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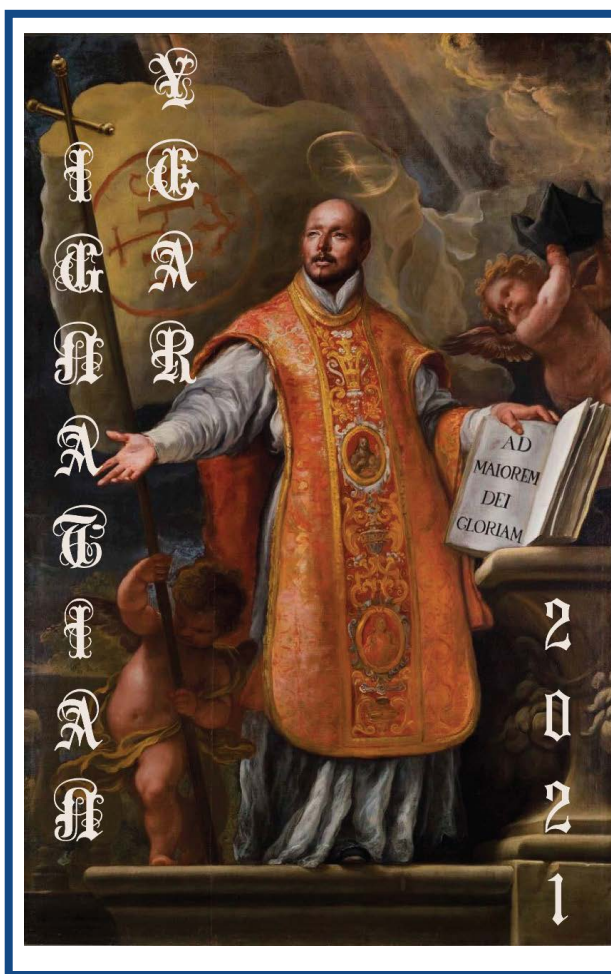
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IGNATIAN YEAR
MAY 20th 2021

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Ignatius



Welcome to

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A PHOTO FEATURE

RECTOR'S MESSAGE



Fr. Adv. Stanley Varghese SJ

“A CANNONBALL MOMENT”

Life definitely throws all of us some curveballs, as they say. But this year, *we commemorate 500 years since life threw St. Ignatius of Loyola a cannonball.*

For those unfamiliar with his story— Ignatius was born in the ancestral castle of the Loyolas in the Basque province of Guipúzcoa, the youngest of 13 children of a noble and wealthy family; his mother died when he was seven years old. In 1506 Ignatius became a page in the service of a relative, Juan Velázquez de Cuéllar, treasurer of the kingdom of Castile. In 1517 Ignatius became a knight in the service of another relative, Antonio Manrique de Lara, duke of Nájera and viceroy of Navarre, who employed him in military undertakings and on a diplomatic mission.

While defending the citadel of Pamplona against the French, Ignatius was hit by a cannonball on May 20, 1521, sustaining a bad fracture of his right leg and damage to his left. This event closed the first period of his life, during which he was, on his own admission, “a man given to the vanities of the world, whose chief delight consisted in martial exercises, with a great and vain desire to win renown” (Autobiography, 1). Although his morals were far from stainless, Ignatius was in his early years a proud rather than sensual man.

Ignatius had always been a man of action and was able to inspire others to get things done as well. Now he was involuntarily laid up due to a health crisis. He had, perhaps for the first time in his life, uninterrupted quiet and time to reflect on his life. He asked for chivalric romances to pass the time, but surely to his dismay, the only books available were a “Life of Christ” and the “Lives of the Saints”. As he began to read these, he also began to pay attention to the movements of his own heart and started to

believe that God was communicating with him in these various movements - *leading him on a path to conversion.*

During this Ignatian year, we will have several opportunities at North Point to reflect on the following kinds of questions together:

- Have you had a “cannonball moment” in your life – an event that stopped your normal routines and allowed you time to reflect on your life and pay attention in a new way to the deeper desires of your heart and what you want your life to be?
- If so, how did this moment, which might have seemed only negative or a failure at the time it happened, turn out to be a blessing, or a moment of grace?
- How did it lead you forward on a new path of solidarity with others, and a deeper desire to love and be of service?

Additionally, there will also be various activities and other events planned to help celebrate this special year and we look forward to everyone from our NP participating.

Fast forward 500 years, and we can all identify cannonballs we have been struck by in our own lives—a sudden death of someone close to us, a near-death experience, an encounter with a fellow human being that changed our sense of the world, etc. This is true for us as a society and our institution as well. Just in this past year, significant events have collectively jolted our nation and global family into a new way of understanding the world and God’s call to recalibrate our lives and what we seek for our communities. *We are, indeed, living in another “cannonball moment” in history.*

*- Fr. Adv. Stanley Varghese LL.M
Rector*

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Students, Parents and Guardians, the First Semester is over. We have begun the Second Semester well after the well-deserved break on a high note. Rest is required so that we recuperate and come back stronger. It was good to see that most of you, despite continuous lockdowns, have done well. All of you are aware that online classes are not a substitute for normal classes. However that is the best available medium at the moment. Many of you put in lot of hard work despite many difficulties. Kudos to every one of you! True North Pointers always try HARD! I wish you all well that YOU MAY ALL CONTINUE TO DO WELL!

“Many may not know that when Michael Jordan was a sophomore in high school he was eager to prove himself as a great basketball player. But things didn’t do as planned. Jordan was not selected for the team. The rejection hit him really hard. It hit him so hard that he locked himself in his room and cried bitterly. He cried profusely and continuously but he did not quit but stayed focused. He kept trying! He kept focusing!

However, he made it into the team, and quickly became the school’s best player. By the time he was a senior, he made the McDonalds’ All-American team. Then he went off to play in college...and the rest is history. Michael Jordan didn’t quit. Rather he transformed his failure into fuel for future success. His continuous hard work and efforts made an indelible mark in the world arena of the Basketball. He scored 32, 292 points in his career, acquired 6 NBA championships, collected 5 MVP titles and came to be known as the GOAT.” (Courtesy: <https://thestrive.co/motivational-stories-on-staying-power/>)

Many of us may not be Michael Jordan but we could keep trying till we attain the goals we have set for ourselves. Staying positive, staying focused and staying patient are the most important attitudes we need to possess in order to reach the pinnacle of our lives. A lot can change in six months in the Second Semester. We can reach greater heights if we try and there is nothing that it isn’t possible.



