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# #1

## NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Ms. Nithya (Primary Science Educator)



### Fun with materials:

The learners of **Grade 1** celebrated the National Science Day by playing with materials. It was a game like a boat race.

The students were lined up in 4 rows. The one in the line will pass the materials based on its properties, which will be asked by the educator, the students had to pick that material and pass it on to the line. Whichever line passes first to the finish line was declared the winner. Likewise, there were 5 materials that had to be passed on. It was a fun filled activity which helped them to summarise their knowledge about the material and its properties.

### Playing with planets:

The Grade 2 learners enjoyed the National Science Day by playing a quiz on planets as a game. Whoever gave the correct answer had to jump to the planet that was marked on the ground. Likewise, 8 planets and the moon were marked on the ground. It was interesting to see kids running to the right planet. The game was interesting and students were excited as there was a healthy competition amongst all. They really loved the game as they could show their expertise in their knowledge about planets!

### Tug of war:

The Grade 3 learners celebrated the National Science Day by playing 'Tug of war'. It was a fun game based on tension force, the perfect example for pull and push. Our students enjoyed this game thoroughly and explained the science behind the game. Students were playing in different teams and showcased their strength and teamwork in it.



## Treasure Hunt:

The Grade 4 learners enjoyed the National Science Day by playing Treasure hunt. They were grouped into 4 different teams. Each team was given a puzzle chit to solve. After solving the puzzle as a team, they had to reach to that particular area and find the answer for the next clue. Learners started their journey of finding treasure from Library to various places inside school campus. All their clues were based on science. Decoding the puzzle and reaching to the next clue was challenging at every step. The students enjoyed this fun game and reached their final destination to find the treasure.

















#2

## MINI LIBRARY

Ms. Nithya ( Grade 4A Educator)



"Grade 4A students came up with a wonderful idea of opening a Mini Library in their class room itself. They made colourful and innovatively designed booklets with comics and short stories. It was narrated and illustrated wonderfully by the students. On February 7, Friday the library was inaugurated by our co-ordinator Ms. Anam Agha Yasin. Students are maintaining separate log for entry of books. This helps them being creative and also productively utilize their free time.



**DID YOU KNOW?**



The world's oldest known library is believed to be The Library of Ashurbanipal.

INTERESTING FACT



# #3

## STUDENT CORNER

Ms. Aparna (Cherries Content Editor)



Comic Con Chennai, that celebrates the diverse world of comics, movies, gaming, and everything geeky, is a place where dreams come to life and imaginations run wild. And for a 8-year-old attendee, it was a day filled with excitement, wonder, and endless possibilities. Here is a personal account of the day by one of our BHIS-K students who attended the event.

### A DAY OF MARVELS

Kabir Arun (Grade 2A student)

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# SLEEPY FLOWERS

Saloni Prasad (Grade 4A student)

From nature to human, they're important. They can feed insects, birds, animals and us. Further, they provide natural medicines and many more for humans and animals. Most importantly without flowers, the greenery would look simply green, the world won't be this much pretty and the earth would be a duller place!



# #4

## DREAM CATCHERS

Ms. Aparna & Ms. Anam (Grade 3 English Educators)



The students of grade 3 engaged themselves in a delightful and an immersive activity of making dreamcatchers. Inspired by their BFG novel, the students weaved intricate patterns and found themselves drawn into a world of creativity and imagination. As the dream catchers began to take shape, they marvelled at their handiwork, admiring at the delicate dangling piece of art.









# #5

## SHAPE FUN DAY

Ms. Sivaranjani (Nursery Educator)



We all know our shapes,  
So here's what we'll do,  
We'll draw our shapes and sing them too,  
We all know our shapes!

Our Nursery Special day "**Shape fun day**" , children came with cutout and real objects of different shapes, kids enjoyed making fruit sticks using different shape cutter and discussed about their favourite shapes.







