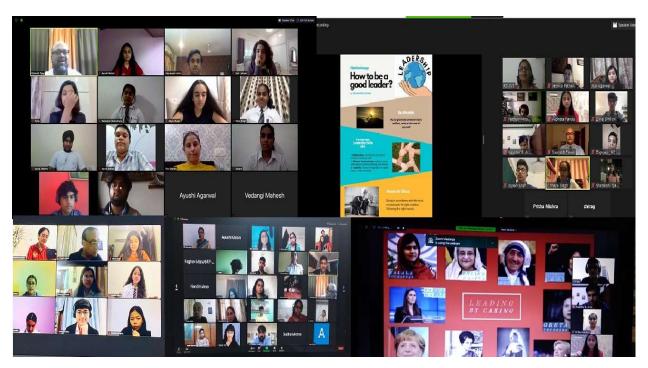


RAJMATA KRISHNA KUMARI GIRLS' PUBLIC SCHOOL, RAI KA BAGH, JODHPUR

NEWS LETTER OF THE ONLINE ACTIVITIES DURING LOCKDOWN (AUG 2020 TO OCT 2020)

1. **SAVOIR -FAIRE - A COLLABORATION OF IDEAS (AVS, ASSAM).** Saga continues. Six brilliant students of RKK, Sumriddhi Sharma, Riddhima Khajanchi, Pragya Rajawat, Hridal Sarda, Ayushi Malani and Nandini Arya participated in a Virtual Conference Savoir- Faire organized by the Assam Valley School, Assam under the aegis of Round Square pillar of Internationalism and leadership. The conference was based on the theme "WE ARE WEATHERING THE SAME STORM, BUT WE ARE NOT ON THE SAME BOAT" and took place on 31st July and 1st August 2020. Delegates were kept busy and involved by the organisers through a series of keynote sessions, Barraza sessions, discussions, quizzes and Poster making competition.

Each school was allocated one country and its leader which followed a thorough research on leadership style, qualities and actions taken by the leader in the current pandemic period. Thoughts and ideas poured in freely from the delegates and inculcated in them the true leadership quality. Unanimous solutions came by to combat the present situation. The conference ended on a happy note with an amazing Closing Ceremony event showcasing vibrant amalgamation of Indian culture.



2. CHITTAGONG GRAMMAR SCHOOL (YOUTH CONCLAVE 2020)

Under the strong guidance of the teacher in-charge, Ms Perminder Meena, zealous students, Madhurima Rathore, Yaana Jain, Suhani Baheti, Manasvi Salecha, Palak Laddha, Niharika Pamnani, Niharika Singhvi, Sheetal Johari, Kirti Soni and Ditya Lohiya represented RKK in the Youth Conclave hosted by Chittagong Grammar School. The event went on for four consecutive days.

<u>Day 1</u>- The Opening Ceremony went live on Youtube. The hosting team introduced themselves which was followed by the briefing of their four days' event. The hosting team guided and motivated the participants for an academic session providing each one a stage to express their knowledge. It was an absorbing experience to listen to the Keynote Speaker, Ms Arzoo Nepal who told about one of the most concerning issues of 21st century i.e. 'Mental Health'. Teams were given the task of making the Power-Point Presentation in tandem with the speech of the Keynote Speaker. The criteria of the judgement were the Teamwork, Critical Analysis, Audience Retention, Language Delivery, Coherence and Creativity. The day was called off after witnessing exceptionally great presentations by all the teams.

<u>Day 2-</u> The Keynote Speaker for the second day was Mr. Rafsan M. Chowdhary, who is a law graduate from U.K. He focused on the sense of generosity and kindness for the society and aimed at curing the stammering issues faced by people, by motivating all to be generous. This was followed by an Art Session organized by Mr. Biswajit Goswami, a renowned personality who emphasized on the profound meaning of pure and spiritual artistry.

This session helped us to discover our innate talents, followed by an Art Competition, where participants had to choose one theme from:

- Nature's Message.
- Prism of possibilities during the Pandemic.
- Youth's vision and strength during the Pandemic.
- Fearless Future Forward.

<u>Day 3-</u> This day was marked with Sanguine Psyche. We got a chance to imbibe the ideologies of Mr. Emino Patak who was today's Keynote Speaker, a member of Mensa, Internationally acclaimed Public Speaker, former Radio Presenter, former TA at Dale Carnegie and also the youngest UN Ambassador (17 years of age). He conveyed his own findings related to the pandemic crisis as well as transparency of government and enriched our source of learning. After this didactic session, all participants shared their ideas, teamwork and the growth of international connections through their presentations. Then we moved further to discover our inner chef in the Masterclass Cooking session. Our Chef today was Mrs. Faiza Chowdhary, who taught us how to cook White Pasta and we realized how amazingly we could cook the delicious finger licking Pasta. The experience was adventurous as well as exciting.

<u>Day 4-</u> Debating teaches us to listen to what others have to say while voicing our concerns, opinions and beliefs. Hence, on the fourth day with joy and spirit we went onto debate on some pressing world issues in a Turn- Coat format. One participant was nominated per team to debate on the topic "SOCIAL MEDIA IS CAUSING DEPRESSION IN THE YOUTH"- The best debater chosen passed into the second round with the topic- "CENSORSHIP IS NECESSARY FOR THE MEDIA". We freely expressed

our best version on the platform of this session. Next was the "CULTURAL NIGHT" where we shared and represented our roots, culture and talents with each other adapting the ideology of diversity. Participants from all the regions showcased their inner skills, which provided us a fecund opportunity of exhibiting our culture through dancing, singing, poetry etc.

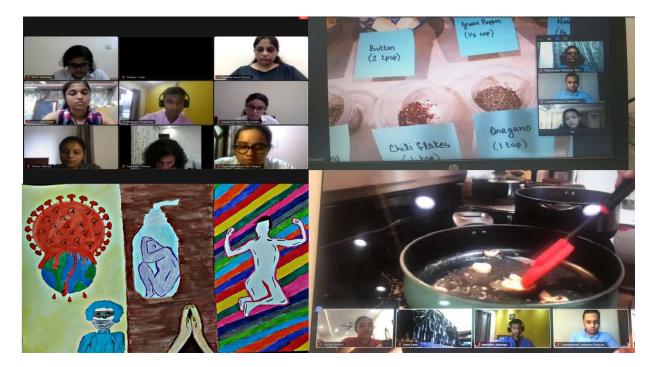
Finally there was the 'CLOSING CEREMONY' after all those prolific and productive experiences. Participants with exemplary and exuberant performance were conferred Special Mentions.

- -Niharika Pamnani's team 'Sanguine' was declared the Champion.
- -Madhurima Rathore's team 'Intrepid' was awarded the First Runner Up.
- -Kirti Singh and Ditya Lohiya's team -'Perseverance' bagged the Second Runner Up award.
- -Palak Laddha secured Second Position in Art Competition.

Take away by the students from the event:

- We realized the importance of time as within 15 to 30 minutes each team had to prepare a presentation or debate. This taught us how to work efficiently under the pressure of time.
- * Working in a team effectively and productively. Learnt to convince people.
- * We learnt the meaning of 'Communication', Collaboration' and 'Coordination' in a team.
- * Came to know about the diverse cultures and ideologies of different people.

Thus we learnt that our experience is our best teacher. Furthermore, there is no wine if grapes are not pressed, no perfume if flowers are not crushed. So, don't be afraid if there is pressure in your life, it will bring out the best in you.......

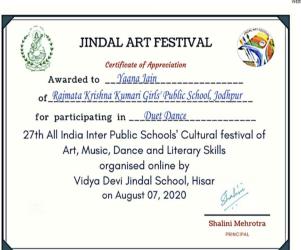


3. **27TH JINDAL ART FESTIVAL - 'NAVANKUR' (VDJS, HISAR). 19th August-**Charged with never ending zeal and energy, once again RKKians moved in to participate in 'NAVANKUR' organized by Vidya Devi Jindal School, Hisar in their 27th Jindal Art Festival. This marquee event of Vidya Devi Jindal School, Hisar celebrated the spirit of creativity and joy. It brought to witness online the immense talent of children from all over the country. RKKians took part in 3 events. Yaana Jain and Diksha Dwivedi participated in Duet Dance Fusion, Face off-Indian and Western. Rimjhim Gehlot participated in Cartooning and Nikita Vijayan in Western Solo Singing.















4. THE 4TH EDITION OF THE MODEL UNITED NATIONS (BSPMUN 2020) On 15th and 16th August, the 4th EDITION OF THE MODEL UNITED NATIONS (BSPMUN) 2020 was organized by Birla School, Pilani providing an enriching platform to Anvesha Garg, Piya Salecha, Hiya Khichi, Harshita Saraswat and Kashish Goplani of RKKGPS.

The other participating schools were Birla School Pilani, Birla Balika Vidyapeeth, LK Singhania Gotan, Bhartiya Vidya Bhawan Jaipur, Mody School Lakshmangarh, St. Joseph School Hisar and St. Joseph International School Hisar.

