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# OVER THE RIDGE

# **Ridge Valley School Monthly Newsletter**



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Ms. Nidhi Tewari

Principal

# From The Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Ridgeans

Greetings!

The school reopened in September for classes 9 to 12 and with open hearts, we welcomed students of all classes from November 1st. However, we had to close again due to rising levels of pollution in Delhi and NCR. It was a delight to see the happy faces of our children. It seemed like the building was brightened up again.

The Covid-19 pandemic was an unexpected disruption, but air pollution remains the national capital's chronic crisis which recurs every year. However, amid this chaos and unending challenges, we had a successful adventure camp on 13th November. A lot of skill-building activities were planned by our co-curricular team and the purpose was to bring smiles on the faces of our little ones. We at RVS are making every effort to bring joy to our students as school life is considered to be the best phase of their lives.

I am pleased to share that we have successfully started with training sessions for golf on weekends. The challenges are great, but we will not stop.

Our teachers have worked hard and prepared students of Grades10 and 12 who are appearing for CBSE Term 1 Examination. We wish them luck.

"Keep reading. It's one of the most marvelous adventures that anyone can have." – Lloyd Alexander



# From The Editor's Desk

"Creativity is as important in education as literacy and we should treat it with the same status" - Ken Robinson

Just as the mirror reflects our outer personality, our inclination towards different activities reflects our inner personality.

Here, we release the E-newsletter for the month of November, 2021. It incorporates the prolific activities conducted by the school to unleash the innate talent and skill of our students breaking down the barriers of virtual platform.

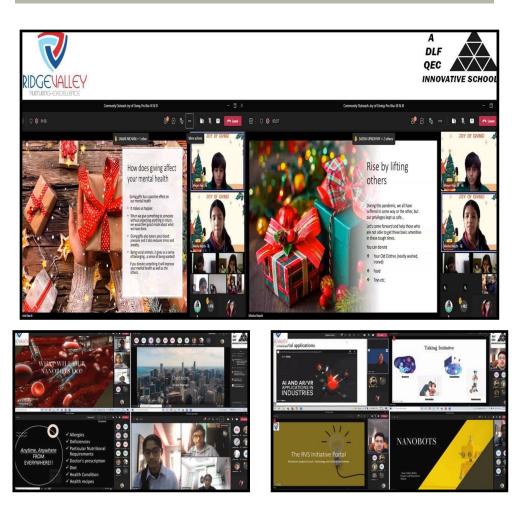
We thank our parents for their incredible support to make every endeavor a success.

We feel extremely overjoyed to share glimpses of the activities taken by our zealous students with the teachers as their sailors during the month.

So, to showcase the aptitude of our students of Ridge Valley School, we hereby present before you the E-Newsletter.

Happy Reading!

# **Events**



#### Community Outreach Program

As a part of the Community Outreach Program, a sensitization session on 'Joy of Giving' was conducted by the students of Grade XI. They did a wonderful talk on "Understanding what Joy of Giving" month is all about and explained the significance of how donating brings joy and happiness and impacts our state of well being.

# Ridge Valley School

Ridge Valley School is a trust, run institution established by promoters of DLF Group. The school was established in 2010.

Ridge Valley is spread over 6-acres of land in a prime location of Gurugram, Haryana. It has a large open area for cocurricular and sports activities for its students. Ridge Valley has created a niche for itself for its non-profit approach to run the operations of the school. The school lovingly fosters children in a caring environment and delivering academic excellence in a warm, caring environment. Its excellent infrastructure complements the school's value of creating high quality space for curricular & co-curricular pursuits of its learners. The school has big well-lit rooms to study, a beautiful amphitheatre to encourage creative performances, big fields to run and play. The school is e-enabled with lease lines. Wi-Fi and ERP software.

### Mythological Character



SST Week

### Dress up as Favourite Mythological character

Gerald Hausman once said "Mythology can be defined as Sacred History of Humankind". Early Years students of Ridge Valley School relived history by enacting mythological characters of their choice like Lord Ganesh, Lord Ram, Sita, Laxman, Lord Krishna, Lord Vithala, Lord Shiva, Shabri, Lord Narsingh, Lord Hanuman, Pandora etc. Students dressed up in colourful attire, confidently spoke about their selected character from Indian or Greek Mythology and their learnings from them. The activity gave an opportunity to students to recreate characters, narrate stories and share with their friends important and meaningful things in life.





#### Tech Share and Care

What a great start of the day ! It was an enlightening discussion on AI, AR and VR where students of Grade IX shared how technology can be a boon in healthcare system. Ishaan Chamoli of Grade XI shared his idea of bringing creativity of students together. Well donea students !!





### Ridgean Fest - Children's Day Celebrations

The students of Ridge Valley School were treated to a Children's Day special that saw them full of smiles. They had an exhilarating celebration on Saturday 13th Nov with activities galore at the event 'Sports and Strokes' organized by the School in collaboration with Rocksport, the adventure activities organizer. Attended by the Ridgeans in large numbers, there were also the residents of Pioneer Park where the event was conducted, who enjoyed this adventurous surprise to the fullest! Commando Net, Commando Crawl, Burma Bridge, Laser Beam, Wall Climbing, Minefield and Body Zorb were some of the activities which the youngsters participated in with gusto that made the atmosphere vibrant and left them with happy faces, asking for more.



