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## Special day- Farm to Kitchen

- A Nursery Activity

Milk and dairy products are an important part of a healthy diet, especially for young children. Through a special day called "Farm to Kitchen" Our Nursery students learned how to make dairy products like butter, ghee, curd, etc. They also understood that the products that we get from the farm can be used in our kitchen in different forms like ketchup, juices, bread, and much more. The little ones were excited to bring bread, cucumber, carrot, and butter to make a sandwich. They had fun making their own sandwiches and eating them too. From this process, they gained a deeper understanding of eating healthy food and helped them learn and gave them a chance to prepare their own food.



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# Student Council Elections on a Virtual Platform' - when BHIS-K waved innovation into elections !!



-Ms. Shiny Shajil (Activities Coordinator)

'On 27th July 2020, the curtains of the virtual world unveiled to showcase the 18 nominees ready to battle out and make their spot into the Prefectorial Body 2020-21.

The Student Council elections went live @ 10:30 am through a zoom webinar which saw the convergence of all the students and parents of BHIS-K who were keen to cast their votes and elect a wonderful cabinet of leaders. The candidates took turns and rendered their electoral speech which was judged by the panel of seasoned leaders including our Chairperson Mr.Yasir Nainar, Deputy Chairperson/Principal Ms.Asma Nainar, Principal Elect of Kangaroo Kids Doha, Qatar - Ms.Deepa Chakraborty, our CAIE Coordinator Ms.Padmapriya Sreeram and our CBSE middle-school in-charge Ms.Sandya. After rendering their speech, the candidates had to answer a question posed by one of the judges to evaluate their presence of mind and ability to think/respond quickly.

Following this, the polls were open and all the members of BHIS-K exercised their right to vote and voiced their opinion of choice. The programme concluded with the host, Master Shubhansh announcing that the results shall be declared on 29th July 2020. Following 1 day of nail-biting suspense, the results were out and the entire BHIS-K community welcomed their new student leaders with open hands!!

