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A true example of democracy at FIA - A Workshop on Journalism

It is rightly said, “Knowledge, like happiness, multiplies when shared.” A group of FIA students had attended a workshop on Journalism organized by Scribdito Campus. The saga did not end there. They, on coming back, shared this knowledge by conducting a similar workshop in the school for their peers in the benign presence of the TDE-Makarand Mulay & Mrs. Pradnya Dani. The students were introduced to the important aspects of writing a report. It began with the discussion of duties of a journalist followed by stressing the difference between NEWS and a FEATURE. The highlights of the workshop were - tips to write a feature & writing an interview. It was truly an interactive session as the students were divided into groups and involved in an activity to conduct mock interviews. This was followed by the tips and rules for report writing. Thus FIA projected a true example of Democracy where a workshop was conducted by the students, for the students and of the students.

THE CHERISHING SCHOOL DAYS

Tanya Goyal, IGCSE 2015

The first day of the school, I was crying and was tossed; Sitting on the bench I was looking out, feeling lost; Then a woman walked in and said she was a teacher; She taught us every day, it was like a daily feature; At the start I wanted to go home and be with mom, But I had to sit and learn and stick to the norm. I would eat from my lunch box and share with friends, We grew up to become buddies who had fun without ends. Life is beautiful and it would not have been without school, If you want to progress ahead, education is the tool!!

The Gist of the French expressions:
The Annual Day was celebrated on 31st January 2014. After many practice sessions, we staged our performances in the form of Dance and Drama and we had an enriching experience preparing and presenting the same. Our programme was highly appreciated by all.

Ketan Gawand’s career personal goal setting workshop set a high standard for FIA students

This scintillating workshop made students realize the need for believing in themselves. He clearly showed, through activities and life examples, that “People believe what they see and they also see what they believe!” and so the onus lies on us to make them believe us.

La Journée Annuelle

Taniś Mittal – IGCSE 2014

La journée annuelle était le 31 janvier 2014. Il a commencé à 5 heures du soir jusqu’à 8 h 30. Les organisateurs pour le spectacle étaient les étudiants de Bac (A level). Les spectateurs étaient les parents, les amis et les Fondateurs M et Mme Luth. Le thème de ce spectacle était "La Nature".

On a beautiful evening of Friday, January 31, 2014, the glorious 8th Annual Day captivated the Chief Guest Padma Shri Kumar Ketkar, other dignitaries and the proud parents. To respect and nurture ‘Nature’, the students innovatively portrayed the ways in which ‘Nature’ culminates into beauty, defines character through its enormous presence, discipline through its timely precision and thus spreads it wings to each living soul.

The proud moment for the school was to receive the Chief Guest Padma Shri Kumar Ketkar, a renowned journalist and the Chief Editor of Dainik Divya Marathi—Dainik Bhaskar Group. Mr. Kumar Ketkar spoke straight from his heart while addressing the jam-packed audience. He appreciated that today when this world is larger, greater and stunningly huge there exists such a school which creates social awareness in its students. He cautioned parents and the students that education is not to be taken for creating a career in life but to be pursued as an important asset which will let our children develop and grow much higher in their lives. The 8th Annual Day was also graced by the special guests of the evening Dr. & Mrs. Sanjay Kapote, Mr & Mrs. Sanjay Ruikar, Mr. & Mrs. Farukh Wadia, Mr. Rajru Iyer and Dr. D.P.N. Prasad.

The Chairman Mr. Ratan Luth, Vice Chairperson Mrs. Sharvari Luth and the entire management of the Fravashi International Academy congratulated the students and tutors for the stirring performances.
Ms. Gitanjali Wagaskar, a student of Grade VI, was awarded a Certificate of Merit for securing 8th position in the State Level Open Sea Swimming Competition, held at Malvan on Sunday, December 22, 2013.

The Whiz Kids

Mr. Eshan Gupta, Mr. Aarav Bhavnani and Ms. Jia Bhavnani from Grade IV secured the champion’s place, first place and second place respectively in Aloha Abacus Maharashtra State Competition for level seven and level five which was held on Sunday, January 12, 2014 in Nashik.

Students Excel In CIE’s Checkpoint Secondary Examination

The Cambridge Checkpoint Results were declared on Friday, January 10, 2014. This batch of Checkpoint students have excelled once again by surpassing the scores of previous sessions in Checkpoint examination. Ms. Udita Bajaj has bagged the top position by securing 6 on 6 in all 3 subjects i.e. English, Maths and Science. 9 students have secured 6/6 in two subjects and 34 students scored 6/6 in 1 subject.