The Opening Ceremony was held in the presence of the Chief Guest, Ms Piyush Antony and the Closing Ceremony in the presence of Brigadier Neil John.

A very friendly Editorial Board was assigned to each participant by the committee with very interesting agendas. Countries were assigned to the delegates and according to their policy they had to speak on the given agenda. After long hours of active debate and discussions, the participants reached a solution.

Adding cherries on top, Harshita Saraswat of class 11th got High Recommendation and Anvesha Garg of Class VI got Verbal Mention for their outstanding interaction, presentation, research work and submission of position paper.

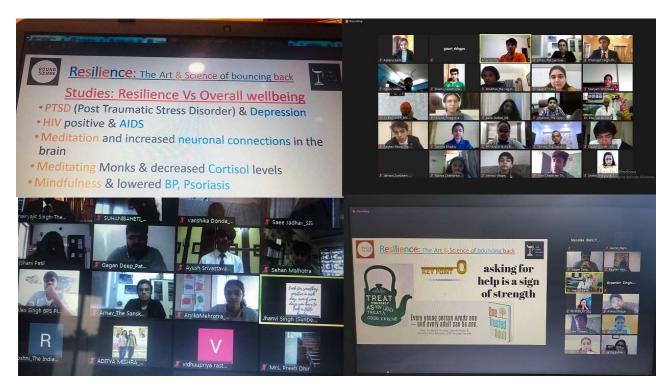


5. THE DOON SCHOOL 'RESILIENCE'

"Resilience is accepting your new reality, even if it's less good than the one you had before". "Just bouncing back from the toxic, ugly past you had, put a bandage on it and then move on and bounce back to a pretty, beautiful reality".

The Doon School Dehradun, hosted a Round Square Postcard call in which Suhani Baheti, Gauri Baxi, Lauren Bishnoi and Mumal Deora participated from Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School. The topic for this two hour long conference was "Well Being Of Students In The Pandemic And Otherwise". One week before the conference, participants were asked to share a picture with a person whom they loved and adored the most, without whom they cannot live and the loved one who supported them the most during the lockdown. Students were asked to name the picture with just one "word" which described the whole relationship. Dr. Jagpreet Singh, the Headmaster of the School welcomed everyone for the conference which started on 11th of August 2020. Mr Raghav Mishra moderated a Workshop and the School Counselor, Saakshi Tikku Ma'am addressed the participants. She gave important inputs on how to remain mentally strong in any given situation. Dr. Maj. Lanka Amar, the School Doctor addressed the students and presented his precious inputs on 'Resilience'. Speakers shared words of wisdom on the 'Art and Science of Bouncing Back'. Participants were overwhelmed and sank into deep thoughts.

To have fruitful discussions, participants were given four breakout rooms according to their convenience. Session Organizers asked questions on "Share any good or bad experience", "One thing the participants would like to share with adults", How others play role in your life", "The one who helps to get resilience", "How people help you in your life to achieve resilience" etc. The breakout session got over with very pertinent and meaningful discussions. Learning tools were shared with each other.



6. **RAJMATA GAYATRI DEVI MEMORIAL ENGLISH DEBATE: 2020** (MGD, JAIPUR) Maharani Gayatri Devi School organized the first ever Virtual Rajmata Gayatri Devi Memorial English Debate: 2020 under the theme "I can and I will" on 11th August 2020. Ms. Sandhya Mudgal escorted the students of RKKGPS to the Virtual Campus of MGD sharp at 9:00 am through their laptops and Google Hangout Meeting. The Principal and the organizers of the host school virtually welcomed the participants of all the eight schools. The competition consisting of three rounds started sharp at 9:30am. The first and the final round were supported to have three participants and for the second round only two participants had to speak.

'Bang Words' was the first round with a time duration of one minute of speaking. The three topics on which students of RKKGPS were supposed to speak were: 'Mental health should be given equal importance in academic curriculum', 'Home is where the heart is' and 'Words of Wisdom'. The students spoke flawlessly. In the second round, Duo-Lingo-Bilingual Turn Coat, two show stopper students were Mansi Agarwal of class-XII and Paridhi Jain of class XI. Their topic was 'Nepotism prevails in Bollywood'. Mansi Agarwal was awarded as the Best Speaker in this round. In the Finale Team Tussle- 'Parliamentary Round', RKKGPS fielded Kanishka Sharan as their PM, Mansi Agarwal their Deputy PM and Paridhi Jain took the responsibility of closing statements/rebuttal. The topic at hand in this round was, 'Internet is Curbing Creativity'. Judges and audience were captivated with the flawless and confident speeches of the students. Mansi Agarwal was awarded the 'Best Speaker' in round three as well.

The Competition came to an end after four and a half hours of extensive and exhaustive debating. All the while, everyone waited with anxious hearts for the results to come. The host school took everyone down the memory lane by showing them various video clips, TED-TALKS and a brief clip of Maharani Gayatri Devi herself. On an exclaiming note, the results were declared awarding Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School the first position presenting the Maharani Gayatri Devi Memorial Trophy.

Someone has rightly said, "All dreams come true if you have the courage to pursue them".

Result were as follows:

The Prize Winners:-Mansi Agarwal- The Best Speaker Round- 2 (Awarded with a Certificate and Cash Prize of Rs. 500/-)

Mansi Agarwal- The Best Speaker Round-3 (Awarded with a Certificate and Cash Prize of Rs. 500/-)

Overall Winner of 'Rajmata Gayatri Devi Memorial Trophy'.-

Mansi Agarwal- (Awarded with a Certificate and Cash Prize of Rs. 500/-)

Paridhi Jain-(Awarded with a Certificate and Cash Prize of Rs. 500/-)

Kanishka Sharan-(Awarded with a Certificate and Cash Prize of Rs. 500/-)

Congratulations Team RKK



7. **CLOUD - 9 (HOSTED BY RKK)** "Life opens up opportunities. Either take them or stay afraid of them" said- Jim Carrey.

On the morning of 16th August 2020, a Virtual Postcard call was organised by a team of 11 students of RKK from Class 9th and 10th for students of Class 7th to 11th of RKK based on the Round Square concept of Virtual Postcard Call. The Conference was 'Cloud Nine' 'Our Euphoric Utopia'. Participants were asked either to make a collage of what euphoria means to them or write a passage describing their euphoria.

The conference consisted of three sessions, first being the Opening Ceremony with a brief explanation by the participants of their passages. In the second session, the participants were divided into five separate groups, each headed by two members of the Organizing Committee. This session comprised fun games and more personal interaction. In the third session, the host asked a few questions from the participants related to their euphoria or happy moments in life and played some thrilling games. There was an informal interaction and feedback session of 30 minutes between the participants and the organizers after the formal session concluded. This conference was well received by the participants and the conduction of the event was commendable. The aim of the conference was to remind the participants of the happiness that is still present even during these trying times. Every one believed that the aim was well achieved.



8. SAIMUN 2020. 18 RKKians - Suhani Baheti, Anishka Anand, Sumriddhi Sharma, Lauren Bishnoi, Hiya Khichi, Kirti Soni, Palak Laddha, Sakshiba Rana, Shreya Garg, Hemangini Bhati, Divya Laddha, Harshita Saraswat, Tanvi Jain, Udita Singh, Nishita Jain, Swati Punjabi, Sanjiti Gill and Khushi Dhandiya represented SAIMUN where 750 students from 10 different countries around the world participated. The event was held on August 13 and 14, 2020. Ms Kelly Craft, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations was the Keynote Speaker along with other prominent Counsel Generals. SAIMUN was teamed up with AIESEC as one of their Youth Leadership partners. It was a conceptual replication of the United Nations International Committees which created a platform for participants to gain an insight into the various dynamics of the U.N. There were 10 different committees for all the groups with interesting and contemporary agendas. In the Plenary Session of Closing Ceremony, two RKKians got a chance to speak. They performed enthusiastically in this role-play exercise and understood the role of diplomats in solving the international issues. Undoubtedly, this participation polished the art of Public Speaking and Debating skill of students and allowed them to think critically to solve the problems constructively. Two RKKians, Ms Lauren of Class-X and Ms Sakshiba Rana of Class IX got Special Mention for their outstanding performance as diplomats.



9. **AVS, ASSAM (ART & DESIGN FEST - 'SRIJANYAM').** To provide an opportunity to express and share expressions in myriad visual forms, The Assam Valley School, Assam celebrated the 4th edition of 'Srijanyam' Art and Design Fest on a digital platform. The theme for the Fest was 'Unlocking Creativity in the New Normal'. It was a Collaborative Activity to set an effective context for the different decisions coming up as everyone is planning to return to full time activity- a 'New Normal' in the near future amidst the struggle to contain the current COVID-19 pandemic.

Talent and artistic skills oozed out of the following talented girls of RKK in their respective areas:-

- 1. Ayushi Malani- Photography
- 2. Avni Jain- Photography
- 3. Ritu Lakhera- Cartoon or Caricature and Poster Designing
- 4. Yaana Jain- Digital illustration and Portrait
- 5. Tisha Jain-Portrait
- 6. Kaveena Maheshwari- Portrait
- 7. Rimjhim Gehlot- Digital Illustration

This opportunity provided the young art enthusiasts a fabulous insight into various dynamics of art.