**STUDENT COUNCIL POLL 2020-21**

Prayer By Hiren Kumar Grade 5 IGCSE

**Vote for THEERTHA MADHU!**

**Nominee**  
Name: P. Darshan  
Grade: VIII  
Wing: CBSE  
Candidature: Sports Captain

**Nominee**  
Name: Pramod  
Grade: VII  
Wing: IGCSE  
Candidature: Equality House Captain

**Nominee**  
Name: Tharun M  
Grade: VII  
Wing: IGCSE  
Candidature: Freedom House Captain

**Nominee**  
Name: Aryan Kadirvel  
Grade: VII  
Wing: IGCSE  
Candidature: Public Relation Officer

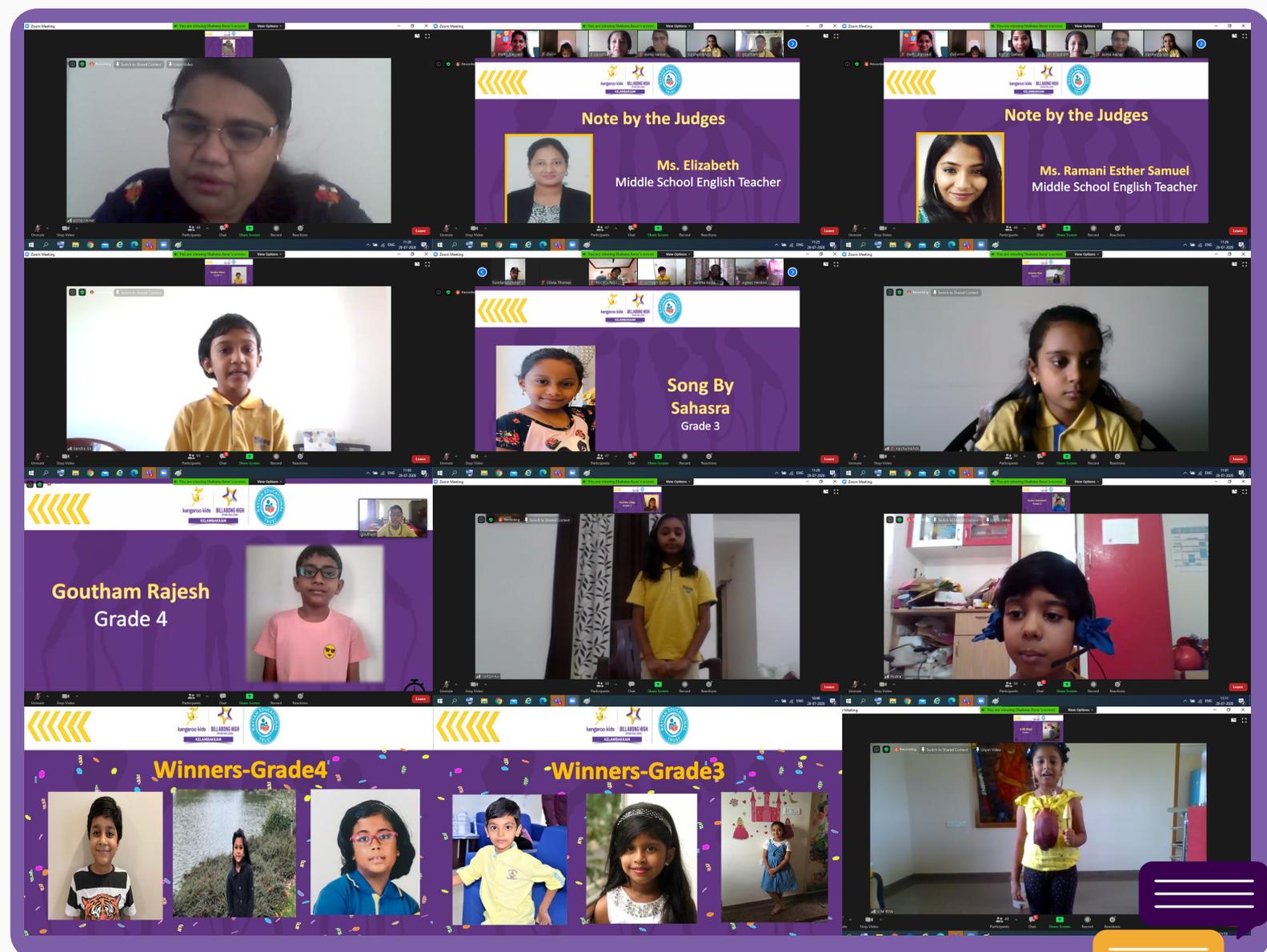
<b>Theertha Madhu</b> STUDENT AMBASSADOR CBSE	<b>Saathvik</b> STUDENT AMBASSADOR CAIE	<b>Tejaasvin</b> SPORTS CAPTAIN	<b>Nandhini Vijay</b> UNITY HOUSE CAPTAIN	<b>Jiya Shekinah Rose</b> EQUALITY HOUSE CAPTAIN	<b>Tharun M</b> FREEDOM HOUSE CAPTAIN	<b>Vedanth</b> PEACE HOUSE CAPTAIN	<b>Aryan Kadirvel</b> PUBLIC RELATION OFFICER	<b>Aashni Jenefa</b> ENVIRONMENT OFFICER	<b>Deepika Rajeshwar</b> HEALTH OFFICER
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# World Nature Conservation day- Intra-School Elocution competition for Grade 3 & 4. -Ms.Savitha Kodakkat



