Newsletter

March 2023





A peep into the activities of the month

Fun Races (Classes Prep & KG -2022-23)

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy"

Keeping the sportsman spirit alive, the Fun Races for the Kintergarteners and Preppies was organised on the last working day of the session i.e. **2nd March 2023.** The event was a major hit as children as well as the teachers enjoyed to the hilt. Various Fun Races of the day were as follows:

KG A: Lady Bug Race - Magic Wand Race

KG B: Shape Race - Ball Race

KG C: Link it up - Blooming Flowers

KG D: Buddy Pair Race - Cluck and Go Race

Prep A: Tribal Treasure Hunt Race - Burst the Rainbow Colours Race

Prep B: Catch the Fishes - Feed the cow

Prep C: Wormzilla Race - Jungle Book Race

Prep D: Balancing the Balloons - Tooti Fruity Race

After a power packed performance by each and every Pre Primer which was well applauded by the Deans, Teachers and Students of Class I - V, then came the dance performance by Class III, IV, V followed by fun Races for Teachers. Children were excited to receive their participation Certificates and Medals at the end of this action packed day which was a day to remember.





















Farewell (Class V - Boys - 2022-23)

On **2nd March 2023,** Farewell for boys was organized by the girls of Class V A/B/C/D. This event was conducted under the able guidance of Primary Dean (Academics) – Mrs Neeta Johari where the girls expressed their feelings and good wishes through dances. The boys expressed their feelings by singing a melodious friendship song, dancing to the tunes of 'Tere jaisa yaar kahan' and sharing their experiences about their wonderful years spent at RKK. The ceremony was attended by Principal Mrs. Neera Singh who motivated and blessed the boys with her kind words and inspired them to lead a fruitful life prioritizing truth and humanity wherever they go. The Class teachers read the citations for the boys which were presented by the Principal Ma'am to them.





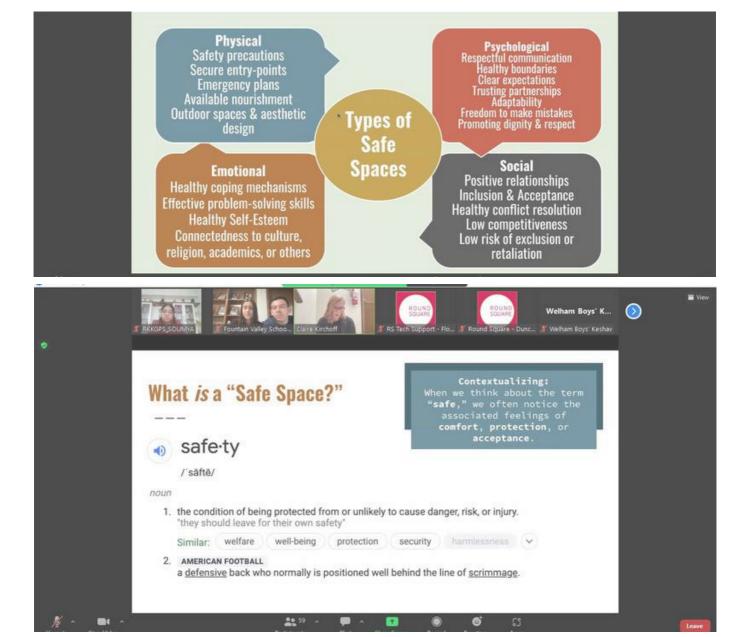




Fountain Valley School, USA (RS Zoom Postcard)

"The world can only seem a safe space when we feel safe inside it"

Round Square Zoom Postcard on the theme, "Safe spaces: Where we all belong" was organised by Fountain Valley School, USA on 8th March 2023. Students from RKK were, Aadyaa Vivek, Kimaya Parihar, Riya Sharma, Suhani Lodha, Deeksha Garg, Virika Mehta along with their student incharge Soumya Joshi, who participated with an eagerness to learn and exchange ideas. In this 90-minute call, first the host defined the meaning of a safe space in broader horizon and then all participants were sent to their respective Barraza rooms. Participants were asked many icebreaker questions such as "What is a safe space?", "How can one create a safe space in their surroundings?", "Why is a safe space really necessary?", "How can we preserve that safe space?", "What are the major characteristics a safe place requires?" etc. The room was filled with ideas and candidates gave remarkable replies. There was a thorough discussion and each delegates gave an astonishing definition of safe space and expressed their safe space incredibly, after which all returned to the main call and gave a summary of what all had discussed and learnt. With the grief to bid goodbye but the joy of acquiring knowledge, the call soon came to an end.





