



# Cherries

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## Authors in the making

### A Grade 1 Activity

The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you know, the more places you will go- Dr. Seuss. This holds true at every phase of our life and that's why books are the windows to the world. To make virtual learning more fun we decided to wear our creative gloves and make our books. These mini sound books have words with "ay" sounds. Children were excited to decode words and read the story of Kay-Kay the horse. They added life to the book by giving colours to the pictures. Their magical touch and creativity made these books cute and special.



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# Family Fun time – The most awaited celebration of Kindergarten family!

From 16th September to 18th September 2020, the Kindergarten wing had virtually celebrated the three-day-long Family Fun Time! The events were graced by the presence of our respected chairperson Mr. Yasir Nainar, our Director and Principal Ms. Asma Nainar, and the Coordinators of BHIS –K Family. On 16th September 2020, Nursery students and their families joined the family fun time with high energy. The event started with a sizzling Ramp walk of tiny tots with their parents, followed by the colourful part of the event art activity- making family handprint bouquets and a memory game to give exercise to the participants' brain. It was an unforgettable day with lots of memorable moments that took everyone back to their childhood days! The 17th of September 2020 was a fabulous day loaded with fun and joy, for all the Junior Kindergarten students and their families. We got a chance to bring all the family members into one screen and presented them with a lovely show packed with music, dance, story, and heartwarming messages from their loved ones. It was mesmerizing to watch all the members of the family working together to create a beautiful family tree. The event was graced by the presence of Chief guest Ms. Asha Pananghat. We all made invaluable memories! Senior Kindergarten students celebrated the family fun time on 18th September 2020. As the name suggests, the event was intended to allow the loved ones to take a respite from their daily lives and spend quality time together. The Celebration started with the assembly, in which our students expressed their thoughts about their family, followed by a Music and Movement session, and it was wonderful to watch our Students and parents dancing together. Then a drawing activity was conducted for all the participants to highlight their creativity! The event was graced by the presence of our chief guest Ms. Ruth Sarganam. It was a splendid day, filled with fun and excitement for the students, and would be a memorable day in their life.

**BILLABONG HIGH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL KELAMBAKKAM**

Welcome to the Chief - Guest  
**Ms. Asha Pananghat**  
Pre-Primary Coordinator at Gateway International School

Welcome to the Chief - Guest  
**Ms. Ruth Sarganam**  
Educator at KC High International School

Welcome to BHIS-K  
Director and Principal  
**Ms. Asma Nainar**

Welcome to BHIS-K  
Chairperson  
**Mr. Yasir Nainar**

**Family Fun Time**

Join our Family fun time

Nursery: 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020  
Junior KG: 17<sup>th</sup> September 2020  
Senior KG: 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020  
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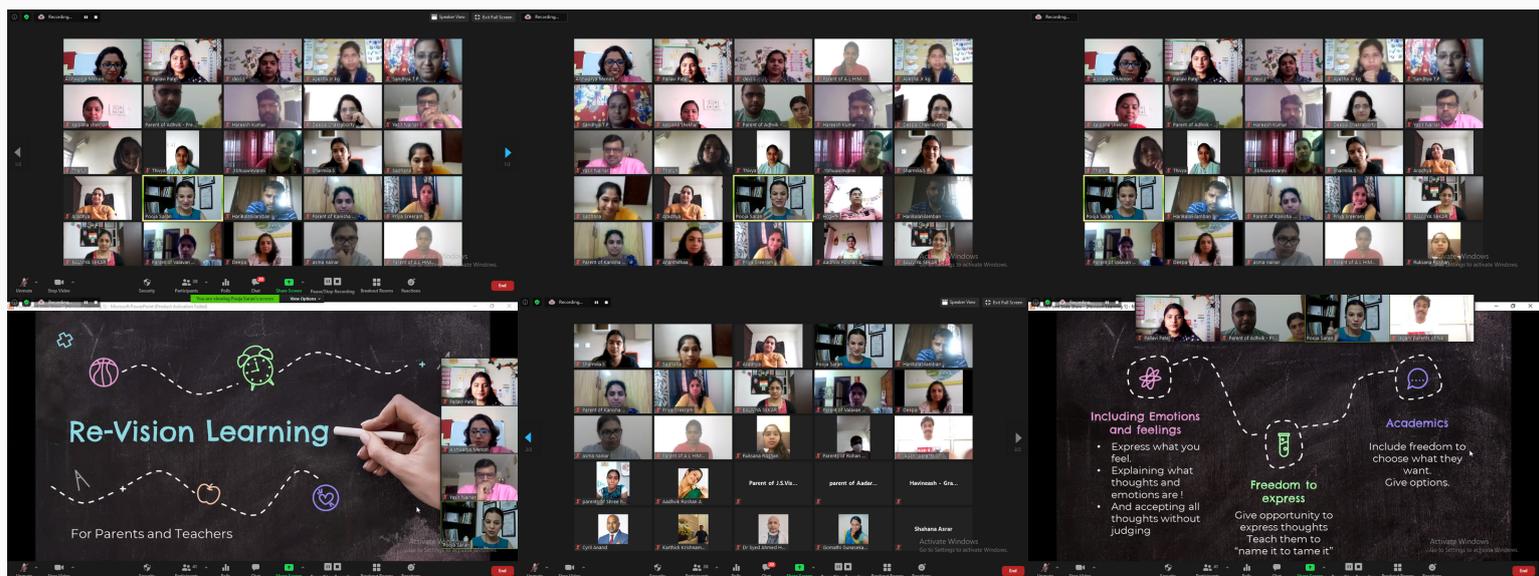