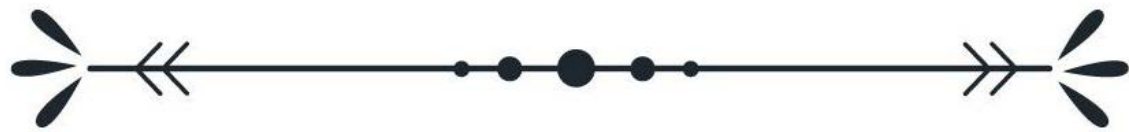
Fr. Leo Alphonse Raj, SJ

St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus, returned to school at the age of 33 years to study Latin since he was ignorant and knew that without which he couldn’t be a priest in those days. Therefore he started to study Latin grammar with young boys in a school in Barcelona. Everything is possible for minds that are willing to go an extra mile. May the 500th Anniversary Year of St. Ignatius’ Conversion inspire us to work towards the Ignatian MAGIS! May Our Lady of North Point guide and protect us! May Our Lady of North Point guide us! Sursum Corda!



INAUGURAL CELEBRATION OF THE IGNATIAN YEAR

MAY 20th 2021



The canon was fired. It exploded. It shattered the right leg of Inigo de Loyola. A flying rock injured his left leg. The assault almost killed him but he survived. Despite these injuries, he persuaded the other defenders to stay with the task that the king had entrusted to them. He was stubborn and strong willed. He was brave and it was contagious. He was a leader. The French assault army respected this middle-aged nobleman and transported him back to his home castle. This journey on a litter was extremely painful. But Inigo endured it. His adventuring days, his military days, his courting days were over. He was going home. His life, would never be the same.

During his long recovery, Ignatius found God in a new and profound way. He had been a true man of the world with ambition for glory and fame and with passion to serve the powers of the day. He now turned his energy toward serving God as the saints had done in centuries past. He began to put himself at the service of others, to lead others to find the consolation of God's ways as he had himself found.

The Society of Jesus worldwide celebrates the Ignatian year from May 20th 2021 to July 31st 2022. It commemorates a very strange event of Ignatius' CONVERSION. It is the wounding of their beloved founder, St. Ignatius of Loyola at the battle in Pamplona in 1521. The significant event unsettled St. Ignatius' life and led him to found the Society of Jesus. The CHANGE experienced in St. Ignatius triggered dramatic changes in the Church and the history of Catholicism. His conversion propelled us to SEE ALL THINGS NEW IN CHRIST. He was changed from Profession to Purpose! (Courtesy: <https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/resources-by-theme/the-ignatian-year>)

Provinces and Institutions worldwide celebrate this great personality in different ways every month. Due to the present pandemic, each institution in every province will celebrate differently. St. Joseph's School, North Point, Darjeeling celebrated the Inaugural Eucharistic celebration with the entire Darjeeling Jesuits of North Bengal at 11 am on 20th May 2021 at the school chapel with the school staff and community members. All Jesuit communities in the province were united in heart and mind in celebration at the same time. A thought provoking reflection was sent by Fr. John Wilfred Lobo SJ, the Provincial of the Darjeeling Jesuit Province of North Bengal which was read by Fr. Leo SJ during the Eucharistic Celebration.

On the same evening, St. Joseph's College and School community joined in unison for a prayer service on the occasion of the inauguration of the Ignatian Year conducted by Fr. Leo SJ. The statue of the wounded St. Ignatius was unveiled by Fr. Stanley SJ and the Ignatian year was declared open. The community sought the blessings of God and the inspiration from St. Ignatius to work everything for MAGIS!

- Fr. Leo Alphonse Raj, SJ





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Ignatius

“All the things in the world are gifts of God,
created for us ...

To come to know him better”

– St. Ignatius of Loyola

St. Joseph's School North Point Darjeeling celebrated the beginning of “The Ignatian Year” in one heart and mind with the Society of Jesus all over the world on the 20th May 2021. St. Ignatius' conversion began his transformation into Ignatius the pilgrim. The theme for this Ignatian Year is “to see all things new in Christ”. It is to go out on the road, to discover God who dwells and works in all creatures, and to contemplate Him in everything that happens to us.” In this Ignatian year of new opportunities and hopes, may Saint Ignatius fill us with renewed motivation . We also must work in building a better world where the dignity of people is respected and we live in harmony with nature. (<https://ateneoalumniassociation.org/celebrating-ignatius-500-ignatian-year-2021-2022/>)

For the month of June, keeping in mind the activity planned at North Point, coinciding with the World Environment day which was on 5th June, St. Joseph's School between 9th June and 14th June planted around 750 tree saplings in and around the North Point campus with the help of the school community Fathers, Brothers and gardeners. Fr. Anuranjan SJ represented the Leadership Training Service (LTS) Club by his gracious presence. On 5th June Br. Vincent SJ, Fr. John Banerjee SJ, a few of forest officials from Badamtam range along with the school gardeners planted around 100 saplings to mark the World Environment day too. Our school was able

to procure the saplings from the Forest Department of West Bengal, Sonada with the help of Mr. T. N Lepcha, our school Geography teacher.

The saplings we got were: *Quercus lineate* (known as Phalant), *Quercus Pachyphylla* (known as Katush), *Elaeocarpus Sikkimensis* (known as Bhadrasy), Pine and Rhododendron.

Considering the current situation of Global pollution, deforestation and the loss of flora and fauna at alarming rates, it becomes the responsibility of each individual to take care of our COMMON HOME. Every year under the guidance of Mr. T.N Lepcha few of our students take part in Tree Plantations Programmes in school. But since we are at our own homes due to the pandemic, the month of June helped us to discover the joy of planting and taking care of trees and flowers. This year, being the Ignatian Year the contribution to the common home becomes very significant.

We forget and often take for granted the majesty of the miracles of God in and around us, especially in Nature. This year, we all have an occasion to change our perspectives and see the world all around us and in us in a light that brings us closer to God. We believe that we work to change the world for the better by starting from our backyards, one small action at a time.

-Fr. Leo Alphonse Raj, SJ



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Welcome to North Point



FR. JOHN BANERJEE

1. Could you describe the feeling you had when you entered the school?

When I stepped into the school after 6 years, it was like a homecoming for me. I came at such a time that I could not see a single soul in the school premises because of the pandemic . The premises were very quiet and looked extremely deserted. You can imagine how one feels in a school with no students, particularly the borders.

2. Can you explain your duty and role for those who are clueless?

This time I am back in St. Joseph's School as a minister(administrator). The Minister , primarily plays the role of a mother who take care after her children and provide all the necessary things. My role is alos to take care of all the Fathers and Brothers and the maintenance of the school property and cleanliness of the school.



3. Would you like to relay a message to all the students?

Dear Students , life in general has been brought to a standstill by the pandemic .We really do not know what to do! How do we go about things? When is normalcy going to return? Everything is uncertain and unclear. Life has become a big question mark , but we are in a passing world, everything will pass by so be patient and focus in your life and studies . Surely the good days will come.

MS. PUJA SINGH &

MS. ZEENA LEPCHA



1. Firstly, we heartily welcome you on behalf of St. Joseph's School, North Point. Could you please tell us something about yourself?

My name is Puja Singh. I am from Durgapur West Bengal. I have completed my B.Ed and now I am pursuing M.A. I live in the boarding in N.P School and I teach Hindi here. I love to read new Hindi books. My favourite books are 'Ramcharitamanas', 'Godan', 'Madhushala' etc. I also like to write poems. Apart from this I like basketball and I have been a national basketball player at one time. I love dancing and painting and at the same time I want to take Hindi to new heights where children understand the importance of Hindi.

I am Zeena Lepcha born and brought up in Pakyong, East Sikkim. I have received my schooling from St. Xaviers School, Pakyong, pursued my graduation from SGC, Tadong (East Sikkim) and postgraduation from Sikkim Professional University. I am currently working as a teacher here in North Point, Darjeeling.

I describe myself as a leader with excellent communication skills, having a zeal to learn. I am an adventurous person who loves exploring new places and new things. My hobbies are dancing, singing and listening to music to keep myself occupied when I am free.

2. Ma'am, what is the reason behind your decision of joining NP?

I wanted to join N.P school for a better future as well as I love nature very much and the environment of N. P school is very good.

The reason behind my decision of joining North Point, Darjeeling is mainly related to the school being a renowned institution. It is a notable school in India with many known great individuals having received their education here. The school has also ranked second among the boarding schools in Darjeeling and West Bengal recently. So, I have always dreamed of working here.

3. Is there any message you would like to convey to the school community?

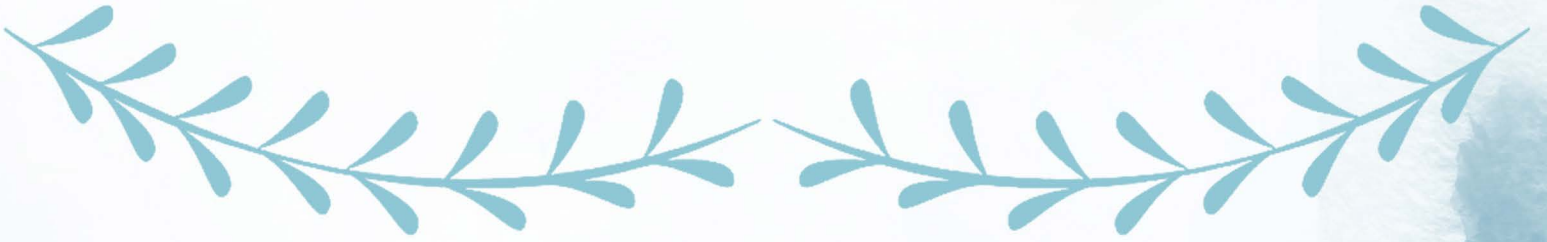
I want to say to the school community that I joined N.P school a few months back and I saw that all the people here are very nice. At the same time I have not seen the children in person, only through online classes, so I am missing the children a lot and pray to God that this difficult situation ends as soon as possible and everything returns to normalcy so kids can come back to school and live their school life again.

The school is doing good in every aspect. I look forward to working with the Principal, teachers and the students. I will give my best in everything I do. I would also like to extend my good wishes and congratulate the school community for the monthly magazine.



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आदिकवि भानुभक्त आर्चायः संक्षिप्त परिचय



आदिकवि भानुभक्त आर्चाय नेपाली भाषा साहित्यको क्षेत्रमा भाषाको स्वर्णकाल स्वरूप उदाउनु भयो। उहाँले नेपाली भाषा साहित्यको पृष्ठभूमिमा मातृभाषाको उद्धार गरी नौलो आयामको आरम्भ गर्नुभयो। मानो शुष्क मरुभूमिमा जलस्रोत बनि प्रकट हुनुभयो। आफ्नो जातिय भाषाप्रति प्रेम र सम्पर्णको भावना प्रत्येक नेपाली भाषीहरूको हृदयमा जगाउनु हुने हाम्रा आदिकवि भानुभक्त आर्चायको जन्म जयन्तीको हजुरहरू सबै सबैमा हार्दिक मंगलमय शुभकामना व्यक्त गर्दछु।

हाम्रो नेपाली साधारण बोलचालको भाषा वा लोकभाषालाई साहित्यिक भाषाको रूपमा परिवर्तन गर्नुहुने आदिकवि भानुभक्त आर्चायको जन्म तनहुँ जिल्लाको चुँदी बेंसीको रम्घा भन्ने गाउँमा वि० स० १८७१, अषाढ २९ गतेमा भएको थियो। उहाँका बाबु सरकारी जाँगिरे भएको हुनाले घरमा प्रायः हुँदैन थिए। यसकारण भानुभक्तको देखरेख र प्रारम्भिक शिक्षा उहाँका बाजे श्रीकृष्ण आर्चायबाट शुरू भएको थियो। उहाँले बाह्र वर्षको उमेरमा संस्कृत, व्याकरण र ज्योतिष विद्याको अध्ययन गरिसकेका थिए भने उहाँले बाल्यकालदेखि नै नेपाली भाषामा कविता कोर्न थालेका थिए।

