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ZYDUS SCHOOL FOR EXCELLENCE, VEJALPUR

# EDITOR'S Desk



Dear Readers!

We are back with our final issue of Zen Volume IX.

This edition is a testament to acknowledge the illustrious achievements by our students and the spectacular academic year we have witnessed. From the joy-filled representation of talent in the Annual day to the exciting Sports day, it has truly been a remarkable year. The Amogh art exhibition and club activity exhibition truly highlight the diverse range of interests and skills within our school community and make it noteworthy and memorable. Here we would also like to thank all the students for their valuable contributions in the making of this magazine. We wish everyone the very best for the coming academic year.

Vihaa Parekh Editor

> Editor's Desk, ZEN Magazine Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur





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A place where students can proudly let their creativity out without the fear of being judged.



# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Dear Children, Greetings from team ZEN !



Once again, I take this privilege to address you all through our E-Magazine 'ZEN'. Congratulations to all the students for their performance in the session 2023-24. As you embark on a new journey in the session 2024-25, I pray that you continue to surge ahead with lots of passion and determination to attain the best in life. Summer vacation is definitely a break from formal learning at school but not from self directed learning at home. Stan Jacobs aptly puts it –

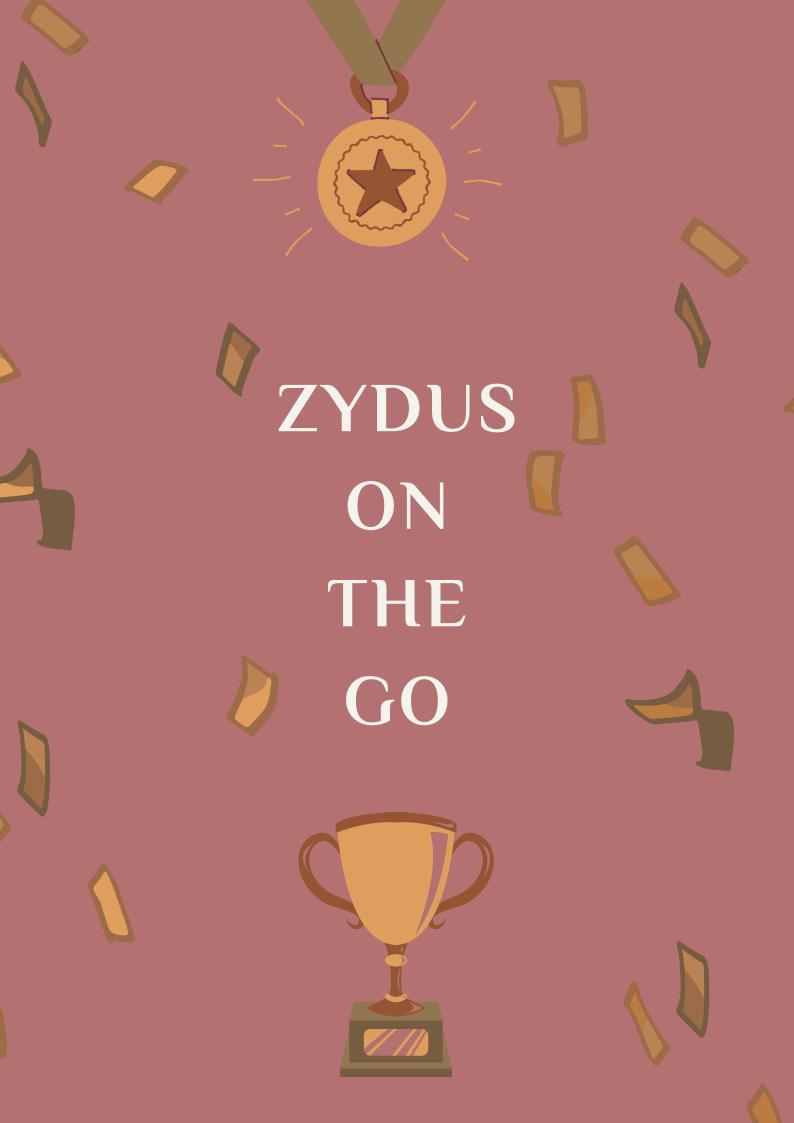
'To be happy in life develop four hobbies one to help you earn wealth, one to keep you healthy, one to bring you joy and one to bring you peace'.

Hence utilize this time to learn a new sport or pursue a creative hobby, socialize with friends and family in person rather than on social media. Hope you come back recharged and renewed with enthusiasm and energy for another successful term.

My best wishes to all the students awaiting the Board results. God bless !!



Mrs. Alka Murthy, The Principal Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur



# **Tata Building School Essay Competition**

Tata workshop was held in our school followed by Tata School Essay Competition.

#### Winners

Position	Seniors	Juniors
1st	Meghav Ladani	Pratham Shah
2nd	Mitra Dave	Hiya Reshamwala
3rd	Shami Vaghela	Navin Nair



# Geeta Chanting Competition

Ishanvi Walke from Jr.Kg B won the 2nd position in Chinmaya Geeta chanting competition under Category A among 3000 students. The event was conducted by Chinmaya Mission Ahmedabad on 5th November 2023.





# Handwriting Competition

Students from our school achieved success in a handwriting competition held on December 9th, 2023, at LML School in Ahmedabad, Gujarat. Their excellence was recognized across multiple languages including English, Gujarati, and Hindi, securing prizes in each category.

Class/Section	Student	Position			
2C	Prisha Thakkar	3rd			
5A	Mishika Jain	2nd			
Gujarati					
Class/Section	Student	Position			
18	Dira Trivedi	3rd			
3C	Kush Thanki	lst			
5B	Kenisha Mehta	2nd			

## English

#### Hindi

Class/Section	Student	Position
3C	Veer Shah	lst
3C	Dhyan Nayak	2nd
5A	Jashvi Surti	lst



# Amalthea '23 – Youth Tech-Tic

Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar had organized Amalthea '23, which is India's first student-run Annual Technical Summit (incepted in 2010) on their campus on 4th of November, 2023 (Saturday). Amalthea is an umbrella event under which conclaves, symposiums and tech expos are held. This year's theme for Amalthea was – Synergizing Knowledge, which aimed to provide unique platform for students, professionals, researchers and industry experts to contribute to science and technology.

Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur had participated in one of the events in Amalthea '23 –Youth Tech-Tic, which was organized for students of class 09-12. Four students –Mihika Chokhadia (12A), Mitra Dave (12A), Aarav Gupta (11A) and Meet Parikh (11A) represented school in this event.

Out of the six participating schools, Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur bagged the first prize – a trophy and a certificate for the school, a cash prize of INR 15000 and certificate of participation for each participant.











# Young Entrepreneurs Bootcamp

BITS Pilani had organsided a young entrepreneurs bootcamp to give students the experience of having a start up while still being in school. Anamaya Sharma, a class 9A student, had participated in this initiative.

# Karate Do-Gojukai

Aayushi Dave, a student from class 3B, demonstrated her talent by participating in the Karate Do-Gojukai competition. She bagged the second position in the individual Kumite competition held on December 28th.

# **Financial Literacy Programme**

Financial literacy classes were organised for Classes IX and X to foster responsible financial habits, informed decisionmaking, and lifelong financial well-being. Financial literacy is a crucial life skill that empowers individuals to make informed financial decisions and achieve financial stability. The students gained insight on the importance of being financially literate and learnt about the various programmes and tools regarding the enhancement of financial literacy education.











# Jr. Kg. Recitation Competition

The children of Jr.Kg. got an opportunity to exhibit their talent and confidence through Recitation competition which was held on 3rd February 2024.

The preliminary round was conducted in the class from which 11 children from each of the 2 sections were selected for the Final Round. The children had to select one of the poems from the list of 10 poems given to them.

A Judge and parents were invited to witness the competition. They appreciated and applauded the performance of the tiny tots and the children enjoyed the competition.

The main motive behind conducting such competitions, was to build self confidence, develop the oratory skills and self expression. The winners were felicitated with certificates and gifts by the judge and were praised for their capabilities.







# Little Star Silver Zone Olympiad

In the academic year 2023-24, Little Star Silver Zone Olympiad was held for the first time for Jr. Kg and Sr. Kg. The examination was conducted during regular school hours in the school premises.

The subjects for Jr. Kg. were Math and EVS and for Sr.Kg. the subjects were English, Math and EVS.

The dates for the same were as follows: Math- 5-12-2023 English-6-12-2023 EVS. - 7-12-2023

The winners were awarded medals and certificates by principal ma'am in the respective class. For every subject complimentary gifts were given to all who appeared for the examination.



# SOF English Olympiad Top Zonal Rankers

Sr No	Name	Class	Zonal Rank	Medal
1.	Tanay Raval	<b>4</b> A	12	Medal of Distinction
2.	Anamya Sharma	9A	13	Medal of Distinction
3.	Tanay Gandhi	9B	14	Medal of Distinction

# SOF Maths Olympiad Zonal Rankers

Sr No	Name	Class	Zonal Rank	Medal
۱.	Moksh Shah	1B	9	Medal of Distinction
2.	Sakshat Jadhav	1B	19	Medal of Distinction
3.	Rishaan Gupta	2A	17	Medal of Distinction
4.	Nivaan Shah	2A	9	Medal of Distinction
5.	Kushal Thanki	3C	10	Medal of Distinction
6.	Meghav Ladani	9B	3	Medal of Distinction



# SOF-IEO English Olympiad School Toppers

Sr. NO	Name of the Student	Class	MEDAL WON	SCHOOL RANK
1	МОКЅН ЅНАН	1	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
2	KIAAN VORA	1	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
3	SHKSHAT JADAV	1	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
4	HRUTVI KESHARE	2	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
5	ААНА ЅНАН	2	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
6	DHYAVI SHAH	2	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
7	VAISHAVI JOSHIPURA	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
8	KHILAV LADANI	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
9	KUSH THANKI	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
10	KIANA COOPER	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
n	PRISHA S SHAH	4	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
12	MUDITA DESAI	4	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
13	DEEYAN B SHAH	4	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	4
14	RISHAAN PATEL	5	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
15	RISHAAN G THACKKER	5	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
16	AARNA GOSALIYA	5	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
17	BHAVYA BHATT	6	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
18	SARA CHOKHADIA	6	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
19	AVIANA SAGHVI	6	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
20	ADVAIT VYAS	6	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
21	AASTHA BHATT	7	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
22	KEYA VYAS	7	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
23	ALBERT BERKMANS	8	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
24	ATMAJA J SHUKLA	8	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
25	HRITIKA KHARIDIA	8	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
26	VIHANN N SHAH	8	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
27	ARYA DHAWAL GAJJAR	9	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	4
28	MEGAHV LADANI	9	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	5



# SOF-IEO Mathematics Olympiad School Toppers

Sr. NO	Name of the Student	Class	MEDAL WON	SCHOOL RANK
1	ARYAVEER SANGHAVI	1	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	6
2	DIRA TRIVEDI	1	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	4
3	RIDHAAN KANSARA	1	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	5
4	ANSH PATEL	1	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
5	RAJVEERSINH KANTHARIA	2	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
6	AAHNA SHAH	2	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	6
7	SWAR BAIS	2	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	7
8	ABHIMANYU BHATIA	2	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	5
9	DHYAVI SHAH	2	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	4
10	PRIYAN TULSANI	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
n	SHREYAN DAVE	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	5
12	KHILAV LADANI	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
13	KIANA COOPER	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	4
14	KIYAN SHAH	3	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	6
16	PAHELI GANDHI	4	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
15	MYSHA CHANDRIA	4	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
17	TANAY P RAVAL	4	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	4
18	ARHAT PARIKH	4	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
19	ARYA T JOSHI	4	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	5
20	VYOM M GADANI	5	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
21	VIAANA SHAH	5	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
22	DANEESH BENGANI	5	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
23	RISHIT S MEHTA	6	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
24	VERNICA P JAIN	6	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
25	DHRUVIT BHATT	6	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
26	KARNA DWIVEDI	7	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
27	JANAY N PARIKH	7	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
28	VYAPTI RINKESH SHAH	7	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
29	NAVIN R NAIR	8	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	1
30	DHYAN GANDHI	8	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
31	ALBERT BERKMANS	8	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
32	ANAMYA SHARMA	9	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	2
33	VANSH M SHAH	9	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	3
34	MANIT KATHIARA	9	GOLD MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE	4



# **IIHM Young Chef Olympiad**

The initial stage of the IIHM Young Chef Olympiad commenced on December 5th, 2024, within the school premises, where fifteen students from grades 6 and 7 showcased homemade dishes in the NFC room, under the scrutiny of an IIHM chef. Following this, the subsequent round took place on February 12th, 2024, within the school premises once more, where ten contestants advanced. Like the previous round, participants prepared their dishes at home and presented them for evaluation by the IIHM chef.







# INTERHOUSE COMPETITIONS

# Collage Making

Rank	Name	Name House	
1.	Fiona Shah	Dharma	3В
2.	Darika Muchhala	Dharma	3В
3.	Hiya Patel	Bhakti	3A

Rank	Name	House	Class
1.	Hiya Shah	Dharma	4C
2.	Kshitija Dhanore	Dharma	4B
3.	Janhvi Dantani	Gyan	4C

Rank	Name	Name House	
1.	Dhrumi Patel	Gyan	5A
2.	Aaradhya Senapti	Gyan	5A
3.	Kavya Patel	Bhakti	5B



# Monoacting (Gujarati)

Rank	Name	Name House	
1.	Rayna Kotadia	Karma	4A
2.	Maayra Shah	Gyan	4B
3.	Aarya Joshi	Dharma	4C

#### Quiz <u>Classes 3-5</u>

Rank	Name	House	Class
1.	Shreyan Dave Arya Joshi Dev Parikh	Dharma	3B 4C 5C
2.	Gurnoor Sachdev Arhat Parikh Rishaan Patel	Gyan	3B 4B 5C
3.	Ayushi Dave- 3B Mudita Desai- 4C Maharsh Vora- 5B	Bhakti	3B 4C 5B

#### Classes 9-12

1st Position - Dharma	2nd Position - Karma	3rd Position - Bhakti
Anamaya Sharma Hoshvan Ginwala Hridayee Zala	Meghav Ladani Vrushti Shah Dhriti Desai Harsh Abhvani	Jai Dalal Yagna Oza Manna Sarangi Maanush Raval



#### Rangoli (Classes 9-12)

1st Position - Gyan	2nd Position - Gyan	3rd Position - Dharma
Vihaa Parekh	Mahek Shah	Riva Sindhava
Jiya Patel	Kashvi Kapadia	Manya Shah

#### Football (Classes 3-5)

1st Position - Gyan	2nd Position - Dharma	3rd Position - Karma
Kahaan Khamar	Saransh Brahmbhatt	Maahin Shah
Hirak Rathod	Atiksh Shah	Dhyey Kapadia
Krishiv Dabhi	Hitarth Shah	Prashav Kapadia
Kalp Shah	Neev Shah	Arnav Shah
Daneesh Bengani	Kunjal Prajapati	Mihit Rajguru
Parv Morbia	Keshav Barot	Maanit Rajguru
Divyam Mehta	Dhruvil Prajapati	Daksh Shah
Mantra Patel	Rishaan Thacker	Vy <mark>om Desai</mark>

# **Picture Composition (Class 1)**

Rank	Name	House	Class
1.	Snigdh Jain	Dharma	1C
2.	Jeeya Mehta	Dharma	1B
3.	Kimaayra Mishra	Gyan	1A



#### **Picture Composition (Class 2)**

Rank	Name	House	Class
1.	Veer Shah	Bhakti	2A
2.	Aahna Shah	Karma	2A
3.	Siyaju Patel	Dharma	2A

#### Debate (Class 9-12)

House	Participants	Class	Rank
Karma	Khanak Agarkar	9A	lst
Gyan	Maitr Patel	10 C	2nd
Dharma	Anamaya Sharma	9A	3rd

#### Muhavra Abhinay Ustad (6-8)

1st Position - Bhakti	2nd Position - Karma	3rd Position - Gyan
Maheep Gandhi	Aaradhya Yadav	Nandini Patel
Pramitnil Maiti	Kashvi Agarwal	Jenil Dalki
Freya Shah	Saee Joshi	Manav Parikh



#### **Basketball Boys (Class 6-8)**

1st Position - Gyan	2nd Position - Dharma	3rd Position - Bhakti
Devansh Desai Nirmit Soni Rudra Soheliya Pratham Shah Swapnil Makwana Dhwanit Makwana Tanush Jain Purav Shah Kahaan Mehta Mehaan Shah Aarav Thacker Raj Bhasker	Harshit Baxi Rishit Mehta Aarnav Mehta Yuvraj Desai Shrey Giya Amit Jahani Jian Gupta Vansh Solanki Bhavya Shah	Vihaan Shah Maheep Gandhi Divyer Vaghela Kahaan Solanki Advait Vyas Saik Salik Vedant Salariya Dhyan Gandhi Aarav Khakhi Vivaan Mashruwala Shan Thakkar Meet Soheliya

### **Basketball Girls (Class 6-8)**

lst Position - Karma	2nd Position - Gyan	3rd Position - Bhakti
Manya Mehta Viratee Shah Keya Vyas Tanvi Sarin Jananshi Mehta Riva Adani Swarna Rai Anaaya Shah Hridayi Shah	Manya Shah Aangi Tripathi Tanya Shivani Shanaya Dalal Diya Parikh Anusha Menon	Adeetri Maity Khushi Rushi Aastha Bhatt Vrinda Bansa Jiya Patel Viha Joshi



# Slogan Writing (6-8)

#### <u>Class 6</u>

House	Participants	Class	Rank
Bhakti	Mahi Shah	6B	lst
Bhakti	Saanvi Soni	6C	2nd
Gyan	Rudra Soheliya	6B	3rd

#### <u>Class 7</u>

House	Participants	Class	Rank
Gyan	Aashka Shah	7B	1st
Gyan	Diya Parikh	7B	2nd
Karma	Tashvi Sharma	7C	3rd

#### Class 8

House	Participants	Class	Rank
Dharma	Navin Nair	8A	lst
Dharma	Divija Bhambhani	8A	2nd
Dharma	Adhya Dave	8B	3rd



## Logo Designing (9-12)

House	Participants	Class	Rank
Bhakti	Shresth Sharma	11A	lst
Gyan	Aashna Kotecha	11A	2nd
Gyan	Yashvi Shah	9A	3rd

# Balgeet (1-2)

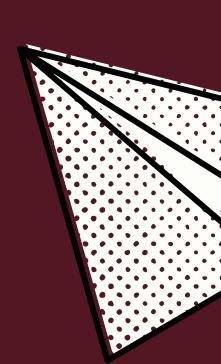
House	Participants	Class	Rank
Bhakti	Reyansh Vyas	2B	lst
Dharma	Pranshi Desai	2В	lst
Gyan	Vanshi Shah	2C	3rd
Karma	Shravya Rajguru	2A	3rd





# CAMPUS HULLABALOO





#### HARMONY WITH NATURE

#### JUNIOR ANNUAL DAY 2023

The stage dazzled with spectrum of colours as our tiny tots took centre stage to celebrate their Junior Annual Day on 6 th October 2023. The programme commenced with lighting of the ceremonial lamp. This was followed by a presentation of the Annual Report by respected Principal Ma'am Mrs. Alka Murthy, who highlighted the achievements and progress of the school.

The cultural programme for classes I and II was based on the theme 'Harmony with Nature'. The audience traversed to a visual jungle safari as the children danced on feet tapping music echoing the essence of nature. In sync with their theme, 'Animal Paradise', the children of the pre-primary section exuded oodles of fun and enthralled the audience with some peppy dance numbers and also spread the message to mankind to work towards the harmony of the animals and save them. The vibrant music and bright eye-catching costumes set the tone for the cultural programme. The spectacular evening concluded with the School Song followed by the National Anthem.





# **Embibe Workshop**

A session was arranged for demonstration of using the Embibe software for the by Educators of Maths, Science and Social Science. The workshop was conducted Mr. Nilesh Gotecha and Ms. Archana.

A brief was given about the software and it's working. Detailed demonstration was conducted for using the different modules in the software. The teachers were made aware of the resources present in different modules.

Subject-wise demonstration was conducted after the briefing. Modules from different grades were selected by the concerned teachers and the content was displayed.

# **ASISC Physics cell meet**

Association of Schools for the Indian School Certificate (ASISC) of North West Region (NWR) had organized a cell meeting for Physics subject at Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur campus on 15/09/2023 (Friday) for various CISCE schools in and around Ahmedabad. Both the Physics teachers (Mr. Nikunj and Mr. Sudeep) of ZSE, Vejalpur participated in this meeting.

# **Cyber Security Awareness**

A cyber security awareness session was conducted on 18th October for students of classes VIII to XII. The session addressed the importance of cybersecurity emphasizing the potential risks and protective measures associated with online activities. The session was conducted by Ms. Nidhi Chothani, Sr. Education Solutions Consultant, Heritage Cyberworld LLP.





#### GARBA NIGHT 2023

The ninth day of Navratri was celebrated with great vigour and fervour on 23rd October 2023. It was a spectacular display of cultural diversity and festive fervor as enthusiastic students, parents and teachers of both the campuses dressed in shimmering colourful traditional dresses danced through the evening to the tunes of traditional and vibrant Sheri Garba and Raas. In order to add to the excitement, competitions under various categories were held. The categories included Nursery to Classes 2, Classes 3 to 7 and Classes 8 to 12. Competition for parents, teachers, and the alumni was also held and enthusiasm oozed from all participants who matched the steps to the beats of the music. Food stalls with an array of mouth watering dishes to appeal the palate of all the revellers were set up. A funfilled gaming zone was also organized for the non-participants who enjoyed participating at the fullest. The program ended with distribution of prizes to winners in all the categories. Prizes were awarded for Best Dance, Best Costume, Best Steps and Longest Duration of Dance in all the categories.









#### APNE RANG HAZAAR

#### SENIOR ANNUAL DAY 2023

The annual day celebrations themed 'Apne Rang Hazaar' created an electrifying atmosphere that left parents, children, and staff spellbound. The program began with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp.The audience was then taken through a presentation of the School Annual Report by Principal Mrs. Alka Murthy who with great pride highlighted the achievements of the students and the school's progress in academic and non-academic areas.

True to its theme "Apne Rang Hazaar", the function translated to vivid colors, symbolizing the celebration of individuality and the varied talents of the children. The lively cultural program commenced with a soul-stirring instrumental rendition of the bhajan 'O Paalan Hare', followed by a series of foot-tapping patriotic songs that filled the air with patriotic fervor. An enthralling spectacle of dances which was a blend of hip-hop, classical and contemporary forms all in harmony with the 'Apne Rang Hazaar' theme, awaited the eager audience as students took the stage to flaunt their dancing prowess.

Furthermore, the program also included Hindi and English skits, each thoughtfully conveying significant messages, adding depth to the overall event and leaving a lasting impact on the audience. The significance of truth was effectively conveyed through the Hindi skit, while the English skit powerfully conveyed the idea that the value of education goes beyond its monetary worth. The resounding applause and cheering from the audience further lifted the spirits of the children and the auditorium resonated with their claps. The program came to a splendid end with all the participants coming together for the School Song followed by the National Anthem.

























#### PRE PRIMARY DIWALI CELEBRATION

The festival of lights was celebrated on Wednesday 8th November, 2023. The special assembly was conducted in the main assembly for the students of Classes 1st and 2nd. The story behind the festival was narrated by one of the teachers and dramatized by the other teachers followed by Diwali songs. The take away of painted diyas was given to the children which they had painted by themselves in Jr.KG. and Sr.KG.

In Nursery the children prepared diya hanging as a take away that was given to them. This is the way pre-primay students celebrated Diwali with zeal and enthusiasm.







#### **PRE-PRIMARY FANCY DRESS COMPETITION**

Zydus School for Excellence conducted the Fancy Dress Competition on 25th November 2023 for the children of Jr. Kg. The performance was witnessed by Principal ma'am and parents. Each student was appreciated and applauded for depicting the character through self expressions and vibrant costumes.

The main motive behind conducting competition was to give the students an opportunity to exhibit their talent, to blend learning, build self confidence and develop their oratory skills.

The performance was evaluated by the Judge, gifts and certificates were distributed among best five performers.

Overall the event was grand success where each of our tiny tots embarked on the journey of creativity and imagination.







#### 21st ANNUAL SPORTS MEET 2023

The 21st Annual Sports Meet for classes III to XII was hosted with great enthusiasm and fervor on 20th December 2023 at the Sports Authority of India (SAI) ground. Dr. Rachana Patel, International Para Badminton Player graced the occasion as the Guest of Honor. The opening ceremony commenced with the Flag Hoisting by the Guest of Honour and respected Principal Ma'am Mrs. Alka Murthy followed by the Inter-House March Past competition. As the drumbeat rolled, students marching as one team, ushered the feeling of team spirit. Guest of Honour Dr. Rachana Patel took the guard of honour from the cadets of the four houses.

Sparking the flame of sporting spirit was the torch relay wherein athletes who made us proud by representing our school at the national level came forward to light the flame. The Torch Bearers were Darsh Soni, Darsh Joshi, Kavish Shah, Palash Shah, Kalgi Mehta, Chiara Patel, Maanvi Shah, Dhanvi Parikh, Pearl Modi and Tanuj Gaudani followed by flag bearers Jahan Panchal, Meghav Ladani, Dhyey Shah and Vivaan Mashruwala.



After lighting the flame, the Sports Captain Darsh Soni came forward to administer the Oath. Esteemed Guest of Honor Dr. Rachana Patel further elevated the atmosphere with an inspiring speech. Thereafter, our Principal Ma'am declared the Sports Week Open along with the releasing of balloons.





The winners of all the Track and Field events were felicitated during the Prize Distribution ceremony with trophies, medals and certificates.

The Best Athlete Boy in category III-V was Kahan Khamar, Gyan House and Best Athlete Girl was Dhyana Parekh, Dharma House. In the VI-VIII category, the Best Athlete Boy was Jian Gupta, Dharma House and Best Athlete Girl was Havisha Bhatt, Dharma House. In the category IX-XII, Kavish Shah of Karma House was declared the Best Athlete Boy and Dhanvi Parikh of Bhakti House was declared the Best Athlete Girl.

Gyan House accumulated the highest points and were declared the winner of the 21 st Annual Inter-House Sports Meet'. They also clinched the 'March Past' and the 'Mass Drill' trophies. The 'Discipline Trophy' was bagged by Dharma House.





ZEN VOLUME IX

#### **ZYDUS ZEPHYR** FAREWELL 2023-24

The Farewell for class XII students was organized on 12th January 2024 by the students of class XI. There were tags distributed, games played and dance steps showcased. It was followed by dinner.





#### DADDY'S DAY OUT

Daddy's Day out was a fun event that took place on 20th January 2024. It was organised by Zydus Buds. The memorable event aimed to strengthen the bond between fathers and their children, providing a platform for shared experiences and quality time.

Various outdoor activities were held, encouraging dads and kids to participate together. The atmosphere was filled with joy and friendly competition.









#### **REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION**

The 75th Republic Day was celebrated by the staff and students with patriotic fervor on 26th January 2024. The celebrations began with the hoisting of our national flag by our respected Principal Ma'm, Mrs. Alka Murthy who was escorted by the school Deputy Head Boy Shresth Sharma and Deputy Head Girl Aashna Kotecha.

Continuing with the spirit of patriotism, we had Vihaa Parekh of Class 12 who rendered a speech and a self composed poem in English and Krishil Rajpal of Class 10, who presented a speech in Hindi.

Bringing the day to a sweet end, all students and the staff were distributed sweets on this special occasion.





#### SPORTS DAY (JUNIORS) CLASSES NURSERY - 2ND

Our School set the stage with exuberance and fun as it hosted the muchanticipated Junior Annual Sports Meet on 27th January 2024. The opening ceremony began with a welcome address by respected Principal Ma'am Mrs. Alka Murthy followed by releasing of balloons to declare the Sports Meet open. As the colorful balloons soared into the sky, it set the tone for a day filled with excitement and camaraderie. The school's sports ground was transformed into a vibrant arena, echoing with the cheers and laughter of students, parents and staff members.

The sports meet featured a wide array of fun-filled races. To name a few, for classes I & II, some of the races were stretch the ball with hula hoop, sideway walk race, hurdles, collecting the objects, relay race and some races for preprimary children included the carrot hunters, beach fiesta, threading the beads, crawling caterpillars.

Parents were also treated to a spectacular visual feast as they watched with pride and joy, witnessing the spectacular mass drills displayed by their children. The day ended on a high note with medals and certificates awarded to winners of various events.



### SR.KG. GRADUATION CEREMONY

Graduation ceremony of Sr.Kg. students was held on 16th March '24. The guest of honor of the ceremony was Mrs. Bhavika Tulsiani. She has 19 years of experience of as an educator, academic head and principal. She is also counseling parents and children. The function started with a prayer song followed by principal ma'am's address, a spectacular dance by Grade 1 students and an address by Guest of honor. Sr.Kg. students were given Graduation hats and certificates by Principal ma'am and the guest of honor.

Sr.Kg. students sang the graduation song. The ceremony concluded with vote of thanks and National Anthem.











## AMOGH - ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION

Visitors were treated to a visual spectacle as our students breathed life into canvasses with their artistic strokes and vivid colour palettes during Amogh – The Annual Art Exhibition organized by the school. The two-day exhibition was held on 3rd and 4 th February at L&P Hutheesingh Visual Art Centre.

Around 500 captivating artworks, including canvas paintings, hand-painted table runners, panel, string and fluid art, paper frame works, potli bags, desk calendars, decorated wooden boxes, paper bags, and an array of other artistic pieces, crafted by the children, adorned the walls of the gallery. The live demonstration showcased the creativity of our children as they proudly presented their handmade macramé keychains with joy and enthusiasm. The event was attended by parents, students and art enthusiasts.





#### STEM LAB

The school has recently incorporated STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education into the curriculum, making a significant step forward in our educational approach. On February 14, 2024, the STEM lab was inaugrated in the august presence of Mrs. Meha Sharvil Patel, Vice Chairperson, Zydus LifeSciences, a testament to our commitment to fostering innovation and excellence. Equipped with resources and technologies, the STEM lab provides an immersive environment that bridges the gap between theory and practice. It empowers students to innovate, collaborate, and thrive in an ever evolving world.











### ZYSHOW

Our school brimmed with enthusiasm as students showcased their talents, unveiling a multitude of life skill exhibits and models during ZyShow; the school's Annual Exhibition. The exhibition provided a platform for students to display their non-academic skills acquired through various club activities conducted throughout the year.

It was a visual treat for the visitors as they walked through the corridors, capturing moments documented by the Photography Club students. The Needlework and Art section displayed a spectrum of creativity, featuring colourful macramé sling bags, canadian smocking bags, embroidered pillow covers and cushion covers, dot painted paper bags, knife paintings, texture art and relief wood work.

The Gardening section was a soothing sight filled with a kaleidoscope of beautiful flowers, vegetables and medicinal herbs grown. The Carpentry section showcased an array of skillfully crafted wooden articles made by students, which included trays, cutlery and trivet stands, bookstands, to name a few.

The Science section demonstrated their prowess by presenting a spectrum of projects, featuring both operational and non-operational models. The Non-Fire Cooking club enchanted taste buds with mouth-watering snacks. The Leadership, Quiz, IT, and Community Services students captivated the audience with their lively and intriguing presentations and the Public Speaking, Dance, Dramatics, and Music club activities witnessed energetic performances.

The year-long efforts of the students proved to be a rewarding experience for parents who left with not just academic results but also with a profound sense of pride and joy, having witnessed the diverse talents presented by their children.

































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## **SELF-COMPOSED POEMS**

#### TO MY FATHER

Dad, I thank you To be my FATHER, And for the assurance you gave, To never to go away farther. Dad, I thank you To be my entertainer, And for all the jokes and teasing, Which made me a complainer. Dad, I thank you To be my supporter, And for all the motivating speeches, Which made me my sorrow's conqueror. Dad, I thank you To be my lifeline, And for all the hopeful breaths you gave, Which filled my life with sunshine. Dad, I thank you To be my bloodline, And for the genes that you have passed to me, Which promises to make me immortal even after my decline. At last, I Thank You Dad For all the conquest you've bought me, So I can shout to the whole world, About the vulnerable blessing the God gave to me... That's my DAD, you, MY DAD.



Tiya Chauhan 9B



#### Resurrection

In the bathroom I was, ready ready with a knife, ready to end it all ready to cut a slit and end my period of fall ready to get away from this rotating speck of dirt bearer of all my misery, lovingly called earth

In the bathroom I stood, awaiting awaiting for the moment of realization which everyone talks about so amicably wherein I would leave those thoughts, in the bathroom just to walk into my parents open arms

And that moment came when I realized, I don't want to do this I don't want to run from the pain only to hand it to all those who love me I don't want to hurt them in the attempt of running from the my demons

All I needed was a knife so next to my blood, my life on the edge of itself ready to fall into death, only to step back one step back and none forward away from the cliff of death and nearer to elixir of life

This was my resurrection.

ZEN VOLUME IX

#### Gem

Plastic smiles, hidden tears broken heart like broken shells don't hide yourself, you're a gem a gem that hides and wears a cloak of mere pretence; you know not your worth now but know, you're a gem one that hides its radiant shine because it blinds those too blind to see it sparkle but, it will give sight to those who ought to see the charm



#### Aashna Kotecha 11A



## **SELF-WRITTEN STORIES**

## A NIGHT IN THE WOODS

The eerie silence of the enclosing woods was barely filled by the distant barking of unkempt street dogs. The sky seemed to be forming a dome of clouds around the chilly, dense woods. A cricket or two chirped, albeit in fear.

A huge drop of sweat trickled down my forehead. Just as I tried to speed away on my bicycle to escape this spine-chilling occurrence, the cycle tripped over a rock and fell with a thud. With a sprained elbow and a leg full of small wounds, I dragged the cycle slowly, making me wince in pain. All of a sudden the woods did not seem very quiet; I felt as though the trees were watching my every move. The fear made the hair behind my neck stand up in attention – Footsteps! I heard soft footsteps behind me but when I turned my head only the haunting darkness stared into my forsaken face. Chanting God's name, I kept walking.

Eventually, I met with a street light that flickered as soon as my eyes fell on it. The chains of fear seemed to have tied my hands and feet. The sound of footsteps kept creeping up on me but every time I looked back, I just saw pitch-black darkness and trees that resembled monsters.

A hand rested on my shoulder, I was trying to hold back my tears. And can you believe what I saw? The prettiest face stared at me. It was my neighbour who was like a mother to me. She wore a crimson saree, with delicate gold earrings and a look of emotions mixed with happiness and freedom on her face. With a familiar kind look, Leena Aunty caressed my fear and walked forward without saying a word. Leaving me terribly confused, she had just walked away!

I heaved a sigh of relief as the parking lot of my house came into view. As I entered, my mother, with tears in her eyes, told me that Leena Aunty was no more. She died two hours ago. A tiny tear rolled down my pink sweaty cheeks and I settled in the warmth and comfort of my mother's embrace.

Not everything that looks scary is evil...is it?

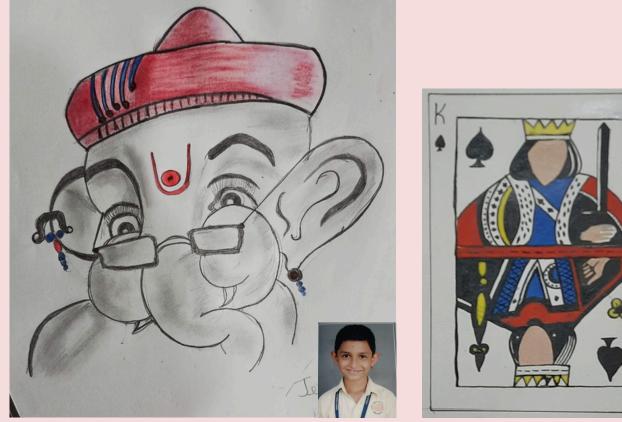




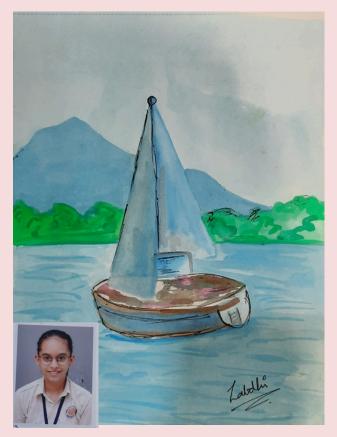


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# ARTWORKS

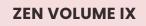


-Jenil Dalki 7B



-Labdhi Shah 9A







## **OUTGOING BATCH XII**

#### Dear Students,

As you close this chapter, may your next one be filled with success, happiness, and continuous growth. We wish you the very best for your future endeavours!







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