10. **BIS DANSCOMP.** During the lockdown, Bangalore International School, Bangalore hosted a Dance Activity, a wonderful opportunity for the budding talents to bring forth their performing arts. Participating schools were asked to send 6 videos: 3 videos in Junior Category and 3 videos in Senior Category. Students danced in pairs and combined steps from two dance styles and sent their videos.

The dance depicted their feelings and experiences of the present situation. The theme of the competition was "Save The World". It was an effort to bridge the world by overcoming boundaries and coming together through collaboration, competition, expression and exhibition.

RKK chose Bharatnatyam, Flamenco, Free style, Hip – Hop, Contemporary and Kathak dance forms. The following students represented RKK. -

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Senior Category

- (a) Veenushri Pungalia and Riyanshi Kothari (Bharatnatyam + Freestyle), Song :- Instrumental + Namaste.
- (b) Ashmi Shrimali (Bharatnatyam) and Nandini Shekhawat (Hip Hop), Song: Memories by Maroon 5.
- (c) Yaana Jain (Contemporary) and Diksha Dwidedi (Kathak), Song:- Hymn for the weekend by Cold Play.

Junior Category

- (a) Tanvi Shah and Mehu (Bharatnatyam and Hip-Hop), Song:- Bad Boy.
- (b) Suhani Birla and Sunehari Birla (Bharatnatyam and Kathak), Song:- Taki Taki.
- (c) Prachi Jain and Priyal Jain (Bharatnatyam and Flamenco) Song- Better When I am Dancing.

Kudos to the Mentors, Mrs Daksha Singh and Dr Piyushree Shukla, who coordinated the entire activity wonderfully and brought out the immense dancing talent of RKKians on a big platform.

Result. The participation provided a platform to the graceful dancers of RKK to speak through rhythm, to express our culture in this diverse world and to collaborate with others far and near. The fusion Dance of Suhani and Sunehari Birla choreographed by Mrs Daksha Singh received High Appreciation and was short listed among the entries of this collaborative activity to add another achievement in the success story of RKK.



11. SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, MUMBAI - "RAY OF HOPE".

During these trying months of 2020 many people lost hope and many gave up. So, to infuse positivity and optimism into these people, Singapore International School, Mumbai initiated "RAY OF HOPE". People who were shattered and considered life to be woe, for them this initiative came as a blessing shower. It aimed to broaden the outlook of how we can't control the happenings of 2020, but we can adjust our smile. Positivity begets positivity. Seven students from RKK took part in this event. Students described their optimistic stories and elaborated their views on one thing that has motivated them the most in the tough times. Some of them were related to meditation, Yoga, spiritual well being, purification of the environment, spending time with family and watching inspirational movies. Students who participated were - Anjali Saand, Nehal Gehlot, Nandini Shekhawat, Shruti Rathi, Kirti Soni, Lauren, Harshita Saraswat and Manasvi Salecha. All these talented students put their effort to share stories of optimism that brighten our today and fill our tomorrow with confidence.



EACH SMILE HAS A STORY! WHATS YOURS THIS 2020?



This project aims to spread positivity in these dramatically heavy few months of 2020. It is inspired by the thought that 'We can't direct 2020 but we can adjust our smile.'

SO WHAT WAS THE ONE THING THAT HELPED YOU GET THROUGH THESE TOUGH TIMES OF 2020?

Be a part in helping spread positivity and hope

Fill out the registeration form and share your story now!

Age group: 14-17 years Register by: 31st July 2020

Email to cascoordinator@sisindia.net

12. **ART - A SKILL OR CRAFT**. 'Hijibiji' a National Art Competition was held on 30th July 2020 providing an amazing opportunity to the students to explore more about Art. Ritu Lakhera, a student of 12th Commerce from RKK participated in this competition under the expert guidance of Mr Yateesh Kasargod and bagged 2nd Position at All India Level.



13. **THE BRITISH SCHOOL MUN 2020.** A wonderful opportunity came our way when the students of RKK represented the school in TBS MUN 2020 organised by The British School, New Delhi. Importance of MUN is that it makes the participants aware of the way the UN functions. Unless we, understand the functioning and proceedings of the United Nations, this vital congregation of the nations of the world will not be successful. MUN also helps in enhancing the knowledge, team-work, leadership, public speaking and problem solving skills of the participants.

The MUN required comprehensive research on agendas provided to the five different committees, namely, General Assembly, (UNGA), United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC), Joint Crisis Committee (JCC), North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) and The United Nations Security Council (UNSC). The process was very enriching for all the members of the team, in terms of gaining vital insight into the politics and diplomacy in today's world. The information extracted is always an eye opener to some very intricate aspects of the world issues that concern us.

It was a package of three days (04th to 6th September) Dr. Shashi Tharoor, the Guest of Honour motivated all the delegates with his words on the first day. The second day was overwhelming as the delegates were at their best to resolve the crisis through their dialogue. A very high standard of debate marked the concluding day. The committee sessions were wrapped up by voting on the draft resolutions which could be called as the perfect ones for our committees to be successful.

Anvi Mehta of class 8th was the youngest participant. Other participants, Kirti Soni, Lauren, Nandini Shekhawat, Niharika Pamnani, Sumriddhi Sharma, Harshita Saraswat, Reet Goyal, Sheetal Johari, Sanjiti Gill and Himanshi Soni put in all their effort to make this the best of their experiences.



14. VIRTUAL CELEBRATION OF 'TEACHER'S DAY 2020'.

Every year the students celebrate Teacher's Day in different ways to express their heartfelt gratitude to their Gurus and Mentors. But this year, the scenario was different with the pandemic at large disabling the students to meet their teachers physically. But that could not keep the RKKians away from showing their respect and love for their mentors because they believe "to have a teacher is a blessing".

The teachers of RKK and the students of class 9C met on the platform of Google Meet to celebrate "Virtual Teachers' Day" on 5th September at 4.30 p.m. Students organized several games and an evening of fun and frolic for the teachers. There was a talent hunt session which included Tongue Twisters and Riddles, followed by "Guess the Song" challenge which was inspired by the 90's. All the teachers participated in the fun games, challenges and enjoyed a lot. They were thrilled with Kishore Kumar's songs performed by the students. They put their best foot forward to make the evening lively for their teachers by reciting poems on them. They thanked the teachers for being the source of constant inspiration for them and to help them achieve their goals. The celebration went on for one hour and 45 minutes. Teachers were more than happy and overwhelmed with the students' performances for them. The evening ended with cherishable memories.



AVS, ASSAM (INTERNATIONAL BAMBOO FESTIVAL): EXPLORE AND **ENRICH**. To commemorate the 11th World Bamboo Day on 18th September 2020, The Assam Valley School (AVS) and National Institute of Design (NID) with the Global Community, South Asia Bamboo Foundation (SABF) organized various competitions for the International Bamboo Festival 2020 on a virtual platform The theme for this event was "Bamboo for Sustainable this vear. Development". This Global Festival was open to schools and individual students across the globe. Sakshi Lata, Riddhima Khajanchi, Yaana Jain, Anushree Sinha, Panya Tyagi and Diksha Dwivedi from RKK highlighted their creativity and talent. To promote awareness and sustainability of Bamboo among school children, two online school competitions were held as a part of this festival. RKKians sent 6 entries on 10th September as per the given guidelines for the International 'Comic Strip Contest' and 'Photography Competition' for judgement. Students were enriched with this opportunity to explore and collect wonderful experiences on a wide platform.



16. HPS: "DISCOVER YOUR IKIGAI". Hyderabad Public School, Begumpet organized a Virtual Conference under Round Square and the theme was "Discover your Ikigai". Once again four RKKians - Kirti Soni, Harshita Saraswat, Sheetal Johari and Shreya Garg set off on a happy journey with cheerful minds and a big smile. Many other schools like Dhirubhai Ambani International School Mumbai, Sunbeam School Varanasi, Assam Valley School Assam, Welham Girls' School Dehradun etc participated in this virtual conference. The students of the host school explained the theme in the Opening Ceremony followed by the address of the school Principal, Dr. Skand Bali on "Happiness in School Life" and the address of the Vice Principal, Mrs Amritha Chandra on "Happiness and Education". Ms. Bulbul Choudhary, Dean Admission, Outreach and International Collaborations ISDI was the first Keynote Speaker who made the session joyful and interesting by talking about the most happy people of the world, what makes them happy and also shared the things that make her happy.

All the participants were divided into four breakout rooms where they had an interactive session on what makes them happy. After the end of this session Dr. Khushboo Singhal, a Physiotherapist and the second Keynote Speaker enlightened the participants about the relationship between 'Happiness, Education and Well being'. Another interactive and healthy session took place on case studies, short anecdotes on connection of 'Optimism and Happiness' with the third Keynote Speaker Mr. Prikshit Dhanda, a Chief Strategic Officer and Mindler. Once again after this session, participants proceeded to the second breakout room for a healthy discussion on "Are you an Optimist or Pessimist"? This was followed by a debate on 'Difference between Literate and Educated'.

