

ILLUMINARE

CHINMAYA VIDYALAYA NEW DELHI

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E-NEWSLETTER
PRESENTED BY SOCIAL SCIENCE
DEPARTMENT



From The

Principal's Desk

It gives me immense pleasure to extend my best wishes for the Social Science E-Newsletter, a platform that nurtures awareness, reflection, and responsible citizenship. In today's world, where conflicts and divisions threaten global harmony, the message of world peace is more urgent than ever. Peace is not merely the absence of war, but the presence of justice, equality, and mutual respect.

Social Science helps students to understand the complexities of society and empower them to become thoughtful and informed citizens of the world. With their energy, innovation, and compassion, young Indians can bridge divides, challenge injustice, and foster harmony. Our students continue to explore critical issues, engage in meaningful debates and analyse real events with curiosity and compassion. Through education, dialogue, and inclusive action, our students can become ambassadors of peace and progress.

Let this E- Newsletter- Illuminare inspire you to think critically, act wisely, and lead responsibly.

Happy Reading!

Warm regards

Ms. Archana Soni

Principal

Editorial

Hari Om! Dear Readers,

Welcome to the latest edition of our Social Science

e-newsletter, Illuminare - a name that reflects our mission to enlighten young minds and spark meaningful learning.

Social Science helps us understand the world we live in — our communities, our culture, our government, and the values that connect us all. It encourages us to think critically, act responsibly, and grow into informed citizens of tomorrow. In this edition of *Illuminare*, you'll find a vibrant mix of student-written articles, thought-provoking facts, interactive quizzes, puzzles, and highlights from recent school activities. Each section is designed to make learning engaging, fun, and meaningful — because knowledge is not just about reading, but about discovering and participating.

We hope this newsletter inspires you to look at the world with curiosity and compassion, and to see Social Science not just as a subject, but as a guide to understanding life itself.

Stay curious, stay aware, and keep shining!

Warm regards

Ms. Nitu Rai

HOD Social Science & Humanities





Prachi Tokas, XIIC, was awarded the Gold Medal at the Delhi State Boxing Championship 2025, organised by the Delhi Amateur Boxing Association and Sarthi Foundation (in association with North District Amateur Boxing Association). The event took place from April 11 to April 15, 2025.





Nursery Adaptation Days

Chinmaya Vidyalaya, New Delhi, hosted *Nursery Adaptation Days* from April 3-5, 2025, with fun activities like obstacle walks, creative art, storytelling, and dance. Mascots like Doraemon and Panda added excitement, while a magic show and photo booth brought extra joy.

Bagless Day

Students of Classes VI-VIII enjoyed a vibrant day filled with inter-house football, Hanuman Jayanti celebrations, Happiness reflections, and English sessions. Class VIII explored sound and built water-level indicators in the ATL STEM workshop.



Sunshine & Chill

A Sweet Summer Celebration
On 17th April 2025, Pre-Primary learners at
Chinmaya Vidyalaya, New Delhi, enjoyed
Sunshine & Chill - a joyful day of fruit punch
making, colorful ice cream crafts, and a mock
ice cream parlor experience. With tokens in
hand, children "bought" ice cream from a
vendor, learning turn-taking and early math
skills—all while having cool, creative fun!













HANUMAN JAYANTI











Chinmaya Vidyalaya, New Delhi celebrated Hanuman Jayanti on 11th April 2025 with storytelling, bhajans, and chanting, inspiring students to embody Lord Hanuman's virtues of strength, devotion, and selfless service.





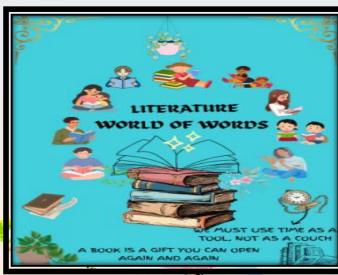






Poster making competition
was held at Chinmaya
Vidyalaya, New Delhi to
mark Autism Awareness
Day, World Health Day,
Ambedkar Jayanti, World
Book and Copyright Day,
and Earth Day.



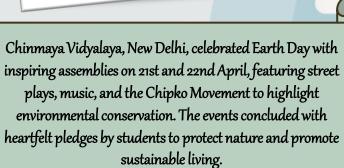


POSTER MAKING COMPETITION





Earth Day











Drop Everything

And Read!

During the enrichment period, students of Chinmaya Vidyalaya participated in the Drop and Read activity. They brought and read storybooks of their choice, creating an atmosphere of focused reading. Students explored a variety of books, which not only sparked their interest but also helped improve their vocabulary and language skills.











Break the Routine: Time for Excursions

Students of Chinmaya Vidyalaya, New Delhi participated in enriching excursions in April 2025, including visits to the National Science Centre and Qutub Minar, gaining hands-on learning in science and history.



