartedly hope that this valentine brings us even more closer.

Bhumika Sham Jagtiani,
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Scientific Advancement

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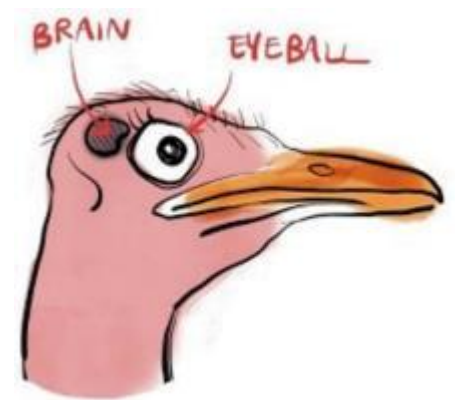
New scientific discoveries, and technological advances have made our life easier in the 21st century. Tesla which is led by Elon Musk are the innovating pioneers in the space exploration and automobile industry.



Tesla's innovation hub is based out of California where the autopilot concept as a life saving technology was conceived as an idea, then proceeded with augmented simulation and finally rolled out into real life. There are currently 1,400 autopilot cars, in the middle east.

WEIRD FACTS

- 1) You're going to be taller in the morning.
- 2) A crocodile cannot stick its tongue out.
- 3) A shrimp's heart is in its head.
- 4) It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky.
- 5) An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.
- 6) The "sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick" is believed to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.
- 7) Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different.
- 8) You fart on average 14 times a day, and each fart travels from your body at 7 mph.
- 9) Snails take the longest naps with some lasting as long as three years.



Maayank Misra,
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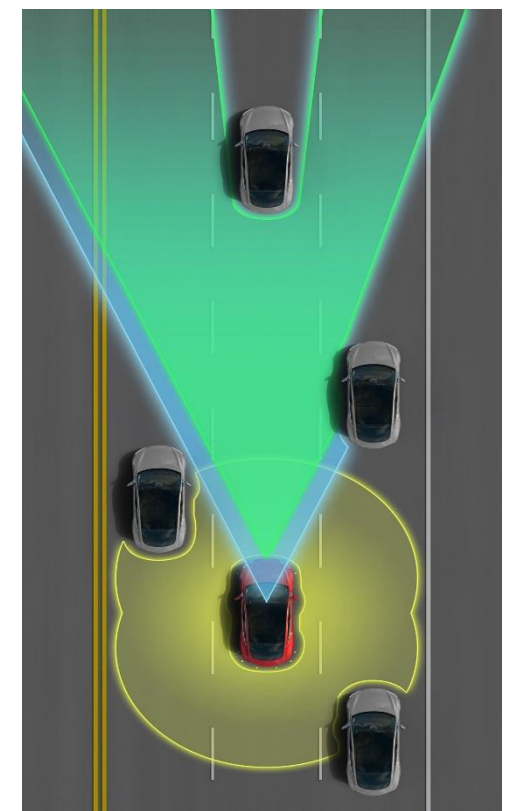


Tesla's Autopilot Self-Driving Automobile Technology Cruise Control

The Tesla car uses ultrasonic radiations to detect other vehicles and objects around it. The radar and forward-facing cameras track the position of vehicles ahead and adjusts the speed and distance of the Tesla car accordingly.

The advancements make way for improved future driving on road and for air travel .

Eshan Kummar T ,
Journalist – Technology News,
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World Wide Words

The saying goes – “The cloths maketh the man” similarly a good vocabulary indicates a well read person. We would like to introduce you to new words in every edition and hope that you and your friends will try to understand them, explore their usage and use these words if possible in class or during play. To know more discuss these words with your English teacher in class or just type [www. \(your favourite search\).com](http://www.yourfavourite.com)

Ms. Aeman Khan,
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sanguine

adjective [sang-gwin]

cheerfully optimistic,
hopeful, or confident.



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MUDITA.

A SANSKRIT TERM
THAT MEANS "JOY"
OR "PLEASURE." THE
KIND OF PLEASURE
THAT CAN BE OBTAINED
FROM SEEING OTHER
PEOPLE DO WELL.