# #6

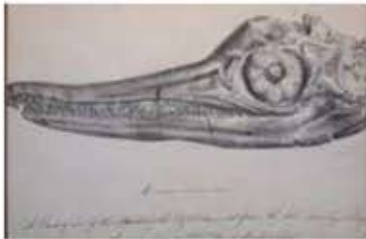
## FOSSIL HUNT DAY & DINO PRETEND PLAY

Ms. Shahana ( Junior KG Educator)



**Mary Anning** was a pioneering palaeontologist and fossil collector. Mary Anning was born in 1799 in Lyme Regis, in the southwest English county of Dorset.

🔍 **World's first fossil?** ✕



### DID YOU KNOW?



**First ichthyosaur** was first discovered fossil. It was a strange-looking fossilised skull

INTERESTING FACT

Paleontologists can learn a lot about ancient living things by studying fossils. They can find out where an organism lived and what it looked like. They can identify what an organism ate and which animals killed it for food. They can also see how ancient animals and plants are related to animals that live today. Our tiny paleontologists enjoyed a special day named "Fossil hunt" where they pretended to be paleontologists and dug through the soil for the bones and remains of the giant reptiles who ruled the world millions of years ago. They also built a dinosaur skeleton model by combining those bones. They enjoyed pretending to be dinosaurs. They distinguished between plant- and meat-eating dinosaurs. A few kids acted like plant-eating dinosaurs, while others were meat-eating dinosaurs. Plant-eating dinosaurs were attacked by predators, forcing them to run away. They also had dinosaur movie watch. Overall, it was a fantastic day for them going back in time and exploring the gigantic reptiles of the prehistoric period.