The last Keynote Speaker, Mr. Michael Dishnow, an international educator from USA illuminated the delegates on the secrets of "Happiness in Life". This intellectual and fun filled Round Square Conference ended with a Vote of thanks.



17. **PWS - THEATRE WORKSHOP.** The aspiring theatre artists of RKK - Hemangini Bhati, Kanishka Godara and Hira Khan put their hearts and all their effort in preparing and performing "Absurd Theatre Play", an exhibition organized by Pathways World School, Aravali on 7th September. Though these artists were away from the actual stage, they exhibited their best presentation because Theatre has always been a way to express our feelings whether happy or sad.

Though the conception of Absurd Theater was a challenge but under the able guidance of our theatre teacher, Dr. Neetu Parihar, students learnt to portray characters with distinct yet hidden personalities.

The delegation had chosen the play, "The Birthday Party" by Harold Pinter. In this play, there always seems to be an aura of uncertainty looming over even the most mundane conversations and scenes. Stanley seems to be in a bubble of insecurity, which most people in today's world would also correspond with due to all the pressure society has put on everyone. Harold Pinter has portrayed different personalities of different personas in the play meticulously. One would believe that it might even be oxymoronic personalities of just one person or the masks we wear everyday to conceal the truth of our true selves from the horrors of societies.

After 2 weeks of rehearsal, finally there was a proud presentation of the students under pressure to put up such a perplexing play in the absence of the audience who were replaced by a camera. The absurdity in today's life made the students realise the need of absurd theatre not only on stage but also in life where emotions run wild and free. There was amazing and exciting participation of all the other schools and it is overwhelming that the 3 RKKians managed to put together and present a play in the most absurd manner.



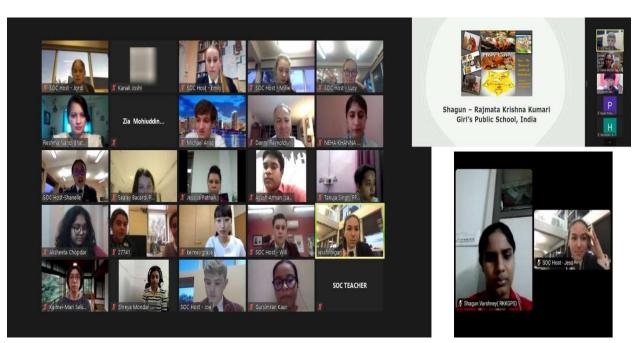




18. **SCOTCH OAKBURN COLLEGE IN TASMANIA (RS POSTCARD)** An amazing experience took place on 9th September 2020 amidst a group of 50 students from 14 schools across the world including Australia, Japan, South Africa, USA, etc, as they participated in The RS ZOOM POSTCARD Call on 'Traditions of the World'. The three participants of RKKGPS namely Kanak Joshi, Shagun Varshney and Hira Khan of class 10th with students of other schools exchanged interesting information on various topics throughout the 90 minutes call. The RKK students enlightened the other students on the importance of Indian traditions like 'Atithi Devo Bhava', 'The Power of Namaste' and 'The Holy Cow'.

The entire schedule was well planned with discussions related to the collage sent by the schools and facilitated an experiential learning. The students discussed the hospitable traditions of the world like offering Coffee and Halwa tradition from Oman, National Heritage Day from South Africa, Invasion Day from Australia and Cuisine, Folk Dances and Music from India, to mention a few. This was followed by a Barazza session where we were divided into smaller groups in breakout rooms by the host school. This was an interesting exercise as we got an opportunity to express our views very closely with few others.

Everyone embarked on a joyful journey of enthusiastic participation and meaningful interaction while experiencing different aspects of world traditions. This helped us all to gain a lot of knowledge and it was a pleasure being a part of such an incredible conference. Exchanging our culture and traditions at an international level was a marvellous opportunity, for which we are truly grateful.



19. SUNBEAM SUNCITY (SCHOOL & HOSTEL) VARANASI: A DROP OF KINDNESS - GIVING THE GIFT OF GIVING.

Under the aegis of the RS pillar 'Service' and the motto 'A Drop of Kindness-Giving the Gift of Giving', Sunbeam Suncity (School & Hostel) took an initiative to raise awareness and to provide a common platform for the students to bring forth their little contributions towards humanity. A virtual You Tube Premiere was organised wherein a compiled video from all the participating schools was presented to get inspired and sensitized. A team of three students from RKKGPS-Madhurima Rathore, Yaana Jain and Jaishree Banberu of Class XII along with many elite schools like the Doon School Dehradun, Welhem Girls' School Dehradun, Pathways World School Aravali, Genesis Global School Noida etc participated enthusiastically.

Under the aegis of His Highness Maharaja Hanwant Singhji Charitable Trust, RKK runs and supports Project "**Prayaas**" and **Project "Shakti**". The students of RKK are actively involved in the making of Sanitary Napkins and Masks under this project and also distribute them among the rural women in the local areas. Two videos showing these three students manufacturing and distributing Sanitary Napkins were sent to the host school and collected lots of appreciation for their small act of kindness.

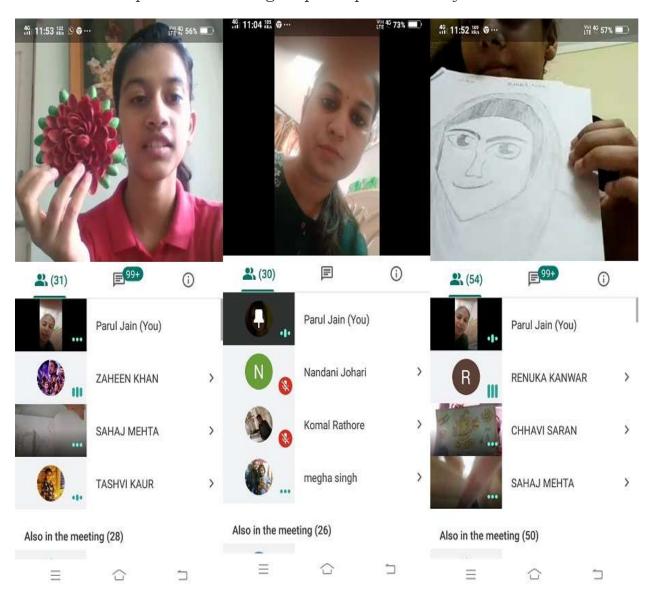
Since these service endeavours took place during the pandemic, it turned out to be a wonderful learning experience. Please find below the You Tube link of the collaboration:-

https://rkkgps.com/Details.aspx?id=140870&lock=/EventsSports.aspx?p=Cocurricular+-+Activities+during+Lockdown.



20. **AWARENESS SESSION ON 'PERSONAL HYGIENE'.** On 15th and 16th September 2020, Ms. Parul Jain from Procter and Gamble organised an online awareness session on **'Personal Hygiene'** to instil the awareness in the girls of class VI and VII about menstruation cycle, myth, taboos and superstitions associated with it.

Ms. Jain explained the natural cycle and the method to use sanitary pads, by practically demonstrating on paper cut out. She also explained about the symptoms felt during the periods and taught how to deal with cramps felt during periods by doing exercise and drinking lots of water. Daughters and their Mothers found the session very informative, as there was Quiz conducted based on the topic in which the girls participated actively.



21. HPS, BEGUMPET (RS POSTCARD ZOOM CALL): 'LET FOOD BE THY MEDICINE' On 16th of September, The Hyderabad Public School Begumpet organised a Round Square Postcard Call on the topic 'Let Food be thy Medicine'. Thirteen elite national and international member schools of Round Square from India, New York, Tokyo, London, Cape Town participated in this prestigious event which started with the Introduction. The organisers explained to the participants about healthy meals and the diseases caused because of the lack of nutrients. This session was a very informative session where the discussion was on healthy eating and ways to improve our health, immunity and wellbeing through the foods that we cook and eat. Participants learnt about the necessary nutrients required for a healthy body. They explained about their favourite food like, Chilra, Poha, Khichdi, Fruits, spices etc. and mentioned the nutritive value of the selected items.

Dr. Nida Fatima Hazari, a nutritionist, explained to the students about the benefits and types of functional food. Students learnt about Probiotic food, Prebiotic food and Modified food. Dr Nida discussed with the students about the food they should consume and addressed their doubts and queries about various other foods. The 90 minutes Postcard call was over with the students enlightened by sharing with each other their favourite meal idea, magic ingredients, superfood tips or recipes.

The participants came to understand that Healthy food is the most powerful and the safest medicine.

Nehal Gehlot, Suhani Baheti, Ridhima Khajanchi, Aadyaa Vivek and Teacher In charge Mrs Swati Chouhan from RKK came forward to gather experience. Lives can be healthy only when we give away the wrong food habits and accept the right habits.