Multicoloured Firmament

The sky was filled with bright coloured kites flown by the girls and boys of all grades on Monday, January 13, 2014 to mark the arrival of Spring season. The Pre-Primary section joyfully participated in the ‘Kite Making Activity’ with their tutors. An ambience of immense delight was felt by the students on the day of the activity watching the sky alter colours, like a rainbow, with a surfeit of colourful kites in the dazzling sun. The aim of this activity was to make children dream high and soar to immense heights just like the majestic kites in the sky.

YLE Results Declaration

Young Learners English (YLE) results were declared on Friday, January 10, 2014. Majority of the students have done FIA proud by securing as many as 15 shields in each of the 3 groups i.e. Starters, Movers and Flyers.

Fravashi Cricket League

The second Fravashi Cricket League resounded success with sponsorships from parents and well wishers. Black Halks bagged the winning trophy with Baracudas following closely.
Kite Flying For The Boarders

The clear skies above FIA were seen dotted with colourful kites that our boarders enjoyed flying as part of the celebration of the Kite Flying Day on Tuesday, January 14, 2014. The event was enjoyed by the boarding girls and boys of various ages.

Visit Water Treatment Plant

To enlighten the students on the importance of water, a visit to the water treatment plant of Nashik Municipal Corporation in Satpur was organized for the Grade VII students on Monday, January 13, 2014. Mr. Sanjay Wagh and Mr. Hemant Gaikwad, the two Engineers of NMC water treatment plant, explained and demonstrated to these students the seven different processes that water undergoes before it reaches the people of Nashik city.

`Nurturing GenNext` A Workshop

On Thursday, January 16, 2014 ‘Nurturing GenNext’ an exclusive & interactive workshop for the parents of Nursery and Lower Prep students was conducted by the Director of Academics Mrs. Vijay Chadha. She stressed upon the need and the methods to have an effective communication between children and their parents to bridge the Generation Gap. During this session the parents were carried through their child’s enthralling journey and experiences at Fravashi International Academy. The significant message put across by Mrs. Vijay Chadha through this workshop to the audience was to nurture GenNext with values and patience.

Result -2014

IGCSE Nov 2013 batch Subject Toppers

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Fourth IGCSE and A Level results raised the bar high with 100% results!

Fravashi International Academy grows in strength year after year. The faculty and the students are proud about the increase in the success rate this year as they become conversant with the CIE curriculum. With an efficient faculty of IGCSE and A Level tutors the school has been able to deliver the curriculum successfully and also boasts of complying with the CIE norms in full. We are sure to fly high in the skies of Academics and help students emerge stronger and find placements in colleges, both in India and abroad and reach their dream destination.
Rendezvous with Dani ma’am

Vedant Agiwal and Twisha Bhutani

Q. How long have you been associated with Fravashi Family?
- I have been associated since 24th Feb, 1991. In 1990 Mulay sir was my computer teacher when I had joined NIT. After my course, he told me, “We have an association with Fravashi and I have given your name.” That’s how I got into the Fravashi Family.

Q. If not a teacher, what would have been your profession?
- At first I never thought of being a teacher! I wanted to be in the corporate sector. Back in 1983 after completing my MBA, I was working as a systems manager for three years in Mumbai. Then, my family and I shifted to Nasik. By then I had two daughters to take care of and managing corporate life would not have permitted me to get enough time with them. So, here I am teaching all Business Studies and enjoying it very much.

Q. What makes a good teacher, according to you?
- Patience, Knowledge, Understanding. A teacher should teach the class with different methods. They should not be monotonous. They should make the students to ‘START THINKING’

Q. What kind of a student were you at your time?
- I wasn’t a geek nor was I a back bencher. I paid full attention in my classes. In fact, I liked playing sports too. I have played basketball and softball for my college. I used to swim and now I want to learn to play tennis from my husband.

Q. Who is your Mentor?
- My husband! He is my friend, tutor, critic and mentor.

Q. What message would you convey to the FIA students?
- Get geared to be the top achievers. Make use of all opportunities and facilities. You have a powerful syllabus!

Q. Are you passionate about something?
- I am passionate about racing! I have taken part in 5 races and have come 1st in three of them and achieved top ranks in the other two. Rapid fire Round

1. Your Favourite colour?
   - Yellow

2. Favourite attire?
   - Jeans + shoes

3. Favourite holiday spot?
   - Goa

4. Favourite movie?
   - Sound of Music

5. Favourite personality?

-Mother Teresa

6. Favourite cuisine?
   - Goan fish curry with rice

7. Describe Mulay sir in a few words.
   - Intelligent & hardworking

8. What is your favourite pastime?
   - I talk to my daughters, read, surf on the internet, stitch and cook!

“Something we do not know about ma’am – Ma’am believes in conceptual understanding. NB: A few days ago, Mulay sir asked ma’am something that she had learnt in 1990s and she still remembers! KUDOS. She is passionate about knitting, stitching, gardening, farming and family values.

Peek-a boo

Shreyas Patil: She is a very jovial and an ever smiling personality with an immense passion for teaching and yet very humble. Hemant Sir: She is a perfectionist. She is very strict and yet very co-operative. She shows keen interest in learning new things. Mulay Sir: A demanding parent; a task master-tutor; a system oriented professional

ACCOLADES DUE FOR THE ZEALOT OF THE SCHOOL

We all are aware of this famous saying “Some are born great and some achieve greatness”, but we seldom see greatness evolve and present itself. We have amongst us one such charismatic person who sees beyond and envisages an environment that would yield results in the future. He thinks of development as a whole and takes initiatives to reach the same. He believes in doing just than dreaming. It is amazing to note how a person with a varied background such as he (Engineering, IT software and Education) can make a turn around and put all the skills learnt in the yester years to ameliorate and make changes in the field of education. This is possible only with a mind and soul that is very passionate in making the change.

I am here referring to our Technical Director of Education – TDE Mr. Mulay, who is nicknamed lovingly by the students as BIG DADDY, HITLER, ENCOUNTER SPECIALIST and many more. After the initial impression of a stern and a strict personality, all who have met him and interacted with him, find him to be very approachable and students are no exception to that. No wonder they always look up to him for guidance, which he gives immensely with pleasure.

Mr. Mulay, The Technical Director – Education of Fravashi International Academy, Nashik, is a proud recipient of the “Indira Gandhi Excellence Award” announced by The International Business Council (I.B.C.), New Delhi, is an engineer turned academician. I.B.C., a non governmental society of repute, has been working for the past many years in honoring selected people with this Award, based on their outstanding contribution to the society and the nation. It is amply justified then that he is conferred the Indira Gandhi Excellence Award in the field of Education. We wish him Congratulations and hope to see him reach greater heights and enrich many lives along the way! KUDOS SIR! We are PROUD of YOU!!

Zara Rebello-A level 2015

On behalf of the Teaching Faculty – Ms. Usha Murali

We, the Team of Fravashi International Academy, are pleased to have someone as intellectual as our dear Mulay sir, who has received the Indira Gandhi Excellence Award for his contribution towards the field of education as our mentor. We are very pride of him and thankful to him for being so devoted to our schooling and leading us on the right path for which he has now received recognition. Congratulations Sir! May you be just as successful in all of your endeavours. We all hold you in high regards. The sheer gratitude that I feel towards you led me to write this.
Can a loss be ever more valuable than a victory?

Sameyak Sabadra A Level 14

‘Failure is the first step to success!’ This famous quote summarizes the key to victory. Victory definitely isn’t a destination but a journey with obstacles and milestones. Loss itself paves path for victory.

To elaborate further, the life of Thomas Alva Edison best portrays the fact that failure is more valuable than victory. Edison failed nearly 1000 times before inventing the light bulb. He did not lose hope after failing each time but learned from his mistakes. When asked how he felt failing so many times, the brave reply was that he learnt how a light bulb can’t be made from 999 ways.

Swami Vivekananda quoted ‘If you do not come across a mistake in a day, you never learnt anything new’. The greatest of the people manifested themselves by committing mistakes. Loss, failure and mistakes give an individual the experience which is needed by each one to realize the importance of a loss. Loss plays a very important role in everyone’s life.

Ashoka the Great won the Kalinga war but seeing the bloodshed, destruction, orphaned souls actually took him to tears. Ashoka’s biggest victory turned out to be his biggest loss, but it was this loss which made him transform in to a Buddhist.

In our lives ahead we will, make mistakes, have failures and also come across great loss but it is important that we take this as a step which will consequently lead us to victory. Hence it is the loss and not the victory which will be valuable because ‘If you never commit a mistake, have failure or lose something in a day, you actually never have learnt anything valuable.

A Girl

Mst. Malhar More [VI C]

A girl is always compared with a pearl. We rarely get a pearl as it needs patience, time, and hard work.

To get a girl the mother keeps the unborn child in the womb for 9 months.

The reason a girl is compared with a pearl is because of her inborn talent and beauty.

Sometimes people do not know the value of pearls so they just throw them away, in the same way some people throw/kill girls in her mother’s womb.

WHY!!!

Hidden Treasure

Mst. Aryan Shinde [V A]

Manas and I went for a trip on a beach. When we were swimming we found a bottle with a paper rolled inside. We broke the bottle to read the paper. We were walking through the swimming pool, someone dived in the pool & a wave hit us while reading a strange name written on the paper ‘Peter Pan’s X Treasure’

I told Manas, “Come on, Manas we’ll search the treasure & enjoy the thrill.”

Manas replied, “Yes, but only after night, as it is scary too!”

In the night we packed our bags & moved. We heard some footsteps behind us and realized that it was Jonathan, our friend, who wanted to join in the plan.

Soon a voice boomed “if you are obedient then jump in the sea.” We jumped as if under a spell. Surprisingly we could breathe easily. “It’s all magical”, said Jonathan slashing through the waves. The water was ice cold as we dived deeper. We followed the map drawn on the paper and reached the treasure gate. I sensed a trap and cautioned all. Tremblingly, we started throwing stones on it. We dug deep into the ice and Lo! We found the treasure. A golden light emerged with a booming voice, “take the treasure of powers to do good. If these powers are misused you will be destroyed.” We promised to do so and have kept the word till date.

Be a Good Writer

Mst. Miit Matlani [VII B]

The English language is a large maze of lanes & by-lanes. Follow the rules appositely & you will find your way through easily.

Be Subject Specific
If you are talking about cricket, stick to cricket & don’t deviate to football, unless you need to clarify something.

The Opening Introduction
You should open with a bang, making the reader inquisitive to continue.

Mind Your Grammar
Bad grammar is just like an atrocious footwork.

Usage of Appropriate Punctuation
If you are not ‘punctuation-strong’, remember by keeping your sentences short, you can by pass this problem.

Usage of Adjectives & Adverbs
Adjectives & Adverbs are the sixes & fours in your creative writing. They are what make your writing look all the more scintillating & interesting. Use different adjectives to describe the same noun & different adverbs to express the verbs.

Memorable Ending
Like the opening, the ending too must be special & exciting. Like your favorite ice-cream, your essay too should leave a lingering taste with the reader.

‘Sketches & Shades’, an Art Festival

‘Drawing’ an exploring art is one of these leisure pursuits which boosts the creative thinking and is an inexplicable way to express one’s emotions in a colourful manner. To help showcase the unreached imagination of the innocent minds with this unique perspective an art festival “Sketches & Shades” was held on Friday, January 17, 2014, for the students from Nursery to Grade VII where they unleashed their creativity and imagination on topics ranging from Mother to My Dream City.
Idea Exchange
With Ms. Rita Desai

Mst. Mohit Chordiya, Ms. Kenarraa Dhonay, Ms. Sejal Oberoi, Mst. Chaitanya Thukral [Grade VII]

Mst. Chaitanya Thukral  Mst. Mohit Chordiya  Ms. Kenarraa Dhonay  Ms. Sejal Oberoi

assignments?
A. Creating interest in teaching can be possible only if you know your students well. English being a language, there are various ways in which one can moderate the activities to the learning style of the students. Reminding my students that the assignments helps in building up the learning process or letting the students select their assignments helps me a great deal to get the best out of my students.

Q. Besides lectures what methods of teaching do you use?
A. Lecture method is a complete no in CIE. Mostly, in my class rooms, the learning involves eliciting, pair works, group work presentations, research and lastly development of ideas.

Q. How do you feel about team work?
A. An enriching as well as a must experience.

Q. Which is your favourite grade that you like to teach at FIA?
A. Any one who enjoys the language and is keen to work hard.

Q. What were the most satisfying moments throughout your teaching?
A. Moments when students answer beyond my expectations and pose questions that may challenge my own knowledge.

Q. Describe the biggest challenge you’ve ever had to face.
A. Convincing the parents that learning a language is slower than acquiring a language.

Q. List five adjectives that accurately describe you.
A. Hard working, keen learner, motivated, creative & organized.

Q. Message for our students…….
A. Be yourself as you are precious & unique.

Q. Who has most influenced you to become an educator and how?
A. My grade 7 tutor of St. Mary’s Convent School Mrs. Aabha Anand. Her charm, elegance, composed disposition, readiness to help the students and her motivation for self-reliance to achieve our goals, inspired me a lot.

Q. What is your approach to classroom management and student discipline?
A. I believe ‘Your class is a reflection of you’ whatever you present, will come back to you. If you scream, there will be noise in your class; If you smile, there will be lots of smiles; If you are open to listening, the students will share happily. Yes, there are difficult times but knowing your students and their learning style, helps a lot.

Q. If a student throws a pencil across the room
A. I’ll pick it up & give it back to the child but would surely talk to the child after the class.

Q. What is your view regarding the English curriculum followed at FIA?
A. The English curriculum aims at enhancing all the basic skills of the language. Besides, it is focused at offering a positive learning environment so that the students discuss, question, experiment with the language, build up confidence and eventually test it or use it effectively to communicate in speech and writing.

Epitome of Humility & Grace ….
Pushpa Madam - ‘Creative people are driven with passion.’ Rita is a source of motivation for us due to her passion and commitment.
Leena Madam – Is kind hearted, hard working & jovial by nature.
Respected Chadha Madam – An Asset to FIA, Rita did tremendous R&D at FIA to overcome the teething problems related to CIE curriculum in English language at Checkpoint Level. She designed and conducted short courses to help the tutors to make the learning process an enriching experience for them and the students.