



# CHRONICLE

## From the Principal's Desk.....



*The basic concern of school education is to enable children to make sense of LIFE and develop their POTENTIAL and promote VALUES that foster PEACE, HUMANENESS and TOLERANCE in a multicultural society.*

– Vineet Joshi (Ex-Chairman, CBSE)

## COPING WITH EXAMS

We are at the fag end of the academic year and exams are round the corner. It is the time of assessments and exams. Students take various examinations and tests throughout the year. Exams assess how much they know and the result of the exam tells us where they stand. A well written exam surely fetches great results. For writing an exam well students should have perfect preparation and a burning desire to succeed. The importance of presentation and handwriting is an integral part of success.

It is more important to enjoy examinations and parents have an important role to play in this regard. It is the parents who can ensure that the atmosphere at home is not conducive to raising stress, anxiety and concern.

Children live in a very exciting world which is colourful, expressive, humorous and filled with laughter. Let us not trample with their little joys by letting them to sit and study for long hours in back breaking conditions, dumping them in coaching institutions and tuition centres and making them go through the grind of online or other preparatory tests! I have often wondered why examinations cannot be a time of celebration and sharing the joy of learning that one has acquired over a period of time from teachers, peers and parents. Let all of us allow our children to breathe, to grow, to experience the joys of childhood once again, to play, to be relaxed at school and home and finally GROW INTO GOOD HUMAN BEINGS.

K. M Abdul Azeez

## Chairman's Words

*"Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new"*  
– Albert Einstein



The above quote is well connected with creativity and innovation. Creativity is thinking new things and innovation is doing new things. When I was a child, I thought I could do anything. Especially in terms of creativity, as children our skills are unlimited. Why does creativity stop at a certain age? It actually stops as soon as we become conscious of ourselves. We start thinking that our mistakes are our failures—and that these failures tell us and other people that we are not competent, that we are not worthy.

In order to overcome these inhibitions and boundaries, it is our responsibility to develop a creative mindset in ourselves, so that we can enjoy our efforts and welcome the struggles.

IIPS has always excelled in all aspects of education and it is truly the efforts of our students, that has contributed towards the success of our school.

Our newsletter 'Chronicle' is an opportunity for students and teachers to develop their creative mindset and become innovators! On behalf of Managing Committee, I take this opportunity to appreciate the Principal, teachers and students for their contributions and strong sense of commitment towards releasing this newsletter. I also assure the sincere support of the Managing committee abet this endeavor.

**Navaz Abdul Rasheed**  
Chairman Managing Committee

*"It is a wonderful thing to be optimistic. It keeps you healthy and it keeps you resilient."*  
– Daniel Kaheman

## Optimism - An elixir for success

Dear Students

Live life with a solid foundation and the road to success will be smooth, said William Silver. I truly believe that his words are applicable to each and every human being. No matter what the circumstances, the very core of our being lies firmly in the strong foundation embedded in us by our parents and teachers. The foundation of love, strength, gratitude and joy in seeing everything around us will definitely remain with us till the very end. All we need is to face life with steadfast optimism at all times. Today, living life in its completeness is not a utopian dream. Life has always been simple, beautiful and meaningful. It provides a plethora of hidden opportunities to every individual to dream, discover and explore. It unfurls its secrets and mysteries, when we rush toward it with open arms to embrace all the blessings and challenges it has to offer us. At times, life also throws obstacles and adversities in our path. No doubt, sometimes we are knocked down but if there is something that makes us overcome difficulties in our path or see fear in the eye, it is only optimism. Nothing or no one can snatch away our dreams if we persist in our endeavours with sheer hardwork, perseverance and going the extra mile to fulfil our goals. Optimism acts as an antidote to counter negativity during tough times. It keeps our hopes alive and pushes us to step out of our comfort zone to help us conquer our dreams. Our strong foundation acts as our strength and armour to defeat, defeat. Respect life at all times with optimism and it will return every blessing in abundance. Remember, regardless of the trying times, always stay optimistic and spread positivity wherever you go. The world needs you to make a difference. When you love everything you do, you will sparkle and shine from within. This aura of yours will help you face the world with a feeling of 'déjà vu'.



