

June 2018-19

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PRINCIPAL'S DESK



The month of June has been bustling with a lot of activity. As I walk down the hallways of the school everyday, I can hear the chatter of eager minds, the shouts of excitement, the thump of dancer feet and the sound of melodious voices harmonizing. The perpetual energy, movement and enthusiasm permeate the atmosphere at Primrose Schools. We are a school which values individualism, creativity and innovation and strives to nurture them in our students.

I would like to thank all the parents who took the time and effort to come and meet your child's teachers during the KG orientation programme. We really value your input as 'Parents as first teachers' as you know what is best for your child. As educators we really want to form a strong positive relationship with you and your child for the years they are going to be with us. We also had the MOM MA'AM & ME programme, which was conducted to help the tiny tots' transition smoothly into their new routine as well as help the parents, children and teachers establish a good bonding. Our tiny tots of Pre-KG and LKG sections however, had a teething problem in getting used to the routine of the school which they overcame quickly.

The students of our very first batch of ISC for class XI started on 11th June. We are proud to have accomplished this great feat of getting the ISC recognition. We also held the Student Cabinet elections and students of classes IX, XI and XII actively participated in the election campaigns and proved that participation is more important than winning. The Cabinet online polls were held during the school hours and all students from classes IV and above cast their votes. The investiture ceremony for the office bearers will be held in the beginning of the next month.



Yoga – An ancient form of exercise which evolved thousands of years back in the Indian society and is being practiced continuously since then. Yoga helps in controlling a person’s body, mind and soul. It brings the physical and mental discipline together to soothe the body and mind. It also aids in managing stress and anxiety and keeps you relaxed. Keeping this in mind and the benefits of yoga for students we celebrated the International yoga day on June 21st during our school assembly with the help of a video stressing the need and importance of doing yoga in our daily life. To this effect all the students of classes VI and above had a special Yoga session on that day.

We also had our Ramzan celebrations in school, in which classes VII and VIII performed a skit on the five pillars of Islam and why Ramzan is celebrated. This was very informative and interesting as we are a multicultural school and living in the 21st century the students need to develop a sense of love, tolerance and respect towards all religions.

Each World Environment Day is organized around a theme that focuses attention on a particularly pressing environmental concern. The theme for 2018, “Beat Plastic Pollution,” is a call to action for all of us to come together to combat one of the great environmental challenges of our time. Based on this year’s theme we celebrated the environment day by watching a video on how animals and birds are facing extinction due to plastics. In an effort to ‘beat plastic pollution’, our school has started a double bin system for segregation of waste and reduction of plastic waste. The entire month was dedicated to the theme of cleanliness for the morning assembly. Classes IX, V and I performed various skits, dance, and shared thought provoking quotes. The assemblies were not only interesting, but had a profound message embedded inside them. It gave us a pause for thought and helped us to be extremely conscious of our impact on the environment.

I would also thank The Mother for all her blessings showered on us throughout this month and also to my team of teachers who have made this month an amazing one. For my dear students I would like to share a quote of Ziglar.

“If you are not willing to learn, no one can help you.
If you are determined to learn, no one can stop you.” - Ziglar



KG ORIENTATION

"A parent is a teacher at home and a teacher is a parent in school and the child is the centre of our universe."



Principal, Mr. Ganesh acquainting with the new parents and giving an overview of the kindergarten program.



Pre KG teachers, Ms. Sudha Baneerji & Ms. Subhashini introducing themselves - being every child's first and best teachers.



LKG A teacher, Ms. Reshma, welcoming the valued members of the school.



LKG B teacher, Ms. Sandhiya ensuring a happy, healthy and secure atmosphere for every child under her guidance.



Ms. Archana, UKG A teacher outlining and reaffirming the teachers' and parents' role as partners in the progress of their child.



Ms. Leena, UKG B teacher welcoming our new and returning students and families!

MOM, MA'AM & ME



Invoking the Mother's blessing for the toddlers' growth, development and achievement.



Having the best possible interaction between the mothers and the toddlers.



Parents with their kid after their fun painting time.



Exciting and rewarding to see the little one with his parent explore hand painting activity.



Parents and the tiny tots working on the hoops pyramid.



Kids helping their parents to make the hoops pyramid.

PRIMROSE STUDENTS' CABINET ELECTION

'It was great to see so many young people in the queue to vote'



Students in line to cast their votes.
"It feels really good to know that I have a voice ." said Ayaan of grade VI.



The new primary voters at the polling station



High School students casting their votes



Teachers exercising their right to choose the cabinet members



The administration staff too learning and casting their votes



The Principal declaring the winners of the students' cabinet election.

INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY



Primrose Schools celebrated fourth International Yoga Day by organizing a special yoga session in which the students and teachers along with the Principal performed various 'asanas'.



The asanas performed by the students had co-ordination of body and mind.



Students realised that Yoga is essential for inner and physical growth.

BEST CLASS AWARDS



Classroom awards make every child feel special.
Class II A winning their first best class award for the year. Kudos Kids!



Class VI B winning their best class award.
Congratulations. