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#1

Sensitivity

Leora Rose (Grade XI Student)

According to me, Sensitivity is a profound aspect of human nature. Sensitivity allows us to connect and relate on a deeper level. I strongly believe it has the power and ability to pick up on unspoken words, uncovering the hidden layers of meaning beneath the surface.

Overall, sensitivity enables us to appreciate the beauty in art, music and nature. It grants us the power to sense the needs and vulnerabilities around us who seek compassion, kindness and love.

But at the same time, sensitivity can also bring us challenges. It can lead to overwhelming emotions.

In the end, when sensitivity is embraced and nurtured, it can become our source of strength, and an unwavering connection to the emotional dupes of our existence.



#2

THE POWER OF LANGUAGE SKILLS

Ms. Menaka (Middle School English Educator)



As educators, teachers play a major role in shaping young minds and preparing children for a successful future. One of the most crucial aspects of a child's development is their language skills. Effective communication and language proficiency form the foundation for academic success and social interactions. As teachers we can use some helpful strategies to help children improve their language skills and become confident, articulate communicators.



Create a Language-Rich Environment:

The first step in fostering language development is to create a language-rich classroom environment. Surround children with various reading materials, from storybooks to newspapers and magazines. Encourage students to explore the world of literature and engage in reading for pleasure. Organize book clubs, reading circles, and storytelling sessions to instill a love for language and creativity.

Encourage Listening:

Listening is a fundamental aspect of language development. Teachers can facilitate active listening skills by engaging students in various listening activities. Utilize audio recordings, podcasts, and educational videos. Encourage students to listen attentively and follow up with discussions, comprehension questions, and reflective exercises to reinforce what they have heard.

Emphasize the Power of Communication:

Show students the significance of effective communication in their daily lives. Engage in frequent conversations with students, encourage peer discussions, and emphasize the importance of clear and concise expression. Develop group activities and projects that require collaboration and communication, allowing students to practice their language skills in a supportive environment.

Use Language Games and Activities:

Learning should be enjoyable and interactive. Incorporate language games and activities into the curriculum to make language learning fun. Games like word puzzles, vocabulary quizzes, and storytelling competitions can stimulate students' linguistic abilities while creating a positive and engaging learning atmosphere.



#3

HOW DO I LOOK?

Ms. Saradha Gopi, Ms. Suhashini (Grade 1 Science Educators)

The young minds of Grade 1 were introduced to the lifecycle of a penguin during the science session. Penguin is a flightless bird, which lives in the cold region. Penguins are an expert diver.

Why are penguin so Cute?

Penguins' bodies are shaped to easily glide through water, with a long body and short legs. So, when they walk, the result is a clumsy-looking waddle. Penguins also get around on land by hopping and tobogganing, where they glide on their bellies and use their feet and wings to gain speed. To make the learners capture the knowledge in a better way, we made them do their own colorful penguins out of paper and cotton roll, with colors. We never knew Penguins looks cute with different shades, that makes a difference, and it was interesting!





Nabashvati S
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Date: 10th July

To,
Ms. Asma Nainar
Billabong High International School
Thaiyur.



Subject: Acceptance of position of Student Editor

Dear Madam,

Greetings. I write to show my gratitude for trusting in me and offering me the opportunity to be the student editor of Billabong High International School. I am deeply honoured to have been given this post, as I have a profound passion for writing and editing, and I believe this role will allow me to nurture the talents of our fellow students.

As the Student Editor, I am eager and ready to fulfill the responsibilities that come with this position. I will strive to work hard and make a positive impact on our school's literary community. I am keen on contributing to the school's literary community and collaborating with the teachers and students. Most importantly, I want to learn and sharpen my skills through the guidance of my teachers. Constructive criticism is something that has always helped me grow, since it has pointed out my flaws. This helps me correct them. I am confident that my previous experiences as a writer will help me in all effective ways and bring forth many journeys of learning for a lot of people including myself.

I once again, thank you for honouring me and entrusting me with the role of Student Editor. I look forward to working with my mentors and peers. Please tell me if there is anything I should keep in mind or any step I have not been aware of.

I promise to represent the school's values and motto with all my strength. I wish to leave a positive mark that the school will be proud of. I am excited to begin my journey as the Student Editor at Billabong High International School.

Thanking you
Yours sincerely
Nabashvati S

**"Transformation that delivers Education
and just Literacy"**

#5

BASKET BALL COURT INAUGURATION

Ms. Sharada Gopi (English Educator)



Basketball is Fun to play, it has a fast and exciting pace of play. We bring the real life experience for the young minds of playing basketball in our school. A proud moment to cheer and cherish, presided by Mr. Cyril Anand , Chairperson-Vivartana Ventures Private Limited , our Chairperson Mr.Yasir Nainar and our dear Director and Principal, Ms. Asma Nainar. It is a sport that has captured the hearts of many people all over the world. It was a spectacular game to watch, by our students and our coach Mr. James, in the basketball court





#6

A NEW PHASE IN TEACHING

Ms. Shahana (Kindergarten Educator)



A good teacher always creates an impact in everyone's life without differentiation. Kindergarten teachers (Ms. Pallavi, Ms. Devi & Ms. Shahana) took the next step in bringing additional value in their classes by opting for One Year **"Post Graduate Diploma Course in Special Education, Counselling and Teaching"**. This provides greater insight on different strategies and techniques to effectively conduct inclusive learning in the classroom. By means of attending lots of webinars and discussing different case studies across globe provided real time techniques and skills required to handle all situations in the class room. With the practical implementation of few techniques such as counselling & SEN (Special Education Needs) in the Kindergarten class rooms already, helps children with special needs by understanding their needs, creating a supporting environment, and seeking professional or medical support as and when required. Overall, a significant and much required skills for any teachers in this era given the entire school lot of confidence and flexibility to handle any situations. Thanks to the overwhelming support and motivation from the school management for promoting teachers to do such courses and the endless appreciations to see the changes in the class rooms. This gives us confidence to implement whatever learned during the one year in our daily classrooms successfully.





From the Editor

BGT-A BIG HIT!

Ms. Aparna (Primary English Educator)

Billabong's Got Talent (BGT) was indeed an event of great joy and festivity for students as well as teachers. The school was lit with enthusiasm and smiling faces as children participated in different competitions to showcase their talents and interests.

It was a learning process for the students as they had to prepare and deliver while they comprehended the skill set of their peers and came to terms with the nature of competition, they were in.

This cultural fest brought the students even closer to each other as they encouraged and cheered each other's strengths!

Stay tuned for a special edition spotlighting all of the young performers and their spectacular performances.