The Daly College, Indore (RS Service Project at Panna Tiger Reserve)

Day one of the DC Community Service and Environment Awareness Project at Khajuraho from 14th to 17th March 2023 saw the arrival of delegates from different schools throughout the nation with The Daly College, Indore hosting delegates from Round Square member schools at The Ken River Lodge. RKK's team consisted of seven delegates - Anadya Jain, Akshi Singhvi, Virika Mehta, Suhani Lodha, Tanvi Shah, Yashvi Tater, Bhavya Bhadu and their Escort Teacher Mrs Sapna Gupta arrived where the surrounding environment captivated them to a great extent. A famous wildlife environmentalist, Dr. Ragunandan Chundawat, led an educational Orientation Session. Dr. Chundawat spoke with the students about the value of ecotourism, protecting wildlife, and preserving tigers. The second day began with the delegates calmly cruising down the Ken River while admiring the mesmerizing sunrise. The delegates were split into three groups after getting ready. The first one went to the Government Primary School in Basata, where they decorated the walls of the building with eye-catching patterns and colors. The second one visited a different government school to plant trees .The third one circulated pamphlets spreading awareness of the health camp and instructing local residents on proper menstrual hygiene for women. After conducting a campaign in the neighbouring community and setting up the camp for the next day, the delegates went back to Ken River Lodge for a well deserved rest. In the morning after a delicious breakfast, the delegates moved on to Government Primary School Basata to host the health camp. Residents of the community happily signed up for the free healthcare services being offered as the Inauguration Ceremony came to a close. Before seeing a doctor, the patients had eye, dental, and health exams performed by trained delegates. The needy also received free prescription medication and eyewear. The delegates were pleased to see the smiles on the faces of the community members as they served them. The last and final day was dedicated to exploring the various sights of Khajuraho. Students first went on an adventurous Safari where they saw majestic animals of all shapes and sizes. This followed a trip to the jungle with a visit to a temple and Khajuraho was left with new memories and new experiences and a wish to learn more.







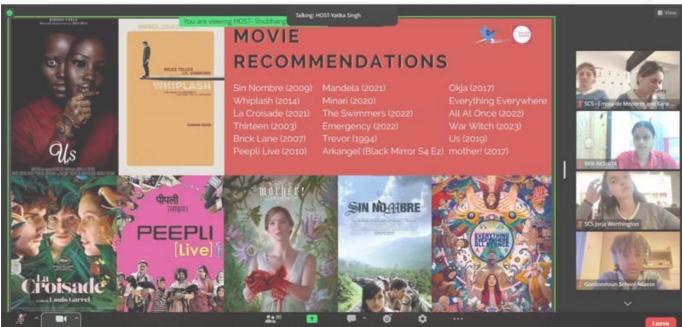




Welham Girls' School, Dehradun (RS Zoom Postcard)

The RS Postcard Conference held by **Welham Girls' School, Dehradun** was conducted on **15th March 2023.** It revolved around the topic **"Small World, Big Films: Tackling global issues through the medium of films".** RKK's participants were *Ojaswini Rathore, Avishi Pancholy, Paridhi Mehta, Jitika Singh, Akshita Bishnoi and Bhavya Baid with their Adult Incharge - Santosh Kanwar.* This 90 minutes' session took the participants into the world of cinematics and made them see the global issues with a different perspective. Firstly they were shown a presentation made by the host school depicting movies that tackled global issues and then were given a quiz about it. Delegates were segregated in different breakout rooms where the icebreaker conversation touched each possible issue with the medium of interaction. At the end the resolutions were portrayed which were assimilated from each Barraza group. This was a very fruitful meeting and it gave an insight and the thought to ponder upon that 'if we see movies with a positive view we can get a positive turn over for our life and society'.