#### Fighting Cancer— Special assembly on Nationa Cancer Awareness Day

The students of Grade XI conducted an assembly on 'National Cancer Awareness Day' in the context of fighting the disease, and the ways in which we can observe this day. The students presented an informative video on five emotional stages of a person suffering from cancer followed by a motivational video to spread the message how important it is to be positive in all the phases of life.

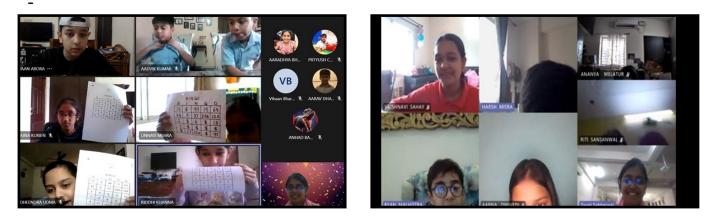




### Matheletics Grades IV and V

# 'Our whole life is like solving puzzles' - Erno Rubik

'Mathematics is not just about numbers – rather, it's a language. Puzzles allow students to use combine their hands and minds to explore the challenges. Grade IV and V students were engaged in Matheletics today – wherein they answered Maths puzzles while combining fun exercises and activities with it. Grade IV Students played a game of Bingo while practicing their analytical, logical skills. Grade V students played mental math games and solved different levels to reach the end. Here are a few glimpses of the same



# Peer Learning Activity

Peer to peer learning is an educational practice in which students interact with one another to attain educational goals. Alongside guidance from instructors, peer to peer learning allows students to work through new concepts and material with other individuals engaged in the same work and provides them with opportunities to teach and be taught by one another, expanding their perspectives and fostering meaningful connections. This valuable experience gives students insight into the ideas and perspectives of their classmates and sharpens their critical thinking skills.

Grades III to V students were involved in a peer-to-peer learning activity. Grade V Junior Student Council stepped into the shoes of educators as they took the initiative of educating their peers from Grades III and IV regarding some pertinent issues like combating the spread of dengue and water conservation.

Students used various resources like ppts, quizzes as well as hands on activities to explain the same to their peers. A DIY mosquito repellent and rain gauge was demonstrated by the Grade V students which made the learning process more effective and interactive.

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# **Tiny Tots Corner**

## Working with seeds and leaves Activity —

Working with seeds and leaves can teach your students about much more than capillary action, germination, and photosynthesis. It can provide valuable lessons in caring for living things, collecting data, and using the scientific method. Teaching children about how plants work is often a simple a matter of building on their natural curiosity. Hands on learning is always fun, engaging and gives students the opportunity to self-correct, students of Grade 1enthusiastically participated in an activity on Plants wherein they used clay to make the parts of the plants like roots, stem, leaves, flowers and fruits.



"The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young." - Henry Ford

# Virtual Trip

The young learners were excited to go on a virtual trip to the airport and enter the world of air transport, getting familiar with the concept through the story of an amazing aeroplane. Art helped to connect better with akshars and popular stories. Numbers and their names became friendly when put on paper and for the tiny tots, the number one was fun with bud printing and objects they made with clay doh.



### **Mathematics Activity**

"Mathematics is in its own way the poetry of Logical Ideas." The mathematics curriculum at the primary level aims to develop a number of mathematical skills and processes in children. Keeping this point in mind, the department of Mathematics organised Matheletics for students of Grades I to III. Various fun activities were designed to ensure that children build a strong foundation in mathematics by integrating and applying mathematical concepts in a variety of ways and situations like critical thinking, analytical skills, problem solving, reflection, focus, etc. It was a delight to see the students enjoying while performing several activities on the virtual platform.



### **Diwali Celebrations**

The young learners of Early Years fresh from Diwali celebrations, easily settled down into their sessions as they got familiar with new letters, numbers, akshars and words. The use of art to tell a story, singing their favourite songs, coming to know about life under the sea and about the modes to travel on land, kept them busy by combining learning with fun.



#### Baby's Day Out — August 19, 2021

The students were thrilled on the second day of English week as they involved themselves in hands on activities to explore their innate emotional intelligence and heighten their ability based on the 3H approach of (Head, Heart and Hand). A memory game activity was conducted on Nearpod for students of Grade I in which they had to sequence the story flash cards. The students of Grade II participated in an activity based on jumbled words and enthused as they correctly answered .Children thoroughly enjoyed the wholesome activity and their inner glee was evident from their enthusiastic participation throughout the interactive pe-



"Education is a progressive discovery of our own ignorance." - Will Durant

# Laurels

### **AI Enthusiast-A Proud Ridgean**

Let's give it up for Ishaan Chamoli of Grade XI who participated in AI Enthusiast challenge and submitted his brilliant idea about helping "Refugee Relocation through AI Mapping". His idea has been selected as global top 10 and India's number 1 idea at Intel's AI Global Impact festival. He will soon be awarded with a certificate along with prize of USD 1500. RVS is so proud of you!



### **Brain Teaser**

- a. What has 13 hearts but no other organs?
- b. What has a head and a tail, but no body or legs?
- c. I touch the earth and I touch the sky, but if I touch you, you'll likely die. What am I?
- d. They come at night without being called and are lost in the day without being stolen. What are they?

Answers: a. A deck of cards, b. a coin, c. Lightening, d. stars