**Shabana Parveen**  
Vice Principal

## Education – The Best Return of your Investment

As I am planning to pursue a career in engineering, and assess my life thus far, I can really see how education is the best thing that has ever happened to me. It has opened my eyes to who I am, it has shown me what I really want to do, and has shown what I can potentially give back to society. I have realized that the only person who truly controls how educated I am, is me!

I have learnt and realized that Education knows no race, no class, or no shortcuts and there are no young and old in education. In a society where being mediocre or just "good enough" isn't going to get you much, education is what sets you apart and allows you to pursue whatever you want in life.

All of you who are studying in good schools and later in good colleges are indeed very lucky. You all have the golden chance to own the ornament of study, and to get yourself counted in the list of educated people. Education is what brings self-confidence in us. Our self-confidence then helps us in passing all the difficulties that come in our way towards achieving our aim. One who gets proper education is admired by the members of the family, community and country.

While education is invaluable to ones future career, the real value of education is that it develops your mind. Being well educated doesn't mean to earn certificates and good salary from reputed institutions; it also means to be a good and social person in life.

Being able to receive education is a blessing; Good education is constructive in nature which constructs our future forever. It is the only key to success in personal and professional life. Being intelligent is one of the most desirable qualities in a person. No matter what the situation is, education should be our key to the golden door.

Long after you grow up and your youthful looks leave you, you will always have your education, hence one should develop a passion for learning. Education does not mean to be sitting in a classroom and reading textbooks; we should make our habits of learning always all through the life from our teachers, parents, family members, friends and other related people in our life.

For all parents out there, instill a love for education early on and your child will have a great life. Education starts at a young age. An educated person is respected everywhere. And as Benjamin Franklin said "An Investment in Knowledge Pays the Best Interest".

Last but not the least, I shall eternally be grateful to my parents, siblings, teachers, elders and my friends who have contributed in educating me.

**Mohd. Raiyan Akbar, XI-B**  
Head Boy

*The lord's pleasure is in the parent's pleasure and the lord's anger is in the parent's anger.*

## Character Maketh Man

Character of a person can simply be defined as the set of qualities exhibited by him. According to Goethe, "Talent develops in quiet places while character in the full current of human life". Character establishes the personality of an individual in a community. Moral and immoral words play an important role in depicting one's character. It is also a motivation that drives a person in his various dealings with people around him. Character is of supreme importance in one's life.

No individual can become a great man without having a good character. As the saying goes, "If wealth is lost, nothing is lost, if health is lost, something is lost and if character is lost, everything is lost". Thus, character is one of the greatest wealth an individual possesses. Just as the face is said to be an index of mind, the character is rightly said to be an index of a person's position in the society.

Heba Shakeel, IX - A

## Easy – Difficult

It is ....

Easy to find other's mistakes  
Easy to hurt someone  
Easy to dream everyday  
Easy to talk without thinking  
Easy to set rules  
Easy to ask forgiveness  
Easy to promise  
Easy to criticize  
Easy to make mistakes  
Easy to receive  
Easy to read  
Easy to lie

Difficult to find our mistakes  
Difficult to heal the wound  
Difficult to make the dream come true  
Difficult to control the tongue  
Difficult to follow rules  
Difficult to forgive others  
Difficult to fulfill the promise  
Difficult to improve  
Difficult to learn from the mistakes  
Difficult to give  
Difficult to follow  
Difficult to be truthful

Syeda Sheema, IV - B

## Riddles

1. What has roots that nobody sees, and is taller than trees. Up ,up it goes, and yet it never grows.

Ans. A mountain

2. I have four wings, but cannot fly, I never laugh and never cry. On the same spot I am always found, toiling away with little sound. What am I?

Ans. A wind mill

3. What's black when you get it, Red when you use it, and white when you have finished using it?

Ans. Charcoal

Fida Navaz, IV-A

## Future of the world: Two dark sides!!

I see towers rising here  
I see guns firing there  
I see animals dying here  
I see human corpses piling there  
I see water level decreasing here  
I see depression and sadness increasing there  
I see barren land appearing here  
I see humanity disappearing there  
I see machinery kill mother earth here  
I see machinery kill lives there  
I see satellites launch here  
I see news that haunt there  
I see people dying of thirst here  
I see people dying because of lust there  
I see people in rockets shot upto the moon  
I see people shot into the ground here  
I see .....Two dark sides!  
Where nothing but evil resides  
What happiness will bore out of this  
How will we redeem all of this  
Who says future is unpredictable  
I see it in front of me, ... burning uncontrollably !