22. **BPSMUN (WAY TO GO...).** On 18th and 19 September, Birla Public School, Pilani conducted a MUN Conference in which a batch of six students namely Udita Singh, Sumriddhi Sharma, Harshita Saraswat, Bhumika Ayani,

Jaya Sankhla and Nehal Gehlot participated. The MUN consisted of important committees like UNSC, UNHRC, ICJ, UNGA-DISEC, UNGA-SOCHUM.

Students discussed and debated on many important motions such as tackling human trafficking, Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962, Border dispute of the United States and Canada and Machias Seal Island etc.

Here, students not only developed their public speaking skills but also learnt to build their confidence and how to present their opinion before a large audience and most of them opposing them, thus enhancing their speaking and listening skills. The Opening Ceremony was graced by Mr. SS Sandhu who is one of the successful CEOs and Directors of Shivalik Bimetal Controls Ltd. Co. From the delegation of Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School, Harshita Saraswat bagged Special Mention and Sumriddhi Sharma received a Verbal Mention by the Leader of the Committee.



23. **MAYOOR CHOPASNI SCHOOL, "AVIRBHAV".** Mayoor Chopasni School, Jodhpur organized the first ever Virtual Inter-School Hindi Debate and

Rajasthani Kavya Paath Competition on the theme "AVIRBHAV". More than 12 renowned schools participated in both the events.

Two students from each school had to submit their debate videos in the Hindi Debate Competition and the topic given was 'Shiksha ka madhyam matrabhasha ya rashtrabhasha samecheen kyu hai?' One student had to speak for the motion and the other one had to speak against the motion. Each participant was asked two questions during the session based on the content of the video by the Judges. Participants were ranked on the basis of their Delivery, Presentation, Oratory Skills and answers to the question asked by the Judges. The judges for the event were Associate Professor Dr. Bhagwan Singh Shekhawat and Associate Professor Dr. Vineeta Jain from JNVU, Jodhpur. Lakshita Singh Ranawat of Class XI was declared as the first 'Best Speaker' and Kumkum Chouhan of Class X bagged the sixth position. Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School was declared the Overall Winner of this first ever Virtual Inter School Hindi Debate Competition.

The host school also organised a Rajasthani Kavya Paath Competition in continuation to this wherein two students from each school had to record their Rajasthani poems and send it to the organisers.

The judges for the event were Professor Dr. Gaje Singh Rajpurohit and Mr. Sukhdev Rao, who judged the participants on the basis of their Fluency, Presentation, and Question Answer round.

His Highness Maharaja Gaj Singh Ji graced the event by his benign presence and appreciated students for their awesome presentations and motivated them for cherishing Rajasthani language and culture.

Divyanshi Bhati of Class VIII bagged 3rd position in the Rajasthani Kavya Paath and Shreya Bhati of Class VIII won appreciation. It was an outstanding online platform for all the participants to enhance their oratory skills.



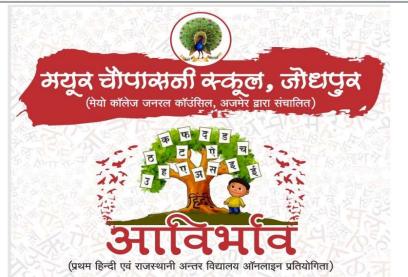


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1	लक्षिता सिंह राणावत	राजमाता कृष्णा कुमारी गर्ल्स स्कूल	प्रथम
2	वैशाली	सैण्ट्रल एकंडमी, केन्ट	द्वितीय
3	मानवेन्द्र सिंह बीका	मयूर चौपासनी स्कूल	तृतीय
4	ऋषिराज सिंह शेखावत	मयूर चौपासनी स्कूल	चतुर्थ
5	गौरी भारद्वाज	सैण्ट्रल एकेडमी, केन्ट	पंचम
6	कुमकुम चौहान	राजमाता कृष्णा कुमारी गर्ल्स स्कूल	षष्टम
7	आदित्य लोढ़ा	सैण्ट्रल एकेडमी, चौ.हा.बो.	सप्तम

24. **GLENDALE ACADEMY, HYDERABAD (CROS 'S' WORDS DEBATE** Glendale Academy, Hyderabad organised their first ever Virtual CROSS 'S' WORDS Debate from 17th to 19th September 2020 in which Urvi Pratap Singh of Class XII, Himanshi Mandora of Class XI and Niharika Singhvi of Class X from RKK participated with enthusiasm.

On 17th of September, the host school took off this competition with an Opening Ceremony, wherein Dr Acharya (Chairperson Glendale Academy) gave an electrifying speech followed by briefing the debaters about the Cambridge form of Debating.

The host school gave a topic for the first round of debate on 14th September. "The kind of education being delivered is neither functional nor current"

Under the able guidance of their mentor, Mrs Meenal Moondra, students of RKK exhibited their wonderful debating skills by speaking against the motion. Fifty two schools participated in this debate.

As the first round unfolded on 17th September, the debaters participated with all their avidity and passion for debating and achieved the true impetus of debating by convincing the Chairperson. They were appreciated for presenting remarkable arguments.

After the brilliant exhibition in the first round, the Chairman announced the Top sixteen teams on 18th of September and this was followed by the second round. The Closing Ceremony was addressed by Dr Acharya who threw light on the essence of debating.

Though RKK could not make it to the finals, the debaters experienced an extraordinary exposure and were enriched with the virtual debating.



VIRTUAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH INSTITUTO PIERRE DE COUBERTIN 25. IN OAXACA, MÉXICO. "Victory comes from finding opportunities in problems", best explains the virtual meet of the students of RKK and Instituto Pierre De Coubertin in Oaxaca, Mexico. Even though there are barriers due to the COVID- 19 pandemic, we leave no stone unturned so as to grab opportunities. With a few requisite topics, such as Indian culture, cuisine and must visit destinations, endangered and endemic species in India, we concluded by discussing what are we, the responsible students of India doing to help our Mother Earth as we all know, there is an alternative for everything except for Mother Earth. Nehal Gehlot, Aadyaa Vivek, Jaya Sankhla, Niharika Pamnani, Udita Singh, Shreya Parakh, Shruti Rathi, Shreya Rathi and Nandini Shekhawat of Class IX gained enriching and insightful experience from this Virtual Exchange Program held on 25th of September 2020. Participants gained immense knowledge about the endemic and endangered species of Mexico and India.

Mexican students made intriguing presentations and showed endangered wildlife creatures and plants of their country. The curious Mexican students wanted to know about Indian culture and asked questions about the Indian dish 'Aloo Gobi' and Hindu God, 'Lord Ganesh'. RKKians answered all their questions with complete information and explanation. They also showcased a few traditional Rajasthani performances which the Mexican students liked and praised a lot. The takeaways of this Virtual Exchange Program were motivating. Students became more confident, interactive, extrovert, gregarious and active global citizens. They became more aware and concerned about the environment. All they concluded was to ponder on the ways to save Mother Earth and become active environmentalists at the end of the day.



26. THE INDIAN HIGH SCHOOL, DUBAI (RS POSTCARD CALL).

The Indian High School, Dubai organized a prestigious event under Round Square Postcard Call on the topic "Multicultural Dubai" on 30th of September 2020. Riddhima Khajanchi, Harshita Saraswat, Khushboo Vyas and Nehal Gehlot with their teacher Incharge, Mrs Suman Rathore participated in this event. This started with the Introduction. The organizers first showed a video clip of the changes that occurred in Dubai between 1960 – 2020. After this they introduced Dubai as a "Global Village", the hub of multicultural festivals, food, safety etc. Inspite of being an islamic country, Dubai has people from 90+ countries living here. All the festivals are celebrated without any prejudice. Dubai is one of the safest countries in the world. They enlightened the audience to the fact that the land of Dubai is not supportive to agriculture. They have adopted new farming techniques like Hydro-phonic and Aero-phonic farming.

Students were then divided into breakout rooms. There was a Barazza Session in which there was an activity called Spinning Wheel which consisted of topics for interaction like superstitions, food, history etc. Teachers were also asked about their Lockdown teaching experience.

It was a 90 minutes session, after which the participants enjoyed sharing their culture with each other. This small program was held to keep the children abreast with the cultures of different countries of the world.



27. WELHAM BOYS' SCHOOL CONCLAVE – SUSTAINNOVATION. Six students of Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School were all set to attend the first ever virtual Welham Boys' School Conclave because it's said that 'a mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its former dimensions'. The Conclave took place from 21st to 27th September 2020. The topic was "SUSTAINNOVATION" meaning innovation in tandem with sustainability of the surroundings.

The Conclave was attended by various schools of national and international prestige like The Emerald Heights International School, Vidya Devi Jindal School, Maria Public School, Birla Public School, Mayo College Ajmer, Welham Girls' School, Welham Boys' School, Genesis Global School and Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School to name a few.

The Opening Ceremony of this virtuous virtual event was held on Monday, 21st September, which was followed by a brief detail about the event guidelines. The Conclave was ramified into three broad events namely, 'Article on Business', 'Social Enterprise Case Study Collaboration' and 'Entrepreneurship Project'. The topic for the first event i.e. 'ARTICLE ON BUSINESS' was 'Global Economy in a Black Hole', the topic at hand for the 'CASE STUDY' event was 'The Education Alliance'.