घाँसीसित उहाँको भेट र वार्तालाप पछि घाँसीबाट ‘मर्न अघि आफ्नो नाम अमर राख्न असल कर्म गर्न पर्छ’ भन्ने प्रेरणा पाएपछि उहाँको साहित्यिक जीवनको प्रारम्भ हुन्छन्। उहाँले वाल्मीकिद्वारा संस्कृतमा लेखिएको रामायणलाई नेपाली भाषामा अनुवाद गर्न थाले। उहाँको अनुवादीत रामायणमा प्रयोग गरिएको भाषा-शैली सरल र सहज छन भने शुद्ध शब्दको प्रयोगले त्यसमा मौलिकता झल्कन्छन्, पाइन्छन्। फलस्वरूप उहाँको ‘रामायण’ प्रत्येक नेपाली जातिको घर-घरमा पढिन थालियो, त्यसको प्रभाव स्वरूप विस्तारै विस्तारै नेपाली जनमानसमा स्व भाषाको अध्ययन, चिन्तन मनन हुन थाले। यसरी प्रत्येक नेपाली भाषीहरूको हृदयमा नेपाली साहित्यको विजारोपण हुन थाले। उहाँले प्रयोग गर्नुहुने छन्दहरू मध्ये उहाँको प्रिय छन्द शर्दूलविक्रीडित छन्द थियो, यस छन्दमा उहाँले एक दिनमा ६० वटा श्लोक लेख्न सक्थे।

आदिकवि भानुभक्त आर्चायले ‘रामायण’ बाहेक ‘वधुशिक्षा’, ‘भक्तमाला’, ‘रामगीता’, प्रश्नोत्तरमाला तथा अन्य फूटकर कविताहरू पनि लेखेका छन्। उहाँको रचनाहरूमा सरल, सहज र मधुर भाषाको प्रयोग पाइन्छ, जो उहाँको मुख्य विशेषता हुन्। उहाँले आफ्नो रचनाहरूमा नेपाली जनमानसले सजिलै टिप्न सक्ने सहज र सुबोध शैलीको प्रयोग गरेका छन्। उहाँको कृतिहरूमा धार्मिक विश्वास, सामाजिक, शैक्षिक, संस्कृतिक, प्रकृतिप्रेम, व्यंग्य जस्ता पक्षहरू पाइन्छन्।



साहित्यको इतिहास हेर्ने हो भने आदिकवि भानुभक्त आर्चाय पूर्व पनि धेरै कविहरू थिए जसले पुरातन प्रवितिलाई त्याग्न सकेका थिएनन भने उहाँको काव्य लेखन कला र भाषा-शैलीको कारणले गर्दा काव्य परम्पराले नयाँ मोड़ लियो। नेपाली भाषा साहित्यले नव जीवन प्राप्त गर्न सक्यो।

आदिकवि भानुभक्त आर्चायले ५४ वर्षको अल्प उमेरमा सन् १८६८ मा संसारबाट बिदा लिए। उहाँको भौतिक शरीरले संसारबाट बिदा लिए पनि उहाँको भाषाले सम्पूर्ण नेपाली भाषी वा जातिलाई एक सुत्रमा बाँधेका छन्। उहाँले नेपाली भाषा साहित्यको उत्थानको निम्ति जुन योगदान दिएका छन् त्यो अतुलनीय छ। उहाँले बनाउनु भएको यस मार्गमा अनेकौं साहित्यकारहरूले यात्रा गरिरहेका छन् औ भविष्यमा गर्नेछन्। यसर्थ नेपाल भाषीहरू बसेको सबै ठाँउतिर उहाँको जन्म दिनलाई एक विशेष पर्वको रूपमा ‘भानु जयन्ती’ प्रत्येक वर्ष धुमधामसँग मनाइन्छ। उहाँ हाम्रा भाषाका जनक हुन्, उहाँ हाम्रा जातिय कवि, संस्कृतिक कवि, आदिकवि हुन्।

- Mr Bikash Rai

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SIDDHRAN CHATTERJEE
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ROZEN PRADHAN
CLASS 10 C



RIGZIN DORJAY BHUTIA
CLASS 12 ARTS



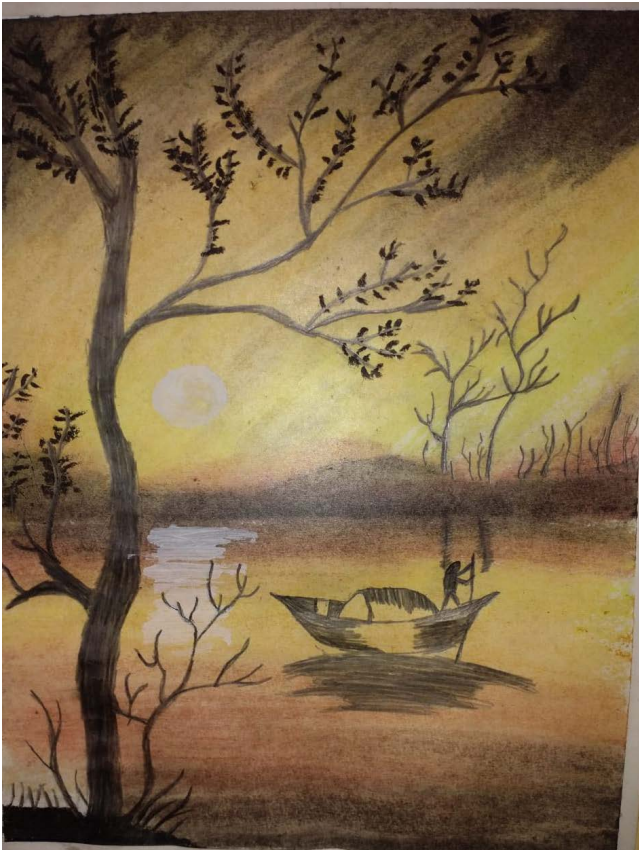
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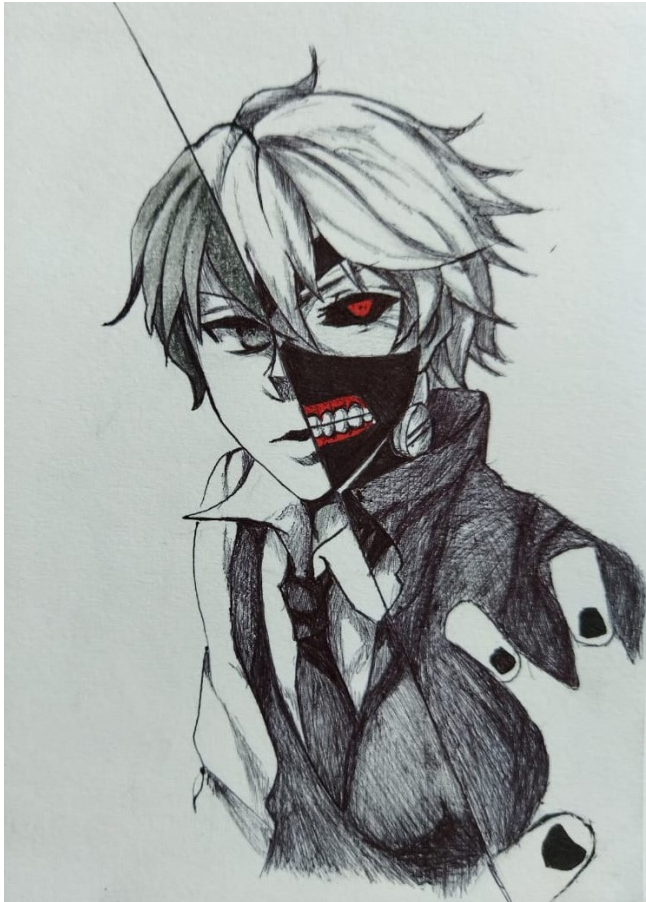
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CLASS 11 COMMERCE