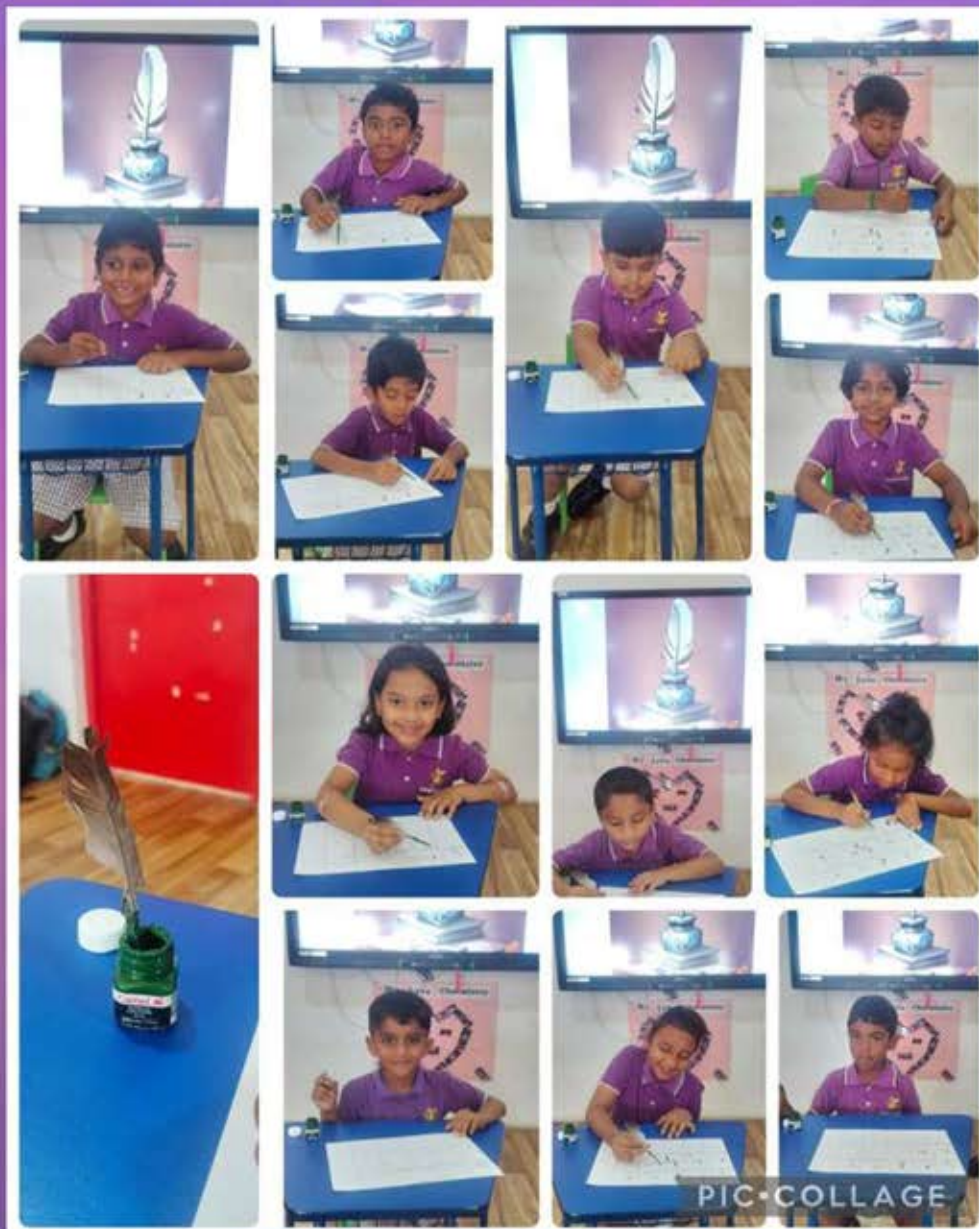
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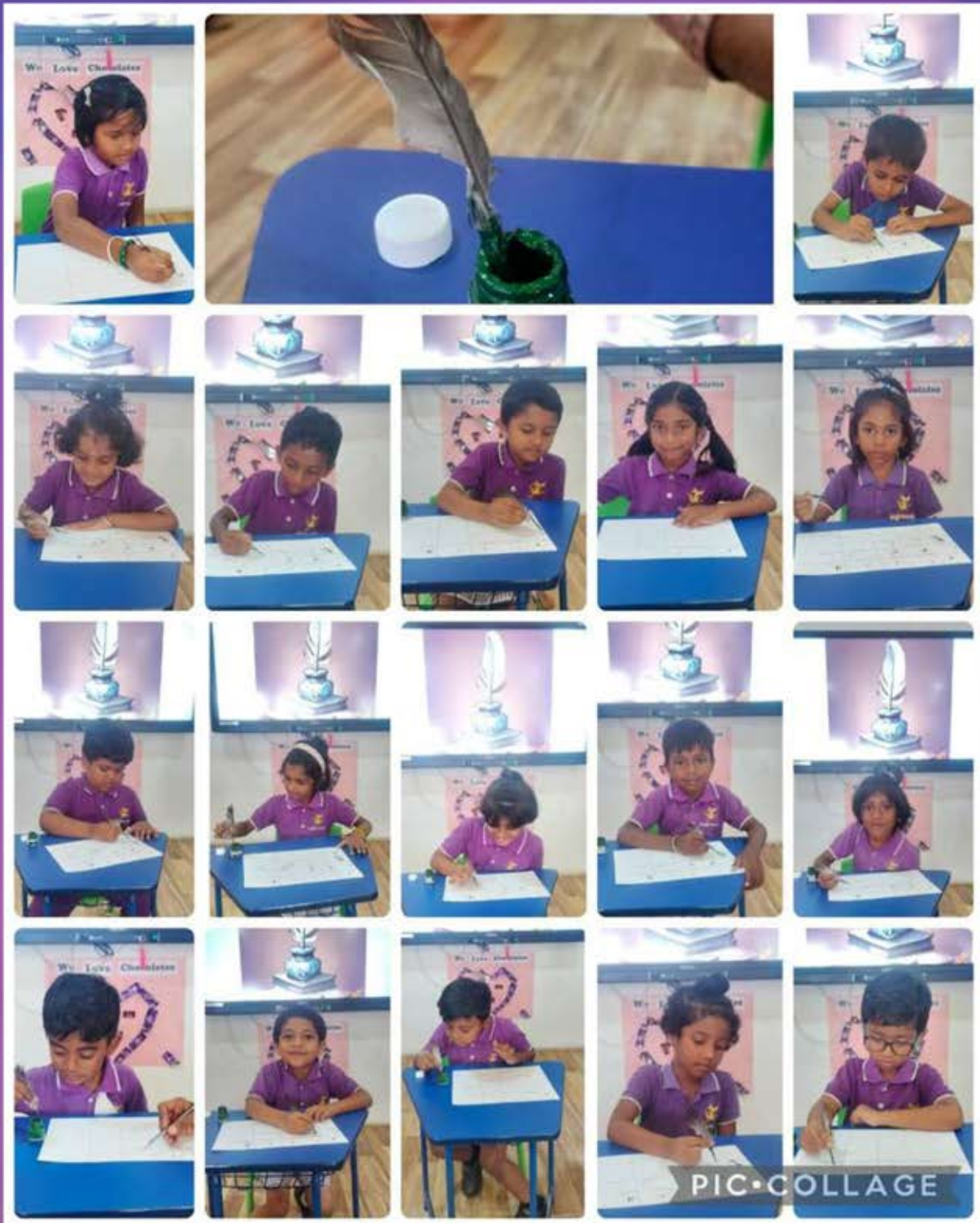
# Exploring the Evolution of Writing Tools From Quill Pens to Modern Innovations