BREAK THE ROUTINE

Visit to Doordarshan



On 23rd April 2025, Grade XI students of Chinmaya Vidyalaya, New Delhi, visited Doordarshan Bhavan for *Masti Ki Paathshala*, where they enjoyed an engaging session on concentration, a lively quiz, and a magic show. The visit was both fun and enriching, leaving students inspired and delighted.

On 23rd and 25th April, students of Classes XI B and XII B visited Anveshan Foundation at IGDTUW, where Dr. V.K. Arora conducted an insightful session on the startup ecosystem in India. The visit included a tour of the Incubation Centre and provided valuable exposure to real-world entrepreneurship and innovation.



Excursion to Anveshan Foundation

Celebration of International Dance Day: Chhau Dance Workshop by Mr. Sumit Mandal on 29th April 2025







As part of Emergency Preparedness Week, Chinmaya Vidyalaya conducted a First Aid Awareness session on 30th April 2025, led by Mr. Neeraj Khare. Students learned vital first aid skills including CPR and the DR ABC formula through an interactive live demonstration.

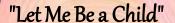












1 carry bricks, not books or toys,

I work with men, not girls or boys.

My hands are rough, my feet are sore,

But dreams still knock on my mind's door.

1 see a school across the street,

Where kids wear shoes and have clean feet.

1 wish to write, to learn, to play,

Not work from dawn to end of day.

Let children grow, not break and bend,

Give every child a chance to mend.

No child should work-let's make it right,

And bring their hopes back into light.

-Himadri Chandra, XB



"The Border Burns, the Hearts Bleed"

In lands where rivers once flowed free, Now echoes cry from hills to sea.

The skies are torn by roaring steel, And silence speaks what words can't feel.

The truce, once fragile, now lies dead, As smoke and sorrow gently spread.

Young sons in boots, with eyes like fire, March not with hate—but duty's wire.

A mother waits where letters end, A brother buries his best friend.

Both sides pray in different tongues, Yet grief sounds same in grieving lungs.

The flags may differ—green or bright—But blood knows neither wrong nor right.

Each soldier dreams of coming home, Of Iullabies, not fields to roam.

Leaders clash with sharpened tongues, While mothers sing their ancient songs.

But cannon's voice drowns out the dove, And scorches all the roots of love.

Oh, when will rage release its chains? When will we cleanse these crimson stains?

Must every dawn bring loss and flame, Till none are left to speak our name?

So here I write—a whispered plea— Let peace, not war, define the free.

For in the end, when all is done, We share the moon, the rain, the sun.

-Shaurya Bhrigu, X-A



Rudra Pratap



Anugya Tiwari

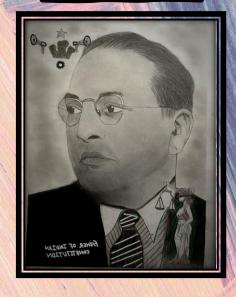
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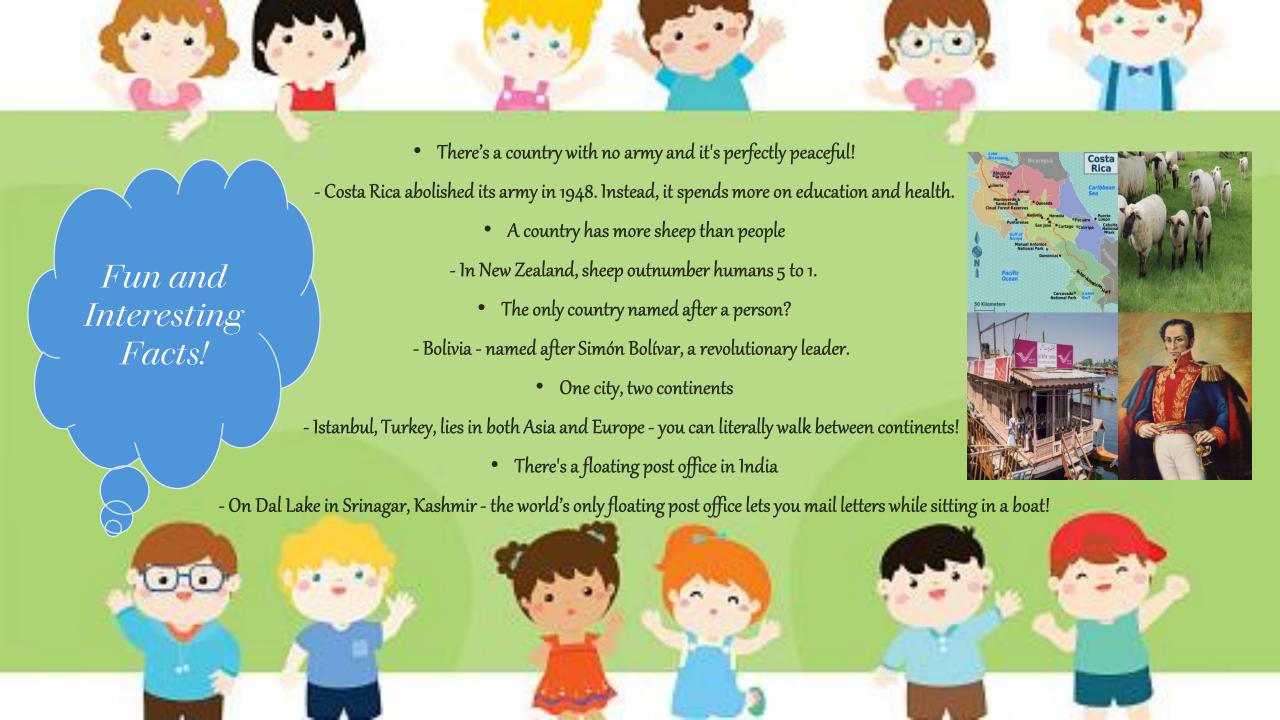