SAHIL KUMAR SINGH
CLASS 6 C



JAIYASH PRADHAN
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HANGSEWA RAI
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CLASS 6 C



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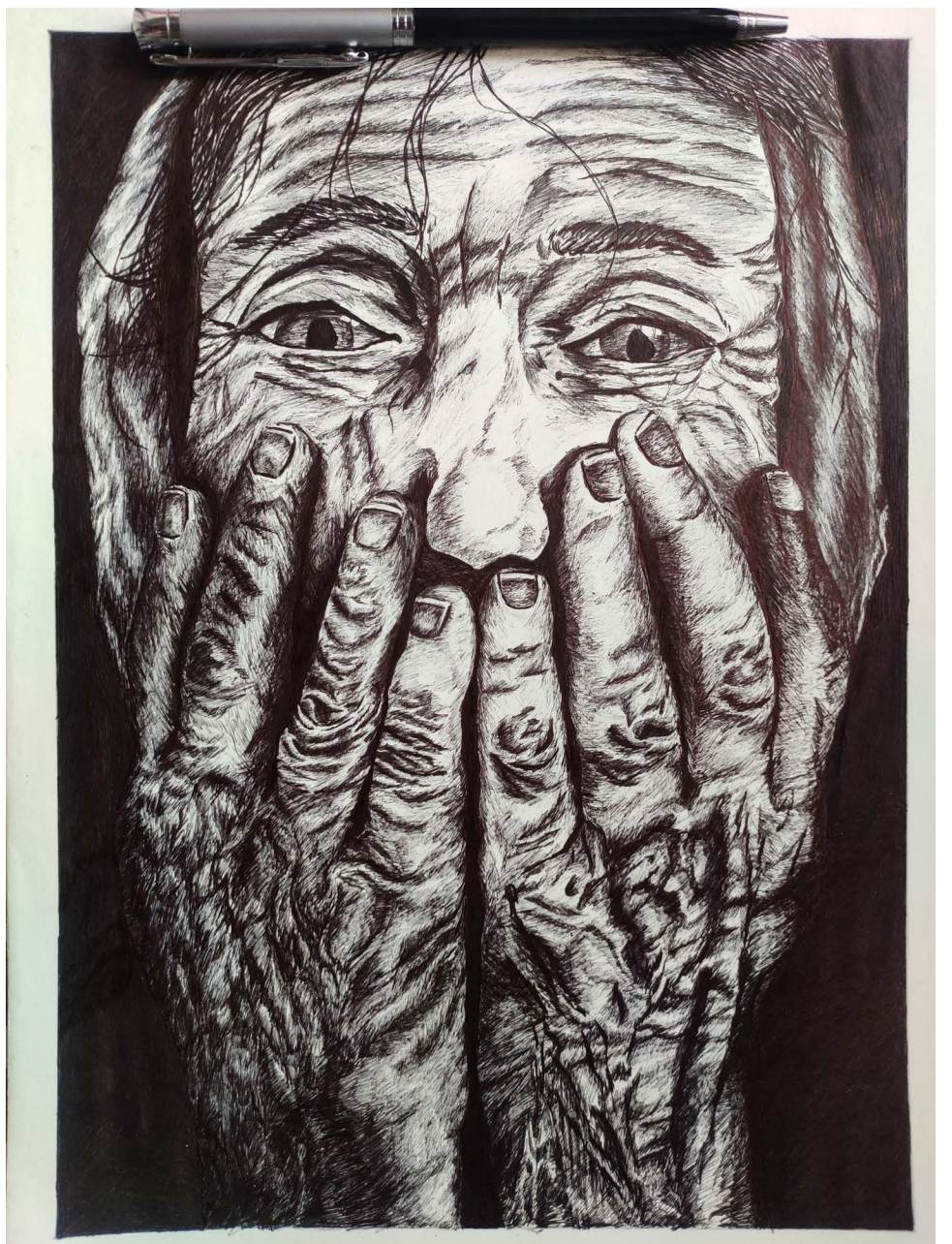


VAIBHAV PRADHAN
CLASS 4 C





SAIJEEN THAPA
CLASS 4 A



SUDHANGSHU RAI
CLASS 10 B



AVIRAL SUBBA
CLASS 9 D



YADID
THULUNG
CLASS 8
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PRATHAM MIR DUTRAJ
CLASS 12 SCIENCE

Poems



THE SUN

What is the Sun?
A big, scorching bun,
Which shines everyday,
And gives heat away.