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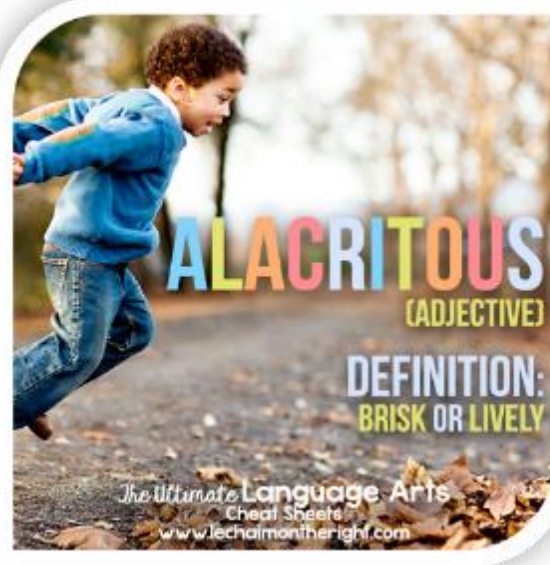
[ˈɪŋ-gəl,-nʊk]

noun - a nook by a
large open fireplace
also : a bench or settle
occupying this nook



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ALACRITOUS
(ADJECTIVE)

DEFINITION:
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SOLUTION

out of the
BOX

- 1: Friendship
- 2: Worship
- 3: Internship
- 4: Sportsmanship
- 5: Ownership
- 6: Relationship
- 7: Leadership
- 8: Township
- 9: Championship
- 10: Membership



Jack and Jill

- 1: Jill is still at point E crying because she tumbled and fell and Jack left her alone.
- 2: Jack covered a distance of 14 meters that day. Perimeter around the heart.
- 3: There are 28 triangles in the heart.

Journey of Love



- 7 February - Rose Day
- 8 February - Propose Day
- 9 February - Chocolate Day
- 10 February - Teddy Day
- 11 February - Promise Day
- 12 February - Hug Day
- 13 February - Kiss Day

**14 FEBRUARY
VALENTINE'S DAY**



Ha
Ha
Ha

SNAUGHLING: Laughing so hard you snort, then laugh because you snorted, then snort because you laughed.



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CRAZY**



February

Anti Valentine Week

- 15 FEBRUARY - SLAP DAY
- 16 FEBRUARY - KICK DAY
- 17 FEBRUARY - PERFUME DAY
- 18 FEBRUARY - FLIRTING DAY
- 19 FEBRUARY - CONFESSION DAY
- 20 FEBRUARY - MISSING DAY
- 21 FEBRUARY - BREAK UP



i Love MY
SCHOOL
FAMILY



Problem

Help me, I am a lower secondary student and I want to talk to someone who will listen and talk to me. I am known to be a ball of joy and energy, but sometimes I don't feel like a ball of joy when I am with my friends. Yes we all have a good time together, but when they are bored they pick on me for fun, it's mean and that hurts my feelings. They call me names like door stopper because of my braces and brown ball because I am dark. They think I cannot run fast or dance well. During activities I am standing at the back because I don't want my friends to be jealous if I do well. I want my friends to be nice to me so that I can be who I am in front of them too. I have a valentine, but I have not told my friends because they will make fun of me.

What should I do?

Solution

Dear Student,

I am really glad that you have raised this concern. It is a very genuine concern and often a lot of children go through this. Being mean or bullying anyone is absolutely **NOT OK** and should always be reported to a concerned adult, who will guide you and help you.