Teachers' Interactive Session (by Ms Nupur Goyal)

Date: 15th March 2023

Audience: Teachers Teaching Classes VI to XII

Introduction: The interactive session was organized by Ms. Nupur to introduce **ChatGPT**, **speechto-text**, **and Google Lens to teachers** and explain their use in teaching. The session was attended by a group of enthusiastic teachers.

Presentation: Ms. Nupur started the session by introducing ChatGPT and explaining its capabilities. She explained how the model is designed to understand natural language text, how the model can be used to generate human-like text and how it can be trained to perform specific tasks. Next, Ms. Nupur demonstrated how ChatGPT can be used to enhance the learning experience of students. She showed how the model can be used to generate questions and answers related to a specific topic. She also showed how it can be used to generate summaries of text and how it can be used to generate creative writing prompts. Ms Goyal then introduced the concept of Speech-to-Text Technology and how it can be used in teaching. She explained how teachers can use this technology to convert spoken words into text, which can be useful for students who have difficulty with handwriting or typing. She demonstrated how to use speech-to-text technology on a smartphone. Finally, the benefits of using Google Lens in teaching were discussed. She explained how teachers can use this tool to identify objects, search for information, and translate text in real-time. She also demonstrated how to use Google Lens on a smartphone.

Discussion: After the presentation, teachers had a discussion where the they shared their thoughts and opinions on the use of ChatGPT, speech-to-text, and Google Lens in teaching. Some teachers expressed concerns about the reliability of the technology and how it may impact the development of students' language skills. However, most teachers were excited about the possibilities of using these tools in the classroom.

Conclusion: In conclusion, the interactive session was a success as it provided teachers with an insight into the potential of ChatGPT, speech-to-text, and Google Lens in teaching. The teachers left the session with a better understanding of how these tools work and how they can be used to enhance the learning experience of students. The session also sparked discussions on the potential applications of these tools in various subjects and how they can be used to personalize learning. Overall, the session was an informative and engaging one.





Teachers' Art Workshop (by Mr Yatheesh Kasargod)

An Art Integrated Learning Workshop was conducted by Mr Yatheesh Kasargod on 16th March 2023 in the Senior Computer Lab for the staff of RKK. He started the workshop by defining the word 'Art' that Art is an Active Release Technique, which in its various forms relaxes mind and body. He further added that art can be divided into two - Visual and Non visual. Visual Art comprises Drawing, Painting, Sculpture, Graphics, Textiles etc whereas Non Visual Art comprises Drama, Music, Dance, Prose, Poetry, Reading etc. Moreover, there are seven elements of Art, which are Line, Shape, Form, Space, Texture, Value and Colour. The main principles of design are Balance, Unity, Variety, Emphasis, Movement, Pattern and Proportion. He further talked about integration of art with different subjects. Overall, the workshop was a successful integration of enhancing the thinking skills of the educators making them learn different ways to incorporate art in their respective subjects.







Round Square School Five-Year Reflection

In the vibrant journey of a Round Square School, there comes a time for reflections on new learnings and experiences through creative and purposeful activities related to IDEALS. In order to connect with RKK's community and to offer support and appreciation for all the good work that RKKians do, Round Square Support Director, Ms Rajbir Sandhu, South Asia & Gulf Region visited the school on 28th March 2023.

During the course of the day she had meetings with

- a) The Head and the Rep.
- b) Members of the Board.
- c) Key Faculty members who engage with activities related to IDEALS.
- d) Student Council and RS Student Committee.
- e) Parents of Students and separately with parents whose children are participating in RSIC 2023.

The entire day was very engaging and fruitful. The interactions with all were very meaningful, which gave the support Director an insight about the best practices of school and RKK's functioning and methodology. This 'Reflections' was a platform for real time information to assess the quality of work, ensuring that RKK is meeting the required standards for 21st Century Global Citizenship.