The Sun gives heat and energy,
And also saves us from allergy,
A lot of ways in which it can help us,
A lot of things to discuss.

It gives light during the day,
That takes some time to make its way,
If the sun wouldn't have arrived,
There would have been no humanity alive.

-Tnezing Lamphel Bhutia
Class 5C

JEEPS

Jeeps, jeeps, jeeps,
I always dream of them while I sleep,
The blue black battered ones are the ones
I'd buy
They jump and bump and screech around
And the thought excites me all day

Jeep, jeeps, jeeps,
Dry and dusty, rusty jeeps are always in my
mind,
If I chanced to buy a jeep
I'd buy an antique piece,
Cause every one will look around
As your jeep comes roaring by.

-Vedaant Agarwal
Class-6A

LEGENDS

We all know legends make history
But they leave a mystery
For all their undoubted and fantastic work
They have such a unique quirk.

They fascinate us with such great poems
and entertainment
With such great statements,
The lesson we learn from them
Is very rare like a gem.

They influence people around the world
With their powerful words,
We learn so many things
From nature to the kinds

-Amegh Khanal

NATURE

Nature is might,
Nature is strong,
Nature is beauty,
Nature is moody,
Nature is everywhere,
Everything that lives and grows is nature,
Animals big and small,
Nature is plant that grows so tall
Nature is beautiful in every way.
Wonderful, exciting and needs our care.

So listen, learn and do your part
To keep nature beautiful forever

-Divyam Kr Ram
Class VI B

THE MONTHS OF THE YEAR

January brings the snow
Makes our feet and fingers glow

February brings the rain
Thaws the frozen ponds again

March brings breezes, loud and shrill
Stirs the dancing daffodil

April brings the primrose sunset
scatters daisies at our feet

May brings flocks of pretty lambs
Slipping by their fleecy dams

June brings, tulips, lilies, roses
fills the children's hand and posies

Hot July brings cooling showers
Strawberries and gillyflowers

August brings the sheaves of corn
Then the harvest home is borne

Warm September brings, the fruit
Sportmen then begin to shoot

Fresh October brings the pheasant
Then to gather nuts is pleasant

Dull November brings the blast
Then the leaves are falling fast

Chill December brings the sleet
Blazing fire and christmas treat

- Sauradip Ghosh

NO PLANET BE

Once, there was a planet
blue, green and clean
Then came the humans
with so many needs
Made one goof thing
but destroyed ten things
And I am so sad to say
That this still continues today
As everybody can see
That there isnt any planet be

-Nawang H. Sherpa
Class 3 A

EUPHORIA

Ignite, liberator, in my heart,
A blaze of love bewitching,
Hear, from me I trust thou melody,
And destined I will be thine;
If my soul has perceived thy poise,
If to me thy epithet is known,
Why should trinkets throng the place
Due to oneself alone?

'Tis a queer traumatic life
I live from day to day,
light and darkness, harmony and hostility,
Endure and alternate persuasion;
When I think I achieved victory over
battle,
I have to struggle for it o'er again;
When I say I'm deposed,
Solace I soon precure.

Surge of dark thoughts I encounter,
Which fill my soul with humiliation.
Agitated in my heart,
like a plume in the air,
Can I thus an adoration find?
My soul, can this be grace?

but when the angel my guiding light and
friend

Is delighted to show her faculty
Daydreams chasing head held high,
She'd be the one to follow it,
All at once my distresses end,
And I've a radiant hour;
Then I see her glorious smile,
Feel the pledge of triumph to prevail,
Often, my angel, sustain this elegance
Till thou shall purify me.

The feeling of Euphoria,
Felt true and absolute.