- LET'S HEAL OUR PLANET FOR A BETTER TOMORROW-

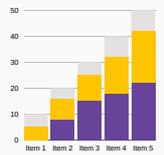
World Nature Conservation Day is celebrated annually on 28th July around the world to increase awareness about protecting natural resources. The Eco-club organised the Elocution competition on this special day to create awareness among the future generation to understand the importance of saving our planet. The preliminary round of the competition was conducted on 24th July, which was judged by Ms. Cynthia, Ms. Savitha & Ms.Aruna who are part of our literary club. The top 5 participants from each grade were selected for the finals. The topic for the competition was 'Why recycling is mandatory'? The finals were presided over by our Chairperson Mr.Yasir Nainar. The competition was judged by our esteemed educationists namely, Director & Principal Ms. Asma Nainar, Middle school language Head Ms.Esther, and our English Teacher Ms.Elizabeth. The event was presented by our little stars Ovi Patel from grade 3 & Keshwina from grade 4 who were confident in conducting the proceedings of the event. The students took part with great enthusiasm and it was indeed great to listen to their unique ideas and views. The judging was done based on content, language, clarity of thought, presentation skills, and creativity. Our Judges had a tough time, and they were overwhelmed by the skills of the budding orators of our school. Music by Sundar sir along with our students singing to the tunes added more colour to the event. On behalf of the Eco club, Sriniranjana from grade 4, delivered the vote of thanks. The competition helped to improve the English speaking skills and confidence of all the participants. The talent showcased by the young ones made it a truly memorable event.





# Graphing our success quotient

- Ms. Padmapriya Sreeram (CAIE Coordinator)



Teaching straight line graphs can often prove daunting. Learners are very familiar with seeing graphs in different contexts but they usually don't find working with linear graphs easy. It is useful for learners to see a range of graphs with their context of use. Online resources like graphing calculators help create and display graphs for use during lessons. This helped our learners to concentrate on investigating the connections between the equation of a graph and its properties. At the end of the session, the students comprehended the fundamentals of graphing linear equations through conceptual development and practice. They also understood that gradient is not just the slope of the graph but also a rate of change. This concept helps in other subjects, such as science too. Using these tools our students could connect the math concept learned in class to real-world scenarios.

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y	3	1	-1	-3	-5

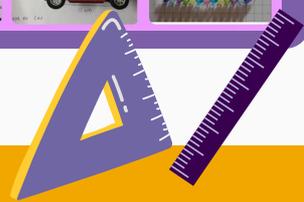


# Measure and Make Treasure! - Smrithi Saanvritha, (Grade 3 Student)

The Measurement activity encouraged us to practice measuring using various tools such as ruler and measurement tape, this concept was introduced for us to learn more about measurements and conversion. As this activity involved all my family members I enjoyed it a lot.

I measured my family member's wrist to make a wrist band for them and me. With the measures, I added my creativity into it, made the most beautiful bands for my father, mother, and sister.

We had a fun-filled day, learning a new concept. Through this activity practically experienced the concept and had a clear understanding. I was also excited to see my friend's work done with their family members which were displayed in the virtual classroom.



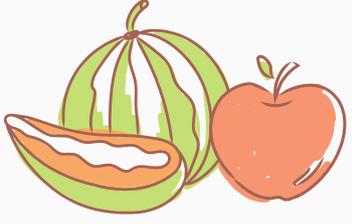
# Educators turned Epistemophilic

- Ms.Cynthia Rajkumari (Grade 2 Educator)

BHIS-K never gives a second thought when it comes to enhancing educators’ skills. Billabong always offers a range of standard workshops and would be happy to tailor specific sessions to fit our educator’s needs. Those who followed the events at BHIS-K regularly would have witnessed videos at each event. This is where the video editor role comes in, it is their job to go through every “raw footage” and decide which scenes are the best scenes to use for the final output. After selecting various scenes and shots, the editor’s next responsibility is assembling them and sequencing them logically and effectively. Once this editing is finished “each scene should segue into the next flawlessly” Since many of our educators are always open to learning BHIS-K had arranged a workshop on Video Editing with our in-house talent Ms. Praveena Prabhakaran on 29th July. Our educators had a fruitful session on how to add video and audio to the track and how to split the layers and much more. Our educators were so thankful and felt very educated and inspired to get creative