An eminent Keynote Speaker, Ms Kanika Sharma, an entrepreneur and the founder of 'DYO-ORGANIC RESORT' addressed the Opening Ceremony. She educated the audience about the difference between a social and business entrepreneur. Mr Gaurav Sharma then took the participants on a virtual tour of the resort emphasizing on the importance of organic farming and various eco-friendly practices at DYO.

Then started the five days of constant hard work, research, exchange of ideas and practice and finally on Sunday, 27th of September, the day for Barraza session arrived, where participants were divided into groups. In the first Barraza group, Sheetal Johari presented her views on the topic 'Global Economy in a Black Hole', In the Second Barraza group, Paridhi Jain presented her case study on the social enterprise, 'The Education Alliance' that stood out and collected appreciation from the moderator. In the third Barraza group, Nehal Gehlot, Jaya Sankhla and Shreya Parakh presented their Entrepreneurship Project 'Sustainowud' which was admired by all.

After experiencing knowledge combined with enjoyment the delegates returned to attend the Closing Ceremony. This was addressed by Mrs. Sangeeta Kain, Principal Welham Boys' School. Everyone left with heavy hearts bidding adieu to their new friends and promised to meet again.

This goes apt with the saying 'Fill your life with experiences not things only to have memories to share not stuff to show'.



28. **THE DOON SCHOOL – ROUND SQUARE VISUAL ARTS FESTIVAL**. From 28th to 30th September 2020, The Doon School organized a three days' Round Square Visual Arts Festival titled "Discovery of Art - A Borderless Approach to Knowledge". More than 150 participants from 25 schools across Dubai, Jordan, Pakistan, Oman and India took part in this event.

A New Delhi based Artist and Architect, Mr Martand Kholsa addressed the gathering in the starting of the event. He shared his experience of the journey as an artist and architect and also inspired the students to pursue a career in this field. Students have been doing research work on various themes like Art/Design movement, Folk Art, Street Art & Graffiti, Public Art, Famous Artists etc. to name a few. The findings and learning of this research was presented by students in this three-day festival.

Participating schools included - All Saints' College(Nainital), Birla Public School(Pilani), British Overseas School(Pakistan), KC Public School(Jammu), RKKGPS (Jodhpur), Indian High School(Dubai), Dhirubhai International School (Mumbai), Cadet College Hasanabdal (Pakistan), Seth Anand Ram Jaipuria School (Kanpur), Singapore International School (Mumbai), College De La Salle - Amman(Jordan), Sunbeam School (Varanasi), Assam Valley School(Assam), The Emerald Heights International School (Indore), The British School (New Delhi), Welham Girls' School, (Dehradun) The Lawrence School (Lovedale) Ooty, The Sagar School (Alwar), The Scindia School (Gwalior), Trivandrum International School (Kerala), Vidya Devi Jindal School (Hisar), Vivek High School (Chandigarh), Indian School Al Ghubra (Oman), Sunbeam Suncity School (Varanasi) & The Doon School (DehraDun).

Sanika Kakkar, Aayushi Malani, Sumriddhi Sharma, Shauryanshi Singh, Drishti Varyani and Avni Jain presented their research on different artists like MF Hussain, Raja Ravi Verma, Ramkinkar Baij, Jamini Roy etc.

In this Visual Arts Festival, the students not only discovered the importance of art in their life but also learned that there is a form of art in every aspect of life.

The fest ended with the speech given by Mr. Kholsa, which left the children more curious and eager to learn.

Students of the Doon School marked the end of the ceremony with a musical performance. It was a creative yet fruitful session with a new experience for the young minds.



29. **HINDI GROUP DISCUSSION COMPETITION.** On the occasion of Hindi Diwas for classes 9th and 10th, Hindi Group Discussion Competition was organized by Full Marks Private Limited from 14th September 2020 to 22nd September 2020. Students from different schools from India including RKKGPS participated enthusiastically and exchanged their ideas. This 45 minutes call was organized on three levels namely, Regional, Zonal and National level. Lomisha Khetani of Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School, Jodhpur expressed her views on the topic "Social Impact of Coronavirus" for the first level and "Priceless Wealth of Forest Nature" for the second level where she managed to qualify for the Regional as well as Zonal level.

The entire schedule was well planned with knowledgeable discussions that facilitated experiential learning. It was an ecstatic and a whole new experience whereby everyone came up with their comprehensive and debating abilities and competed in an eco-friendly manner. It was wonderful to be a part of this miraculous competition and interact with students from all over India.



30. 7TH MGDMUN "ENLIVEN TO EMANCIPATE.

On 6th and 7th of October 2020, Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls' School hosted their 7th MGDMUN with the theme 'Enliven To Emancipate'. The Opening Ceremony of this mega event took place on 5th of October with delegates participating from different schools and countries. Honourable Rani Vidhya Ji, The President of MGD started the ceremony by lighting the lamp followed by a delightful message to all the delegates. Thereafter, Mrs. Jane Himmath Singhji and Mrs. Durlabh Ji, members Board of Governors, addressed the students. A virtual Cultural Dance performance by the students of MGD School was a visual treat. The Principal of MGD School, Mrs. Archana Mankotia addressed all the schools and their delegates, followed by a heartfelt speech by the Chief Guest, Mrs. Savitri Kunnadi, The former Ambassador to Peru and Bolivia from 1986 to 1989 and the first lady of Rajasthan to join the foreign services. Then, it was the introduction of all the delegates and faculty advisors of the participating schools. A video message from all the participating schools was played. The Secretary General of the MGDMUN, Himia Dave declared the opening of the MUN. The two days' conference with seven different Committees gave a huge platform to all the delegates to debate and meet delegates of different schools and countries. The Closing Ceremony on 7th of October 2020 mentioned delegates whose debates were highly acclaimed. Suhani Baheti of RKK received a Verbal Mention in the CCPCJ Committee. The MUN Coordinator of the host school proposed a Vote of Thanks. This was followed by the School Anthem and then the National Anthem. Participating students from Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School were Nehal Gehlot, Shruti Rathi, Ridhima Khajanchi, Udita Singh, Suhani Baheti, Hardika Champawat, Reet Goyal, Akshata Acharya, Harshita Saraswat, Preksha Purohit and Ankita Anand. The conference not only gave the students a chance to meet new people and put their points as a country delegate but it also showed them where they lacked and flawed, at the same time, they found ways to overcome them.



31. THE SUNBEAM SCHOOL, LAHARTARA (ROUND SQUARE ZOOM POSTCARD CALL).

With an aim to help the students get full exposure in life and involve them in different Virtual Conferences to extract wonderful lessons and new ideas from life, Sunbeam School, Varanasi, India organised a Round Square Zoom Postcard Call on 7th October 2020. The delegates exchanged wonderful experiences by displaying many melodious musical performances that enriched everyone's soul and they were educated with information about many famous classical musicians known worldwide. Students were distributed into different breakout rooms named after all the famous musicians Varanasi has ever had. It was exhilarating! In one breakout room called the Anand Kanan, The students had a playful game of throwing an imaginary fruit and introducing themselves. This was followed by all the participants describing their different musical heritages and cultures which instilled in the young generation a sense of pride for the beautiful diverse culture of India. Aadya Vivek of RKKGPS played on Guitar and another delegate sang a melodious song. As we moved towards the end, a faculty member of the host school proposed a Vote of Thanks. There were 17 schools that participated in this Postcard Call. The Conference ended with a joyful chanting of Har Har Mahadev.

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32. **SUSTAINABLE INTERNATIONALISM (THE INDIAN SCHOOLS ROUNDTABLE ORGANIZED BY SCOONEWS)**. Educational standards have figured prominently in recent debates over the new educational policy and elsewhere. There lies scope to talk about the nature of standards and available frameworks with reference to the measurement of standards for Indian schools.

Another crucial aspect has been the connection between schools and higher education institutions for capacity building. Collaboration is a process and not an event and now is also the best time to develop long-term school-university partnerships that make a difference to school students, teachers, University faculties, researchers, and research.

The Indian Schools Roundtable organized by Scoonews on **30th** September enabled stakeholders to deliberate on how Indian schools can sustainable internationalisation and global approach operating standards. There was participation from all the elite institutions pan India. Mrs Sapna Gupta, Dean Exchange Programs from RKK represented the Principal, Mrs Neera Singh. It was a great learning experience to hear from:

Jason Newman, Vice President - Client Development, QS Intelligence Unit (QSIU).