-Nirupam Thapa
Class 10 B

Articles



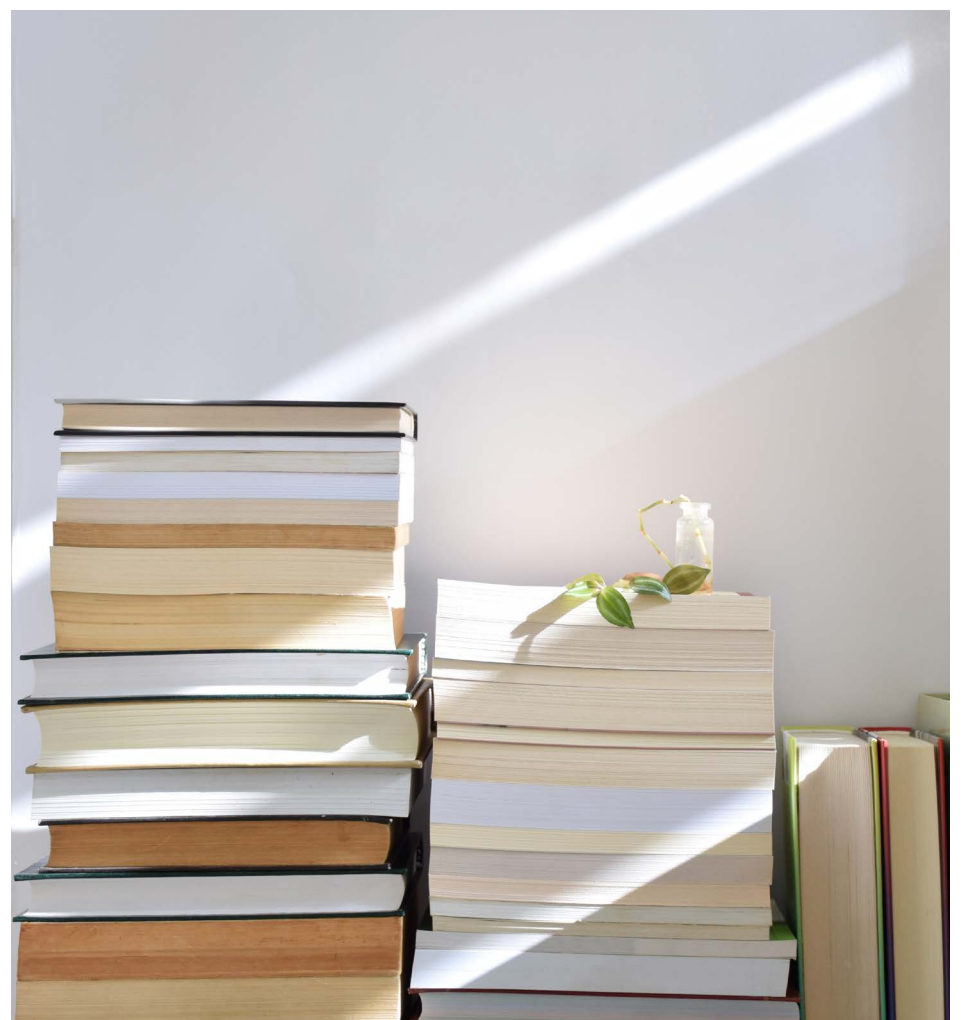
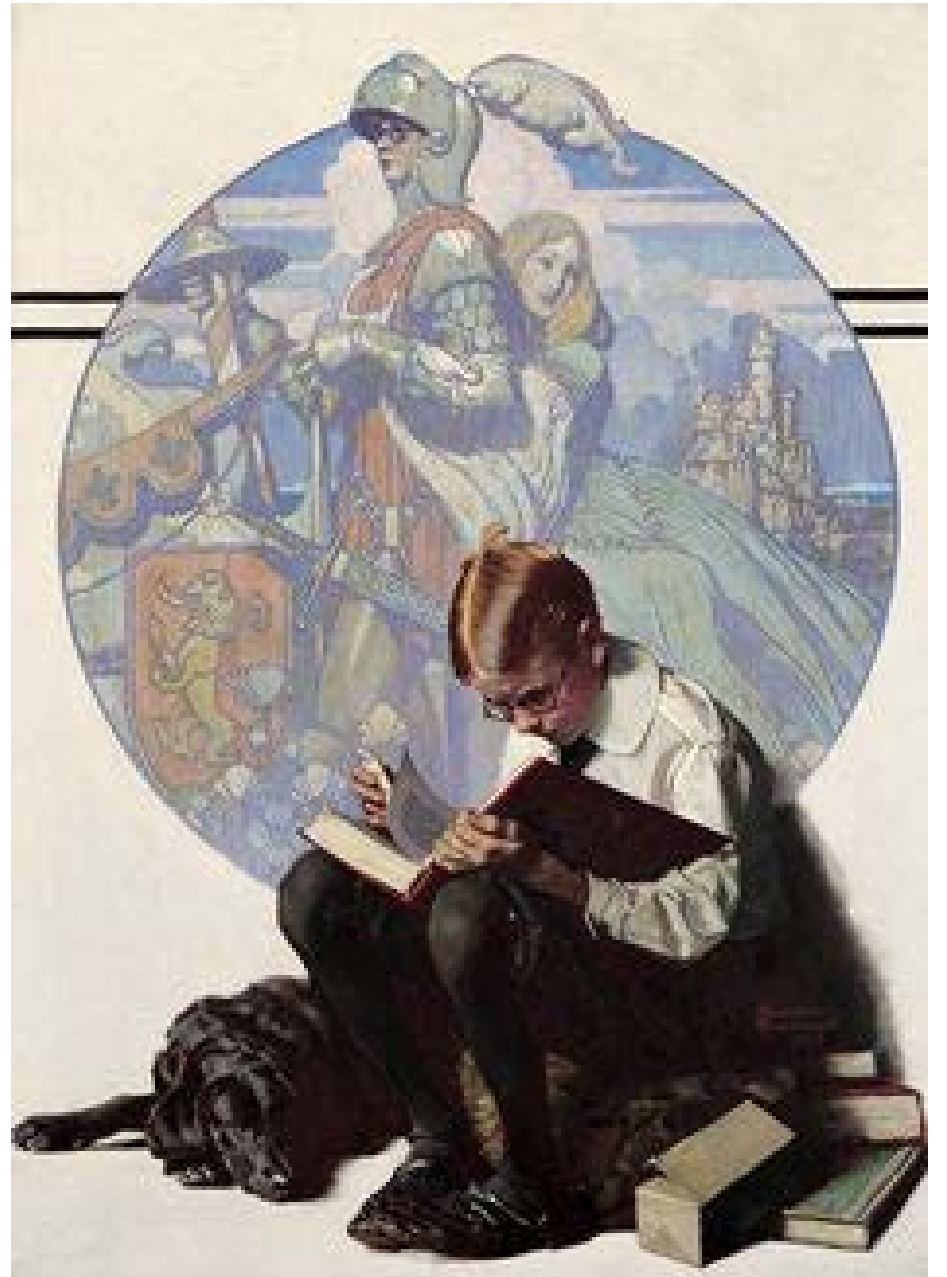
IMPORTANCE OF INCULCATING READING HABIT.

The increasing emphasis on the technology driven system of education has to some extent, dulled the interest in reading. Nevertheless, one cannot think of students going to school without textbooks, schools without well stocked libraries, scholars, doctors, lawyers, teachers and even the bureaucrats going about with their respective professions without the help of relevant books.

Reading good books helps us reach the goal of life. They provide knowledge, motivation, inspiration, strength, enjoyment and fun. By reading the lives of the greatest thinkers and Scholars of the world, one gets noble ideas and strength in steering one's life in the direction of success. Reading also helps in developing language skills.

Education basically aims at developing physical, mental and moral faculties. For the education of the mind nothing is more helpful than the study of books. However, facilities should be arranged for the children, ample provisions of books must be made available so that they can have the opportunity to read a wide range of books. But it is also necessary to read books with discrimination. It is advisable that a reader should take the help and guidance of a well read man. In the school, the librarian is invariably of this type. Otherwise it is best to rely on the teacher. Like friendship, one must be judicious in the selection of books.

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A SELF MADE ARTS STUDENT

Humanities or Arts as we call it, is the study of or about the accomplishments of human beings throughout history. From Philosophy to Sociology, Political Science or History, everything we see, learn or understand comes under the scope of Humanities.

In the ancient times, being a scholar of humanities was regarded with high esteem. It formed the bedrock for academic disciplines and was regarded as one of the finest fields of study. Philosophers such as Aristotle, Socrates, Plato, Hegel and Spencer revolutionised society and our perspectives of the world. However, with time people's thoughts , feelings and ideas have changed.