# Re-Vision Learning- a Master class for parents and educators - Ms.Aishwarya (Grade 1 Educator)

The world is on a bumpy journey to a new destination and a new normal. We have been forced to traverse outside of our comfort zone, what was once the unknown and frightening has become the new normal. This pandemic situation has literally changed everything around us. As a result, education has changed dramatically and this sudden shift away from the schools and classrooms has left us with a lot of questions. How do we parent in this new normal? How do we support this online method of teaching? To answer all these questions and give us clarity on

how to keep up a balance in this new normal, a parenting workshop was organised by the school. The virtual workshop was conducted on the 12th of September 2020. Ms. Pooja Saran an NLP Practitioner and a Behavioural Investigator facilitated the session. We were able to understand the different stages of child development and that was a good frame of reference for us to rethink our strategies. Her real-time examples gave us new perspectives about enabling our children. The session was very informative for parents as well as educators. The session was presided by Mr. Cyril Anand,

Founder & Chairman, Vivarthana Ventures India Pvt Ltd. Presence of our chairperson Mr. Yasir Nainar and our principal, Ms. Asma Nainar added grandeur to the session. The workshop was concluded with an open forum, where parents clarified their queries and doubts with Ms. Pooja. Ms. Pooja very patiently explained and clarified all our doubts. A wonderful session was thus concluded, and we left the virtual arena with rejuvenated minds.





# Shaping peace together @ BHIS-K

Ms.Savitha Kodakatt ( Primary School Educator)

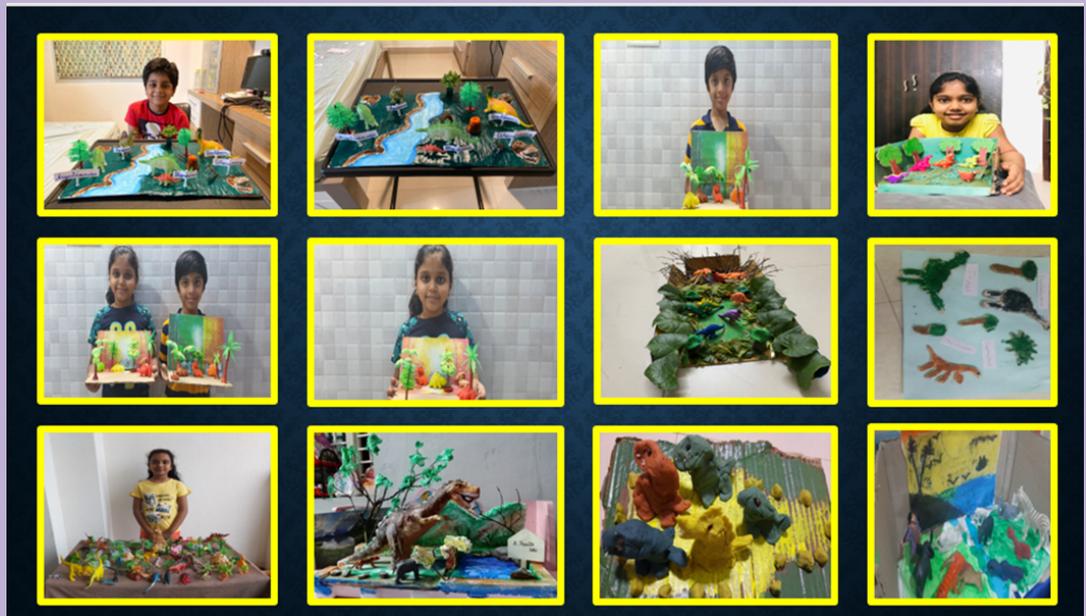
Nations across the globe would be celebrating International peace day on 21st September 2020, during this pandemic with the message of hope and compassion. To commemorate the day and create awareness among the current generation, the Heritage club & SOF team at BHIS-K conducted an online quiz for grades 6 to 9. The online quiz was conducted using Kahoot in the virtual classroom on 18th September. The topics for the same were given prior to the event and students did research by browsing various articles and materials thereby gathering information on International Peace. The online quiz was not conducted as a competition but it was intended to foster the idea of 'PEACE' among the students. The students participated enthusiastically and this activity in turn encouraged them to know more about the various organisations functioning in the global arena for reinstating peace across the nations.