Coleen Stillman - Cheng, Deputy Director, International Marketing and recruitment (acting), The University of Queensland

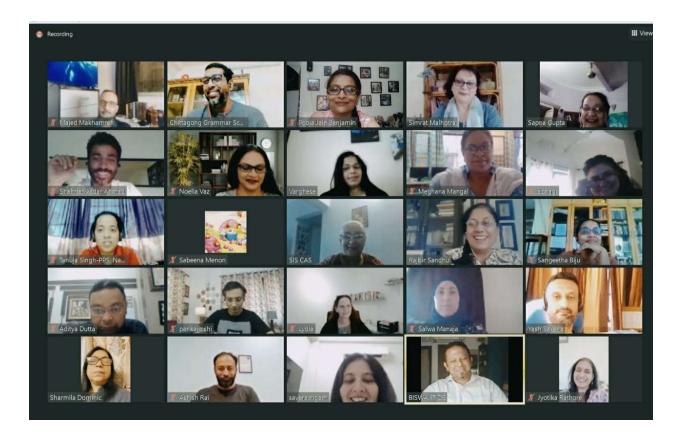
Dr. Arunabh Singh (Session Chair), Director, NWS Ghaziabad and Chairperson, FICCT, ARISE, UP Western.

Nishi Mishra, Principal Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya and Chairperson, IPSC

Dr. Ashok Pandey, Director, Ahlcon Group of Schools Mahesh Balakrishnan, Development and Recognition Manager, North India, International Baccalaureate (IBO)

Sameer Arora, Vice Principal, Legacy School, Bangalore

The session also had interactive means throughout the conference to gather inputs and feedback to help stakeholders to work on major policy frameworks related to schools.

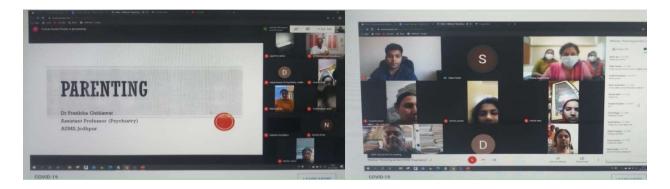


33 AWARENESS SESSION BY DR PRATIBHA FROM AIIMS, JODHPUR.

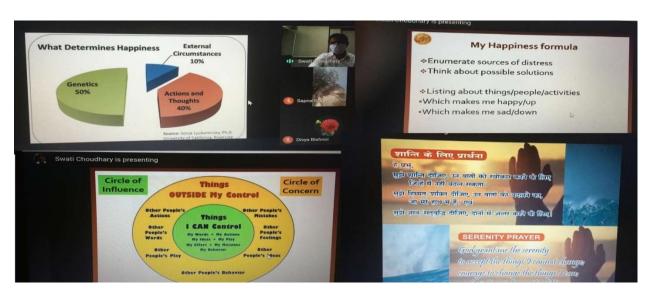
The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has brought with it new challenges for families across the globe. Parenting has always been tough, but home schooling, working from home and all the financial uncertainty surrounding COVID-19 has made it even tougher. But in this situation it is very important for all of us to understand this is unique situation and we all are facing a health emergency that we have never seen before. So to facilitate appropriate nurturing of children and proper parenting, RKK came up with possible solutions through a Webinar in association with Child Psychologists of AIIMS, Jodhpur. On 9th October 2020, Parents and Teachers of students studying in Class Nursery to V from 11 a.m. to 12 noon joined the session conducted by Dr Pratibha, Dr Tushar, Dr Kusum and Dr Joshi to discuss the topic, 'Parenting amidst Covid-19 Pandemic' with solutions to problems like:-

- (a) What constitutes wellbeing in the current situation?
- (b) How can we as parents manage our anxieties in a positive and proactive way? What is 'normal' and what to be concerned about?

The session ended with positive solutions prevalent to the existing issues of good parenting during this testing time.



AWARENESS SESSION BY DR NARESH NEBHINANI FROM AIIMS. 34. As the effects of Covid-19 continue to unfold itself, it will leave its permanent impression on the society and economies pan globe and reshape the The most affected group in the society are the children and the adolescents, who actually are coping with significant anxiety, stress and disruptions in their daily lives as a result of the pandemic which includes the closing down of schools and colleges, social isolation and many more. To help these adolescents manage their stress and frustration, RKK came up with a lively interaction session with Dr Naresh Nebhinani, Child Psychologist from AIIMS Jodhpur to help them in building better resilience for their overall well being. On the occasion of World Health Day, on 10th of October, from 11 am to 12 noon, the teachers and students of Class 9 and 11, with Doctor Naresh Nebhinani, Dr Swati, Dr Esha, Dr Tushar, Dr Joshi covered the topic, 'Science of Happiness: Supporting Resilience & Tapping Opportunities for our Children & Adolescents' They discussed solutions to mitigate the increased risk of developing mental health problems and strategies to look after our mental health, to provide an insight into what is "normal" and the area of concern.



35. AFS, INDIA- QUIZ COMPETITION.

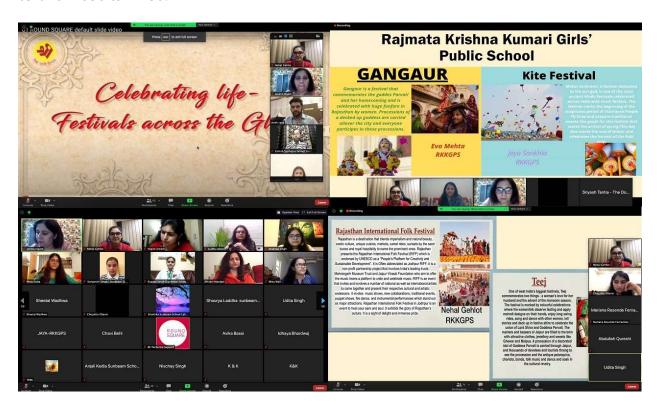
Looking at the opportunities in new ways help us to pave our path and face the challenges in future. On 17th October, Pragnya Bodhini School, Mumbai hosted AFS Quiz Competition on Google Meet platform. The Quiz topic for Grade 8th was "United Nations", an International Organization that aims to maintain international cooperation and be a centre for harmonizing the actions of nations. This was an amazing topic for the students to enhance their knowledge of the United Nations. It was an opportunity to help young minds to look for solutions to various issues of the world. Lavina Bhawani from RKK participated in this Quiz Competition .

The topic of the Quiz for Grade 9th was 'Sustainable Development goals formed by the United Nations'. SGDs are a universal call for action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030. This was a wonderful opportunity for the students to learn about SGDs and implement them in their lives. Nehal Gehlot from RKK bagged the 1st position in the West Zone. This Quiz enabled the students to know more about the current important topics and stacked them with knowledge and information.



36 **THE SHRI RAM SCHOOL (RS POSTCARD CALL).** On 14th of October 2020, The Shri Ram School (Aravali) organized a Round Square Postcard Call on the topic 'Celebrating Life- Festivals Across the Globe'. Twelve elite national and international member schools of Round Square from India, USA, Brazil, Bangladesh, Oman, Jordan, Pakistan and UK participated in this event which started with the introduction of the participating schools. The Principal of the host school addressed the gathering and welcomed them followed by a Video Presentation on the theme. The participating schools were invited to present their video on festivals of their city.

It was an expressive and interactive way to exchange about each other's heritage, culture and traditions. All the participating schools took pride in displaying their festivals which included Onam, Gangaur, Teej, Rajasthan International Folk Festival, Kite Festival etc. There were graceful dance performances and soulful musical performances of their tradition. It is well said that the greatness of a culture can be seen in its festivals. All the participants enjoyed to learn about the different festivals celebrated across the globe and learnt the story, history and motto of these festivals. After the session of 90 minutes, the postcard call was over but the participants Nehal Gehlot, Eva Mehta, Jaya Sankhla, Udita Singh, Shruti Rathi and their Teacher Incharge, Mrs Vani Jangid from RKK availed the opportunity of knowing about the festivals across the globe and the importance of these festivals which added to their social lives.



37 ALL **INDIA** GLOBAL **JIGYASA** OUIZ 2.0 **ORGANIZED SKILLSPHERE EDUCATION**. The core objective of the principles of RKK is engaging, participating and above all learning. So to keep the ball rolling, a group of three students of RKK namely Java Sankhla, Nehal Gehlot and Shruti Rathi participated in the 'All India Global Jigyasa Quiz 2.0'. The Quiz was organized by Skillsphere Education, an organization that aims at holistic development and knowledge enhancement of the students. 90 students from over 30 schools and 13 cities joined this Quiz. All the guizzes were conducted through zoom and also streamed live on Facebook.

At the dawn of 14th October 2020, all the students with cheerful hearts waited for the evening, when the Pre-Quarter Finals of the Quiz was supposed to start, the participants were acquainted with the necessary details of the Quiz. After explanation of the rules of conduct, the Quiz began with mind boggling questions.

After the session was over, only 16 students had qualified. Though Nehal Gehlot and Shruti Rathi couldn't qualify, Jaya Sankhla entered into the Quarter Finals that took place on 16th October. Unfortunately Jaya Sankhla couldn't qualify for the next round.

Anyways, there was a lot to gain from such quizzes. We came to learn that it is more important to participate than to win. Struggle is more valuable than triumph.



38. **SETH ANANDRAM JAIPURIA SCHOOL (COMFEST).** "Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardour and attended with diligence" - Abigail Adams

Seth Anandram Jaipuria School, Kanpur organised a four day virtual mega event - COMFEST 2020 from 15th October to 18th October 2020 which provided the schools from different parts of India a platform to showcase their mettle in 32 different events enveloping various subjects.