With the advent of technology and the progress in various scientific fields, this discipline has been neglected in our modern society. These discoveries were aided by societal changes made by greater understanding of humanities. The pressure felt by many interested in the field to abandon it and choose better fields is unfortunate. Men are expected by society to choose Science and are looked down upon by society if they fail to do so.

Personally, choosing Humanities was one the most challenging decisions of my life especially at a young age. It has always been my interest and my forte since Social Studies were included in my curriculum. Although both my parents were from the background of Humanities, they expressed ambiguity and disappointment upon my wish to take Humanities at my Plus Two level.

There was a war of words regarding my choice of stream but at last , they gave in to my will. I was glad to convince my parents . But they warned me of any unseen problem in the future and made me realize that I am ultimately responsible for my future.

However the societal pressure made a lasting impact. Fingers were pointed and I was cornered and desolated. Many of my friends who chose Science and commerce ended their contact . The prevalent social myth “Take Science and prosper

, go for Arts and disappear “ has an insidious and pervasive impact on young minds. Useless and illogical questions are asked by relatives and society, at large. My story is not unique; it is a reflection of the countless stories of many young minds

Not many are able to tackle the pressure and give up their dreams. I was successful in persuading my parents. The will to carry on must be the motto of every person who aspires to dream big.

A change of perception is required to tackle the notion that Arts has no future and only includes drawings or pondering over eminent empires or “mugging up” the context. The beauty of it lies in its ability to change society and help millions of human lives. Humanities has always formed the bedrock of our knowledge and our world.

- *Bhargab Ray*
11 Arts.



humanities



A celebratory scene featuring Italian football players in blue jerseys. One player in the center is holding the UEFA Euro Cup high above his head. The background is filled with a shower of red, blue, and yellow confetti. The text 'UEFA EURO 2020' is overlaid in large white letters, and a 'VS' graphic with the Italian and English flags is at the bottom.

UEFA EURO 2020

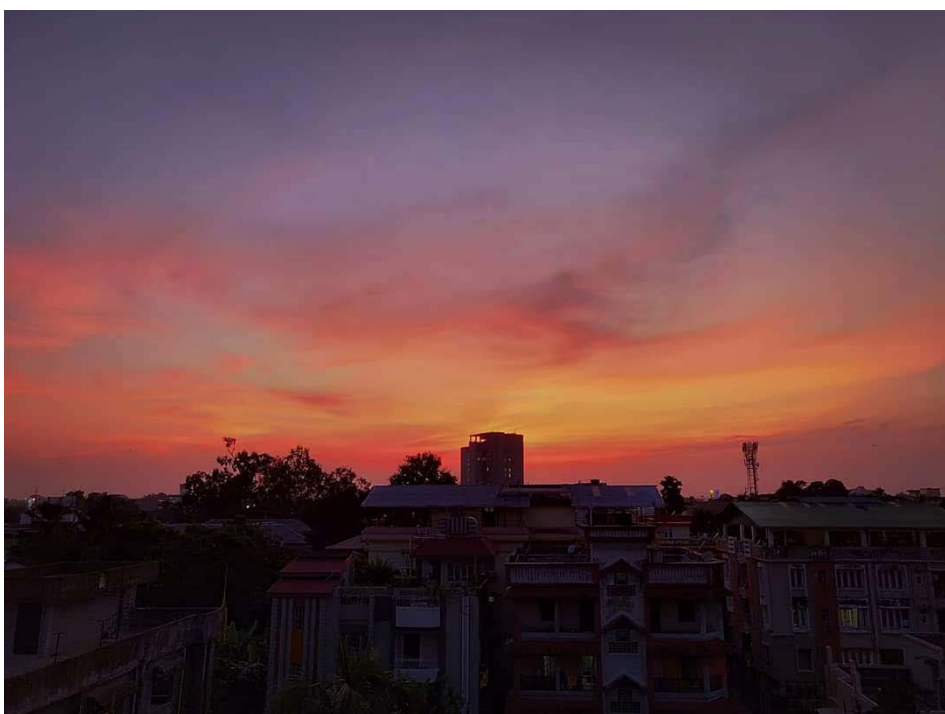
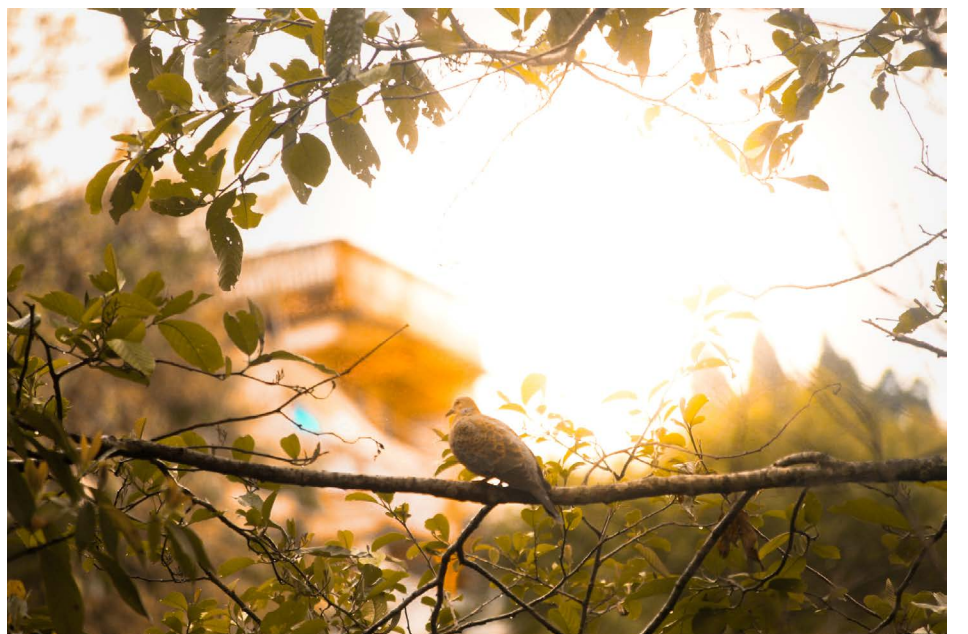




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