Dhirubhai Ambani International School, Mumbai (RS Zoom Postcard)

Dhirubai Ambani International School, Mumbai hosted a RS Zoom Postcard with the theme "Where words fail, music speaks" on 29th March 2023. RKK's team comprised the following six students-Aaditri Bhattacherjee, Tanishka Jain, Sneha Bansal, Khyati Rathi, Aleena Khan and Nivedita Singh Bhati along with the Student Adult Incharge, Aarohi Bhattacherjee. The call started with the introduction of the school, presenting the idea behind the reason for the Postcard. This was followed by a short speech given by Mr. Sanket Guha and Mr. Armaan Biviji about their genres and what the future of music looks like. Thereafter, all the students were divided into various breakout rooms, along with 2 students from the host school. There were numerous games related to songs, genres, and sounds. This was followed by a short discussion on music, in general. The meeting concluded with a round of questions asked by students. The students expanded their knowledge and had a great time. On the whole, it was a very enriching and enthralling experience for each member of RKK's team.









Teachers' Interactive Session (by Dr Kirit Krishna Vyas)

An interactive workshop on **29th March 2023** was held on school for understanding Health, Diabetes, Thyroid and Hormonal issues in human bodies. Guest Speaker was a renowned Specialist in Diabetes, Thyroid and Harmones – **Dr Kirit Krishna Vyas** - **A graduate from S. N. Medical College, Jodhpur**, Post-Graduation from Safdarjung Hospital New Delhi, who has worked in AIIMS New Delhi in Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism and currently is a Private Practitioner in Jodhpur. He addressed many issues pertaining to an unhealthy life style and urged the staff of RKK to devote some time to themselves and monitor their health. Pros & Cons were shared by him in terms of eating habits and food. Overall, RKK was honoured to have his blissful presence in school to share his insights, experiences and guidance on healthy life style.









Teachers' Workshop (by Mr Sachin Sharma, CBSE Resource Person)

Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School Jodhpur in collaboration with CBSE organized a workshop on sensitization program on Financial literacy and use of "Digital Tools" on 29th March 2023. The workshop was attended by teachers from CBSE hub schools. CBSE Resource Person, Mr Sachin Sharma explained the importance of financial literacy to the gathering. He enlightened the teachers how to do systematic planning, balancing today's needs with goals for future, managing taxes, preparing for retirement, unexpected emergencies and adapting changes in circumstances and needs. He elaborated on banking and different kinds of accounts that are profitable for us. He further talked about Digital banking, its pros and cons and safety measures to be taken while transaction. CBSE coordinator of the school Jai Prakash Narayan stated that CBSE Hub Schools have taken the initiative to awaken the community about relevant issues that has been mostly ignored. Around 200 teachers from Rajmata School, RS Memorial International School, Air Force School, Saint Patricks Vidhya Bhawan, G S Jangid Memorial School and Career Point World School participated in the workshop.







CBSE Training Programme

(by Dr. Mayank Bohra, CBSE Resource Person)

On 31st March 2023, a workshop on 'Happy Teachers, Happy Classrooms' was conducted by Dr. Mayank Bohra, CBSE Resource Person and HoD, Biology department, DPS, Pal Road at Rajmata Krishna Kumari Girls' Public School.Dr Bohra was welcomed by the CBSE Co-ordinator of the school, Mr. JP Narayan. Dr. Bohra emphasised that teachers need to put in efforts to make the classroom a happy place. In fact teachers must be excellent actors who must learn about emotional intelligence and strategies for self-regulation. The resource person shared a few interesting acronyms like, STOPP: Stop Take a Breath Observe Pull Back Practice and Proceed; CARE: Code of of Professionalism, Acquire Knowledge about students, Reflect, Engage with Colleagues and Students.

It was an enriching session in which teachers learnt that happiness is a feeling and teachers must care for the students. Happiness stays beyond the classrooms too. Teachers must enhance learning without threatening because at the end of the day, optimum learning must take place and it is happiness that counts.

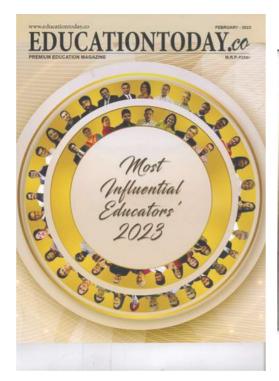






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