Mariyam A.R, XI-A

## Best Friends

### "A FRIEND IN NEED, IS A FRIEND INDEED"

I believe that a friend is one of the most important aspect of our life. No matter who you are, everyone needs a good friend to count on, nobody should go through life with no friends. I know that I can have one good friend that I can go through life with. Personally, I think friendship is that most important thing to me.

A real friend will listen and offer advice during our hard times. Friends can also give you lots of helpful tips because friends are honest when you do or say something wrong and don't tell you "Oh, That was so good!" just to make you happy. They help you to improve yourself in every way. Most of all, FRIENDS FORGIVE YOU. If anything goes wrong my friends will stand beside me and will give me a second chance. The definition of a good friend is a PERSON WHOM ONE KNOWS, LIKES AND TRUSTS.

Moreover I do strongly believe that

"A TRUE FRIEND HOLDS YOUR HAND AND TOUCHES YOUR HEART....."

Aangeline T.R, VIII-A



## Artificial leaves: A major step towards fuel technology



Global warming, population explosion, increase in food demand, depletion of natural resources, etc. are some of the grave issues which are disturbing the ecological balance of the globe. Scientists have been incessantly working on methods to combat these serious consequences and thereby awakening a vision of hope. One such vision of hope is the invention of the 'artificial leaf'.

Julian Melchiorri, a graduate of the Royal College of Art, claims to have developed a silk leaf that could create oxygen

for space travel as well as make the air nicer on Earth. The leaf was developed in conjunction with a silk lab from Tufts University.

The leaf is created from a matrix of protein extracted from silk and chloroplasts. It can be used on the facades of buildings and inside ventilation systems in order to generate fresh oxygen. And it may prove fruitful in advancing space explorations.

Like living leaves, the device can turn the sun's energy directly into a chemical fuel that can be stored and used later as an energy source.

Simply placed in a container of water and exposed to sunlight, it quickly generates streams oxygen bubbles from one side and hydrogen bubbles from the other. The bubbles can be collected and stored, and used later to deliver power.

Ultimately, with this invention we can see a future in which homes could be equipped with solar-collection systems based on this principle. This is a major achievement, which is one more step toward developing cheap and robust technology to harvest solar energy as chemical fuel.

Saif Ali Athyaab, XI – B

### A ripple of appreciation can truly cause a revolution

Hearty approvals, thrifty praises, sincere appreciations devoid of flattery, criticism, without arousing wrath and dealing with peers constructively are just few of the characteristics we ought to imbibe to live life in its completeness. One of the most neglected virtues of our mundane life is sincerely appreciating people and arousing enthusiasm in them without resentment. We live in a world where we crave for praises and wait for approvals. If once in a while, we stop thinking about ourselves and be concerned about the people around us, we would emerge with a realization that hunger for sincere appreciation is the driving force for human race.

To speak more definitely, appreciation is an asset and an ability to arouse eagerness and enthusiasm without flattering. Every public speaker, orator or even an anchor feels discouraged and demotivated leaving a hall full of audience without receiving a ripple of appreciation. If this is so, then it applies undoubtedly to everyone around us. Office men, shopkeepers, chefs and not to forget Janitors move on with life monotonously without complaining or condemning. But it is not right on our part not to praise them for a good piece of work. Sounds interesting! Doesn't it?

So, the next time you sit on your dining table to have dinner, inform your mom about how accurately she had added the right amount of salt to make the dish delicious. Do not hesitate in praising your siblings when they return back home with good grades or when they complete their homework without errors. Whatever you do, don't forget every time you walk past by a group of peers, try to leave behind sparks of appreciation and flakes of thrifty praises.

This is something that they will continue to be remembered, even if you have been forgotten after a couple of years and who knows it may truly bring about a revolution in someone's monotonous lives.

Iman Shakeel, XII -A

### The one who doesn't leave

It followed her wherever she went,  
Secretly, it noted everything she did,  
Everything she never meant,  
Everytime she tried to kid,  
When no one understood her.

All the mistakes she made,  
It was always remembered,  
All the memories that faded,  
It was always remembered.

It brought back her worst moments,  
To make sure she learned her lessons,  
They struck her like lightning currents,  
She cried, for she didn't get the messages,  
That it wanted to teach.