Sarala Bakthavachalam (Senior KG Educator)



In today's digital age, where typing on keyboards and touchscreen devices is the norm, it's easy to forget the rich history behind the tools we use to communicate. However, a recent classroom activity has brought the fascinating world of writing instruments to life for a group of curious young learners. During a lesson on historical writing methods, students were introduced to the quill pen, a traditional writing tool made from the feather of a bird. As they delicately dipped the quills into ink and carefully crafted their letters on papers, the students were transported back in time to an era when handwritten means of communication. The experience of using quill pens sparked their imagination and curiosity about the evolution of writing tools.





**DID YOU KNOW?**



The earliest known form of 'pen' is the **reed pen** from Ancient Egypt

INTERESTING FACT

# #8

## OCTOPUS SUBTRACTION ACTIVITY

Ms. Shahana ( Junior KG Educator)



In maths, subtraction refers to an operation that is used to find the difference between numbers. When you take away a few objects from a group of objects, the group becomes smaller. Therefore, we subtracted a few objects from a group of objects. When we subtract something, we denote it with the help of the minus sign "-". Our Junior Kindergarteners understood it by the practical application of subtraction. They did an octopus subtraction activity where few learners were disguised as octopuses and a few learners took turns subtracting by removing a few octopuses from the row to arrive at the subtraction result.



### DID YOU KNOW?



Octopuses can regrow their arm if they lose one.

INTERESTING FACT



# #9

## WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION AT SCHOOL

Ms. Aparna (Cherries Content Editor)



At BHIS-K, Women's Day is not just a date on the calendar; it's an opportunity to celebrate the diverse women of the school campus. Each year, the school organizes special events and activities for the staff to commemorate this significant day.

This year was even more special as the teachers were given an opportunity to participate and nurture their public speaking skills. The 'Win With Words' public speaking competition held on 8th March in the school campus brought out different perspectives about 'Feminism' and served as an eye opener when the teachers shed light on topics like 'Power of Context'.

After a brief entertainment session by the teachers of BHIS-K, the winners were announced by the respected dignitaries.

In an earlier event on 7th March, the management also gave an opportunity for the Moms of BHIS-K and MIS-K to flaunt their Public Speaking skills and share their insights about Women and celebrated Womens Day.

In essence, Women's Day at our school was not merely a celebration; it was a reaffirmation of our shared values and a reminder of the ongoing journey towards a more just and inclusive world.

**HAPPY WOMEN'S DAY TO ALL OUR PARENTS.**



















## Grade-3 Recreation of “The Scream” Painting

Students explored about the artist Edward Munch and recreated his famous Scream Painting. They demonstrated this art using vibrant colours. This Scream painting represents anxiety — a common human condition.





# Grade-4 Recreation of Wayne Thiebaud art

Students recreated the Gumball machine art of Wayne Thiebaud. Students demonstrated contrast colouring by creating this artwork.