Rudra Pratap

Anugya Tiwari







Guess the State or Union Territory:

- My border touches the most number of Indian states and I'm home to Kaziranga's one-horned rhino.
- 2. I'm the only Indian state with two capitals one for summer and one for winter.
- 1'm India's smallest state by area but one of the top in literacy and tourism.
- 4. I'm the only Union Territory with four separate geographic locations.
- 5. My international border is shared with China, Bhutan, and Nepal.
- 6. I host the only active volcano in India.
- 7. I lie in the Thar Desert, but my forts like Jaisalmer stand tall.

KNOW YOUR CONSTITUTION

Match the following:



COLUMN A	COLUMN B
1.Guarantees the Right to Constitutional Remedies	A. Article 51A
2. Free and compulsory education for children aged 6—14	B. Article 356
3. Declares India as a sovereign, socialist, secular, democratic republic	C. Article 32
4. Directive Principles of State Policy	D. Article 249
5. Lists the Fundamental Duties of Indian citizens.	E. Preamble
6. Allows Parliament to make laws on State List during emergencies	F. Article 21A
7. Gives President power to impose President's Rule in a state	G. Part IV

ANSWER KEY: 1-C, 2-F, 3-E, 4-G, 5-A, 6-D,7-B

Crossword Puzzle

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Clues

Across

- 1. 100,000 in the Indian numbering system, first recorded use in late 16th century
- 3. Third Mauryan emperor (268 to 232 BCE), a staunch Buddhist helped spread the religion
- 6. _____ Jahan, Mughal emperor (1628-58) who built the Taj Mahal
- 8. Common language of Magadha in North India originated around 3rd century BCE
- Ancient Indian religious texts, orally narrated before they were written down in the 2nd century
- 10. A_settlement was established at Port Blair, Andaman by the British in 1906
- 11. ____Ghalib (1797-1869): Famous Indian poet known for his works in Urdu and Persian
- 13. Third dynasty to rule over the Delhi sultanate from 1320 to 1413
- 16. Follower of Indian religion originating in 7th-5th century BCE
- 17. Ancient Indian Ayurvedic unit of measurement of weight equivalent to about 4.8 kg
- 18. Empire extending across most of the Indian subcontinent from 321 to 185 BCE
- 19. (Mythological) Vedic sage credited with writing the fifth book of the Rigveda

Down

- 1. Lord Mountbatten served as the _____Viceroy from Feb 21 till independence of India on August 15, 1947
- 2. Community unit of 84 villages found in northern India originating in 14th to 15th century
- 3. The greatest of the Mughal emperors; reigned from 1556 to 1605
- 4. Essential energy for the body and mind as defined in Ayurveda
- 5. Ancient Indian principle of non-violence famously adopted by Maha<mark>tma</mark> Gandhi
- 7. Second Mughal emperor ruling from 1530 to 1540 and from 1555 to 1556
- 8. Site of three battles in 1526, 1556 and 1761 involving the Mughals
- 10. State capital of Goa, made the capital of Portuguese India in 1843
- 12. South Indian dynasty that peaked around 1030 and ended in1279 CE
- 13. _Sultan (1751-1799) was the ruler of Mysore from 1782 till he was killed by the British in 1799
- 14. _____India movement: Started by Mahatma Gandhi in 1942 demanding an end to British rule in India
- 15. Banned ancient practice of widow sacrifice by sitting on her husband's funeral pyre

Answe<mark>r Key</mark>

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	Across 1. LAKH
	3. ASHOKA
	6. SHAH
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	13. TUGHLAQ
	16. JAIN
14	17. TULA
	18. MAURYA
	19. ATRI

Down

- 1. LAST
- 2. KHAP
- 3. AKBAR
- 4. OJAS
- 5. AHIMSA
- 7. HUMAYUN
- 8. PANIPAT
- 10. PANJIM
- 12. CHOLA
- 13. TIPU
- 14. QUIT
- 15. SATI