# Survival – Evolution of Dinosaurs

Hanshikaa – Grade 4 Student

My learnings from EVS session on survival made me understand the terms like survival, Evolution, Adaptations, etc., When the session discussion happened on 'Dawn and demise' of dinosaurs we all were excited to the pictures shared by Ma'am. The first reptile on planet earth which resembles like fish and like crocodile made an Aawwhh moment in the class. We all understood that the first life evolved in the ocean and from there the land evolution happened. Dinosaurs evolved and ruled over the planet for a longer period and came to an end based on various reasons. We all did a project on making dinosaurs using play Doh /Flour and I would like to share my experience while making the project. I kneaded the flour and prepared dough and painted it with different colours and then shaped them into different varieties of dinosaurs, I used pepper for eyes and rice for their teeth's. It was all fun doing it and displayed it on cardboard with greeneries to give an effect of the jungle. Thanks to my teacher for instilling an interest in me.



# All about cells

## A Grade 6 Biology Activity

Cells are the building blocks that create life. Ever wondered what makes up your skin, organs, or muscles? Our 6th graders fastened their seatbelts and witnessed a world that was all around them, and yet so small that they had never seen. They dived deep into the oceans of cytoplasm to behold the parts of the cells up close in the virtual platform. And what they experienced fascinated them to such an extent that they went on to make models of the cells and shared it with their friends. Rakshitha of Grade 6 showed how cells could be recreated using clay and a ton of creativity.



## Prevention is better than cure!

### Samyak Mohapatra, Grade 5 Student

We, the fifth-grade students learning about communicable diseases. We were asked to prepare a chart/write slogan on prevention. As the topic so happened to relate to the current pandemic situation, we were aware of how to prevent over self from the communicable disease. To add on it I also discussed with my parents and took a topic about prevention on Covid-19. My friends too gave an insight into prevention on various communicable diseases. We also understood that Learning doesn't stop here, it adds more value when we apply it in our day to day life.



## A Quiz on India's Heritage

### - By the Heritage Club

- Which state in India has highest number of World Heritage sites?
  - Tamil Nadu
  - Maharashtra
  - Kerala
  - Karnataka
- Most of these Indian monuments were primarily built under the regime of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Rajputana
  - Dravidian
  - Mughal emperors
  - All the above
- Which one of the following manuscript is included in the UNESCO's Memory of World Register?
  - Rig Veda
  - Ramayana
  - Mahabharata
  - None of the above
- Sarojini Naidu was originally called the Nightingale of India by 
  - lal bahadur shastri
  - Jawaharlal Nehru
  - Mahatma Gandhi
  - Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- Rabindranath Tagore wrote the National Anthem for which other country?
  - Pakistan
  - Nepal
  - Bangladesh
  - Myanmar

- ANSWERS:  
1. b. Maharashtra  
2. d. All the above  
3. a. Rig Veda  
4. c. Mahatma Gandhi  
5. c. Bangladesh