She thought it wanted to lure her away  
from happiness,  
But it only wanted to cure her sadness.

It is there with everyone who was ever alive,  
It is great for those who worked hard and  
strived,  
It holds all our secrets and great memories,  
It keeps the great alive in everybody's  
stories.

For it is the past that everyone has,  
The past will come back to you from time  
to time,  
To polish you and nurture you.

As coal and diamonds are brothers,  
But the one that shines is worth more than  
the other,  
Where it has gone through a lot of pressure  
for a time that lasted.

The past is only there to make you shine,  
So remember and learn from it,  
Value it,  
But don't forget your future and present.

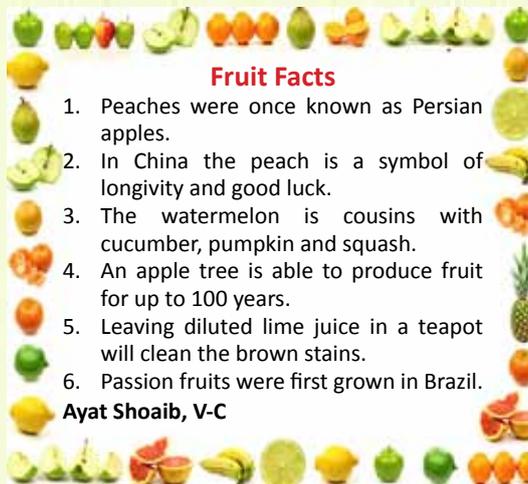
Hafsa Anam, VIII-A

### Poem

Out of creations  
and imaginations  
with all the pound  
and pieces of tiny efforts  
these wonderful poems are made.

Still lays the poet and out comes  
the first imaginative line  
right out of his mind.  
Oh! How the lines flow out  
like a brainstorm  
right onto the paper  
from his mind  
and there stands the masterpiece  
A phenomenal poem

Reem Sayyed, VII-A



### Fruit Facts

1. Peaches were once known as Persian apples.
2. In China the peach is a symbol of longevity and good luck.
3. The watermelon is cousins with cucumber, pumpkin and squash.
4. An apple tree is able to produce fruit for up to 100 years.
5. Leaving diluted lime juice in a teapot will clean the brown stains.
6. Passion fruits were first grown in Brazil.

Ayat Shoaib, V-C

### Space : An Adventure

The vast universe, the beautiful planets and the shining stars make me think of people like Galileo, Copernicus and Hubble and above all the creator of the world. Astronomy is the oldest science. How lovely it is to watch the twinkling stars. I would love to be an astronomer when I grow up. What an adventure would it be to explore new galaxies, stars, planets, black holes and more. The first woman to travel in space was Valentina Tereshkova and by God's will my name will be soon added to the list.

Rahma, II- E

### My Mother

I love my mother,  
Because I won't get another.  
She is the one who tolerates,  
When none other cooperates.  
She is the one who taught me,  
When others only caught me.  
She is the one who holds me,  
When others only scold me.  
She is the only one keen to help me,  
When everyone is mean to help me.  
She is the only one who is patient,  
When others are arrogant.  
She is the only one who is sensible,  
When others are irresponsible.  
She is the only one, the only one  
My Mother,  
Like none other.  
She is the best,  
Among the rest.  
LOVE YOU MAMMA, FOREVER AND  
EVER.

Saima Asim, VII-B

### Foot Ball

- Cluster meet zonal championship was held in the month of June 2015 IIPS football team won the first position by defeating all the teams in Riyadh Region. The IIPS team qualified for the XXV cluster meet phase I which was organized by IIS Jeddah from 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> June 2015
- Our school participated in the KELI Inter school football tournament 2015 and got second position through the toss because after the finals, the match ended in a tie.
- Inter house football championship for seniors and juniors was conducted by the school in Yamama Football Ground in the month of December 2015. Sapphire house won and got 1st position in Juniors category and Topaz house got first position in Seniors category.