Many IPSC schools namely Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School Jodhpur, Sunbeam School Varanasi, City Montessori School Lucknow, L.K Singhania School Gotan, Navrachna School Sama Gujarat, Pathways School Gurgaon, The Punjab Public School Nabha, Seth Anandram Jaipuria School Ghaziabad, Chittagong Grammar School (Bangladesh), La Martiniere Girls' College Lucknow and many renowned schools of Kanpur participated in the cluster of events.

Shri Kalraj Mishra, Honourable Governor of Rajasthan was invited as the Chief Guest to inaugurate the Techno Cultural Extravaganza. He read out the fundamental duties before inaugurating the event. All the members of Jaipuria School Committee were present to grace the occasion.

A team of 14 students from RKK participated in 25 events and left no stone unturned to prove their abilities by competing with 700 students from 40 prestigious schools of India. It is a matter of joy that our girls participated with full gusto and enthusiasm and brought laurels to the school by winning many prizes in different events.

Sanika Kakkar won second position in "Minds of Kinds" and "flick Vignette", Kashish Goplani and Sanika Kakkar won the Second Position in Doodling and 3D Sketching respectively. Shauryanshi Singh bagged the third position in the "Pencil Brains". Kirti Kanwar Bhati won the third position in the event named "Piscel". Divya ladha got second position in "Video Editing". Anishka Anand won the third position in "Cyber Etching. Kirti Soni and Paridhi Jain as a team secured the third position in "Gambit". Kirti Soni qualified for the first round. All were given E-Certificates. Navrachna School, Sama, Gujarat was the overall winner of the event.

Every day in the evening, the host school organised few events like COMFEST informals, Entertainment evening and few games to engage the participating schools to exhibit their talent besides the activities they were participating in. All were invited to join the evening through different links.

All in all, it was an enriching experience for Team RKK. Hope the same fervour continues in the coming events too.

In the words of Brian Traly - "Those people who develop the ability to continuously acquire new and better forms of knowledge that they can apply to their lives will be movers and shakers in our society".



39. **UNESCO WORLD TALES COMPETITION (AFS, INDIA).** UNESCO and Idries Shah Foundation (ISF) in collaboration with International coalition of inclusive and sustainable cities of UNESCO (ICCAR) provided a global and ingenious platform to young students to portray their imagination and creative mind-sets in penning down a short story with the background of Covid-19 pandemic, consequences and solutions.

RKKians - Nikita Vijayan, Jaya Sankhla and Nehal Gehlot participated in this World Tales Competition on the theme "Once Upon A Time In My Future"... Participating in the competition provided a wonderful creativity tool to help the students strengthen their elements of fictional thoughts, experimenting character and yet remaining focused.



40. **LEX QUEST ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION (NLU JODHPUR)** Legal Aid and Awareness Committee of NLU Jodhpur (LAAC) is a student run body spreading legal awareness. In order to motivate the school students to develop an understanding of legal regime of India, the LAAC organized **Lex Quest Essay Writing Competition** with the deadline as 15th October 2020.

Nehal Gehlot, Jaya Sankhla, Divya Vishnoi and Nandini Shekhawat of Class IX, Bhavi Kumbhat, Kanak Joshi and Shagun Varshney of Class X, Ridhima Khajanchi, Kashish Goplani and Nandini Arya of Class XI from Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School, Jodhpur took active part in it. There were two categories. Category 1 comprised students from Class IX and X and Category 2 for participants from Class XI and XII. Category 1 was given to write an essay of 900 to 1200 words on the topic "Virtual Education: Impact on students and suitability in India". Category 2 was supposed to write an essay on "Impact of New Education Policy: Are any further reforms needed?". It was a virtual writing competition and a brilliant opportunity to learn, grow, foster curiosity towards legal rights, duties and legal responsibilities as citizens. It was a proud moment for RKK when Jaya Sankhla bagged the prize of 1st Runners Up and cash Rs. 3000/- to her credit winning laurels for herself and RKK.

- 41. 1ST A.W.E. WINLAW STORY WRITING (CADET COLLEGE. **HASANABDAL**). A child's education should remain and continue unabated, but this pandemic brought about disruption in the education of the children. Parents, Teachers, Schools are coming up with different ways to cope up with this crisis, and in lieu of this, Cadet College, Hasanabdal (Pakistan) organized an amaging event. It was 1st A.W.E. Winlaw Story Writing with the deadline on 15th of October 2020 to help the students to enhance their Writing Skills. The theme of the event was 'Internationalism' and 5 students participated from Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School, Jodhpur. This event helped the students to sharpen their thinking as well as Writing Skills. participants were Nehal Gehlot, Gauri Baxi, Himanshi Soni, Sumriddhi Sharma and Bhavi Kumbhat. This event proved immensely instrumental in helping the students to explore things beyond their imagination and create stories.
- 42. RIVERDALE COUNTRY SCHOOL, NEW YORK (ROUND SQUARE ZOOM POSTCARD CALL). "Knowledge is the only treasure that increases on sharing". The exchange of information helps us to grow intellectually, spiritually and culturally. On 21st October at 5:30pm (IST), Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School attended the Zoom Postcard Call conducted by the Riverdale Country School, New York. The members of the team were Ridhima Khajanchi, Khushboo Vyas, Aanya Agarwal, Nandini Shekhawat, Harshita Haryal and Aadyaa Vivek. There were 128 participants from 20 schools. Students were engrossed and intrigued to see though different yet how similar they all were. Everyone was distributed into breakout rooms where views were shared on Art,

in general. This imbibed in them so many cultural values, as they found the inspiration for their art works. Finally the participants returned to the main meeting and had a wholesome discussion on "**How art inspires you**?". The conference ended with showing gratitude to the host school and Round Square.



43 SISMUN-REVETING DEBATING. Singapore International School organized a Debate Competition from 24th and 25th October 2020 on the occasion of their 11th Annual MUN. Once again 10 students from RKK exhibited their best debating skills on the theme 'PLURAL VOICES SINGLE **HUMANITY'** It was truly inspired by 75th Anniversary of cataclysm that were the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki as well as UN75 and influenced by an unprecedented situation following the COVID 19. Bhumika Ayani, Jaya Sankhla, Hiya Khichi, Deeksha Garg, Udita Singh, Tanvi Jain, Shruti Rathi, Eva Mehta, Divya Vishnoi and Gunjan Jangid of Class IX from RKK participated in this event. Participants were enthralled with an opportunity to prepare themselves with the tools required to move forward to a better world and bright future. It also helped the students to develop diplomatic

communication and negotiation skills to build an adroit personality. Delegates were successful in finding extraordinary solution to the problem with country being the second priority and the world being the first.



44. **E.A. MUNC 2020**. On 24th and 25th of October 2020, Indian School Al Ghubra hosted the 5th Edition of the E. Ahamed Model United Nations Conference on a virtual platform. This was attended by 47 schools across 10 countries around the globe. His Excellency Munu Mahawar, Ambassador of India to the Sultanate of Oman was the Chief Guest for the Opening Ceremony. In his address, he stated that on the 75th anniversary of the formation of the United Nations, the youth should understand that multilateralism is the only way forward for humanity. In her address, Her Excellency, Deepa Gopalan Wadhwa, the Guest of Honour and the Keynote Speaker highlighted the importance of the UN as a symbol of hope and belief in the intrinsic goodness of the human race.

His Excellency, Indra Mani Pandey, India's Permanent Representative to the UN was the Chief Guest for the Closing Ceremony. In his address, he mentioned about many global issues like terrorism, climate change, realisation of sustainable development goals, promotion, protection of our human rights and how UN is playing a vital role in dealing with these issues. Dr. P Mohamed Ali, Founder of ISG, the Guest of Honour, in his speech encouraged the delegates to spread the message of equality, peace and understanding in the world.

Mr. Ahmed Rayees, President -ISG and Chairman of E.A.MUNC hoped that the Conference would remain a memorable experience and would inspire the delegates to seek leadership positions in the UN.

Nitu Andrews Machilath, the Head Girl and Mohammad Khuroo, the Head Boy hosted the Opening and Closing Ceremony.

The theme of the Conference being 'Getting Ahead of Global Challenges', the 432 delegates deliberated upon challenging global issues such as-addressing territorial, commercial and military claims in the Arctic, regulating private military contractors, combating illicit organ trafficking, eradicating forced labour, improving and implementing of food security systems in Africa. The intense research and preparation by the delegates bore fruit, as the issues were deliberated upon from diverse perspectives and consensus reached through skilful negotiations.

Awards such as Outstanding Diplomacy, Diplomacy, Best Position Paper and Verbal Mentions were awarded to the delegates.

The Principal, Mrs. Papri Ghosh proposing the vote of thanks expressed her gratitude to the Ambassadors who shared their extensive experience in the world of diplomacy which immeasurably enhanced the value of the Conference. She thanked the Heads of the participating schools and the student delegates for their enthusiastic participation. She also thanked team E.A.MUNC for sparing no effort in hosting a successful and memorable Virtual Conference.