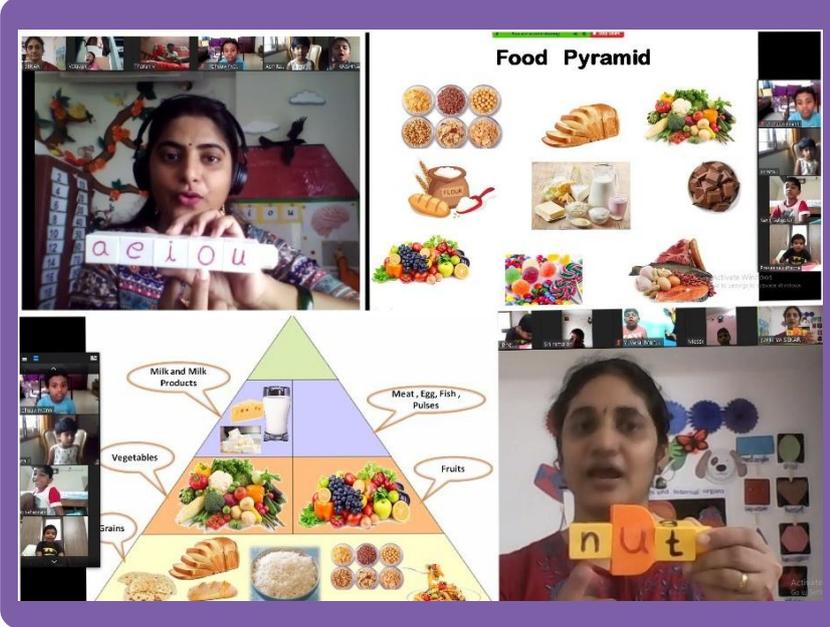
## Let’s Make A healthy choice -A Senior Kg Activity



We all know health is important and for a healthy body, we should include nutritional food in our diet. Our senior kindergarten students had learned about the essential ingredients of a healthy body while playing “ Let’s Make Food Pyramid “ fun game.

Learning is not always about a notebook and pencil but it can be our toys as well; Yes! There is absolutely no wrong or right way to play with few things and one of those things is the lego Building Blocks.

Our students were encouraged to learn the blending of phonemes using Build Blocks and it was an open-ended play and learning experience during the virtual session.



# New members in our BHIS-K Family

We have 2 new teachers who have joined our teaching community!! Read on to know more about them

Ms. Neha Ghosh, is a post-graduate degree holder in English Literature and Gender. She holds an interest in Gender Studies and also believes in bringing a paradigm shift in the society where everyone will have an equal right. Her passion for teaching and love for students helps in balancing the integrity of the class. Empathy is one of her core principles as she believes, that in order to make the environment of the class more suitable for the students to share their experiences and understanding and increase their confidence it is important to have empathy for their emotions. As maintaining this not only helps in improving teacher- student relationship but also helps a teacher maintain positivity in the classroom.



Ms. Neha Ghosh  
Middle School CBSE English Educator



Ms. Hashmath Fahira  
Middle School CAIE Science Educator

Highly enthusiastic and forward-thinking, Ms. Hashmath Fahira is a degree holder in Bio-medical Engineering and also in Education. She has explored Cambridge stream and exhibits proven ability for discovering students' varying learning styles and ensures each student's unique academic needs are met, fostering parental care in all spheres. She is well-rounded with excellent interpersonal, organizational and problem-solving skills and positively reinforces learning as a lifelong process. She strongly believes in constructive teaching practices considering the vitality of self-reflection. Her passion towards Education led her to invest unwavering commitment and rigorous performance to sensitize different learning perspectives.



## A Quiz on India's Heritage - By the Heritage Club



1. Identify this great personality who was known as the nightingale of India.

- a) Rani Lakshmi bai
- b) Begum Hazrat Mahal
- c) Chennamma Rani
- d) Sarojini Naidu



2. Who was the architect of Taj Mahal?

- a) Ustad Ahmad Lahori
- b) Lal Chand Ustad.
- c) Fariborz Sahba
- d) Mir Musa Khan Mahaldar

3. He was known as the designer of the Indian National flag.

- a. Vinobhabhave
- b. Pingali Venkayya
- c. Lala Lajpat Rai
- d. Surayya Tayabji



4. How many Bio reserves are there in India?

- a. 11
- b. 15
- c. 18
- d. 21

5. Name this art form of Kerala.

- a. Kathakali
- b. Mohiniyattam
- c. Chakkyarkoothu
- d. Koodiyattam



Answers:  
1. Sarojini Naidu  
2. Ustad Ahmad Lahori  
3. Pingali Venkayya  
4. 18  
5. Koodiyattam