Yousuf Khan & Aaron Rodrigues, XII - B

### Table Tennis

IIPS took part in the zonal T.T. cluster meet championship, which was held in NMEIS Riyadh and got second position in the U-14 team championship and qualified for the 25<sup>th</sup> Silver Jubilee Cluster meet championship organized by IIS Jeddah from 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

Joshua Suresh Kumar, VIII - E Aashiq Senthil Prasad, VIII - F Aqeel ur Rahman, VIII - D

## Memories

Months and days have passed by,  
I'll never forget our first "HT" !!  
I don't know why,  
I wish this was a lie,  
I don't want you to leave me alone,  
You promised to talk to me over the phone,  
The time we spent together,  
From lectures in class to crazy late night talks,  
To the celebrities and bands we used to stalk,  
You were always there for me,  
When my spirit needed a little lift,  
I thank God for you are my favourite,  
To me you're an angel sent from the Gods above,  
To clean my soul of sadness and fill it with love,  
You were the one who held my hand,  
And took me far away from this dirty land,  
Through all those bad nights,  
Your FRIENDSHIP was my only light,  
I'll never forget you at all,  
You always pick me up when I fall,  
Even after all those fights,  
You always stood beside ,  
I know that we are going to be miles APART,  
But don't forget we were FRIENDS from the START,  
Our last hug for now might feel very warm,  
But this loss will make my heart cold for long,  
Every time you miss me just look at the twinkling star,  
And you would see me smiling from far,  
I really don't know how to thank you but I know I can always  
call you MINE.  
You have been a memorable impact in my life.  
If I am happy or sad,  
Upset or mad,  
You the greatest friend I 've ever had.  
GOODBYE FOR NOW.  
Remember the earth is round,  
And we can see each other any time around!!

**K. Meghna, XI-A**

## Crazy Yet Amazing ( Part I) C.Y.A

Dedicated to X - A of 2014-2015, who did the craziest of crazy things amazingly together.  
I wish this never ends,  
Like how the moon comprehends.  
And holds all the stars together,  
I just wonder whether,  
It is possible to stay?  
Against the bestial sun's rays.  
Can our friendship hold us that way?  
Or like the sun will time fade it away?  
The dark skies on which embeds the moon.  
Reminds me that all this might end soon.  
I'm afraid we will lose someday,  
And all of this might end in a bad way.  
'Cause with every passing night our friendship gets obscure.  
And then even time can't cure.  
We'll fail to be able to rewind,  
What once was left behind.  
As I fear those memories will pulverize,  
Into those dark empty skies.  
Our friendship was like Nova,  
And soon our time is getting over.  
We will cherish this memorable sight.  
Crazy yet amazing right?

\* Nova- a shortlived brightening of a previously inconspicuous star.

**Sheryl Felix, XI-A**

## Crazy Yet Amazing (Part-II) Last Goodbye

The face that binds us,  
The ship of trust,  
Will remain strong.  
But please tell me I'm wrong,  
When I fear it will perish.  
I'm a struggling fish,  
Just out of the water,  
My steps still falter.  
When the moonbeam hits my face,  
It leaves no trace and disappears with beautiful grace.  
The stars that light up our destination,  
Dazzles like my constellation,  
That's pulling me in its tug of war,  
Reminds me what its all for.  
Tomorrow I'll be alone,  
In a city of thoughts unknown.  
I don't know where today might lead us,  
Or will it lead us back to dust?  
If Tyche\* would keep us together,  
Then I'd pray for this to last forever.  
Like the shade of some tree,  
You'll live in my incorrigible memory.  
As I recall of what's left of you and I,  
Our journey together flashes before my eyes.  
These memories we made, laugh, cry, fight,  
Can never beat the sublime beauty of tonight.  
And no matter how hard I try,  
There's nothing good about these goodbyes.  
\*Tyche – The Goddess of Luck, counterpart of the fortuna.

**Sheryl Felix, XI - A**  
Head Girl

## Editorial

The clock today indicates a time of great change. Students of the 21st century are not just individuals; they are substantial personalities with feelings of self-respect, sensitivity, responsibility and compassion. In an attempt to recognize, appreciate, applaud and foster the fine blend of sensibilities in a child – this newsletter has been regulated as a launch pad for the student's creative urges to blossom naturally.

As the saying goes, "Minds like parachutes work best when opened." This humble initiative is to set the budding minds free allowing them to stray free in the realms of imagination and experience; to assist them in creating a world of beauty in words.

The IIPS Chronicle also espouses the school's spirit, thoughts and aspirations. This opportunity, I believe would spur higher growth and enterprise in our children.

I earnestly appreciate the editorial board, students and teachers who have breathed life into the pages of the CHRONICLE.

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