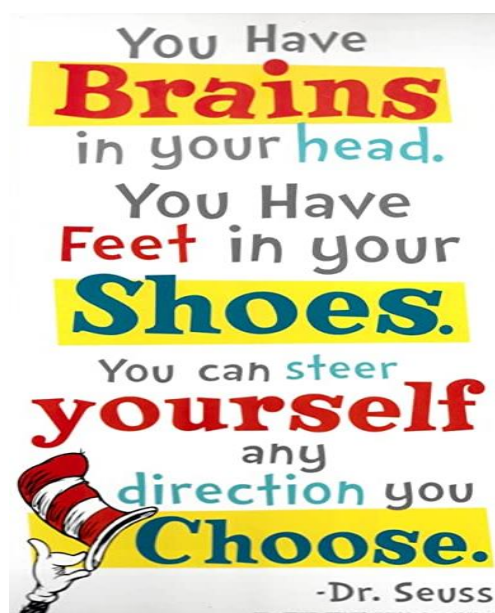
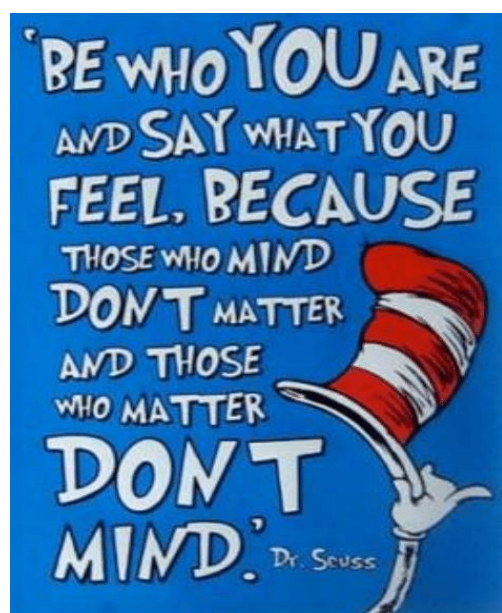
Always remember to be yourself. Giving false impressions or pretending to be something else, will not help in the long run. Friends who appreciate who you are, will be your real true friends. You should never change yourself to please other friends.

Since this is the month of celebrating love and you do have a valentine, make sure he/she doesn't feel hurt by you sharing this with your friends. It might make him/her uncomfortable. It is more important to be good friends whether it's a boy or a girl.

Much love,

Ms. Rashmi Patankar

Special educator/Student Counsellor.



We Made HISTORY!

This all seems like a dream, we are already on our 3rd edition and what a spectacular collaboration this Special Valentine's edition has been!

This is a 100% Crazy February, look at all the fun we are having at school. Virtual sports day preparations and the Final Virtual Sports Day! When everything turns out smooth and well executed, then even the minor glitches don't matter, what matters is the collaboration and efforts put in by the *alacritous* staff, teachers and students.

Kudos to Prithvi House for their glorious WIN! Well deserved. Close on their heels was Vaayu House, third position went to Jal House and Agni came in fourth. Earth, Wind, Water and Fire will always be the elements that provide passion and growth to the school. I hope and pray for our REAL PRITHVI to win it's fight over the virus, hate and climate change.

Well sports wasn't the only thing that students and teachers were collaborating on, but an unexpected *inglenook* was virtually created via this learner's E-paper - ISWki, The DICE. The Special Valentines Day edition has managed to create its very own history. **A total of 123 people are part of this sanguine participation** of which, 66 students collaborated, 24 teachers contributed and 33 students are receiving special messages via the emoji code section.

I never knew this was possible, but I put a plan in place, hoped it would work and persevered towards the end goal. Who needs a reality show when this newspaper sucked all my energy and took me through a gamut of emotions from passion, frustrations, fatigue, begging for info, anger, joy, happiness, camaraderie, compromise, early mornings, late nights, surprises, friendships, personal conversations and all these factors leading down to me understanding how much each one of us loves our school, our friends, our teachers and it all shows in this school newspaper.

It is not necessary that every edition should be like this, but once a year, this could be our tradition to collaborate massively on a special edition. I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the teachers, STUDENT COUNCIL members and few of my dear friends (you know who you are!), you all have been the true backbone for the success of this edition and without your support this history would not have been created.

Last but not the least, I want to extend a warm welcome to our Principal Mr. Sanjay Tiwari who was the first to contribute and the wind beneath my wings – Aeman ma'am, Nazim sir and Thangalaxmi ma'am. May we celebrate many more editions!

Arnav Jaykrishnan,
Student Editor,
ISWki, The DICE.

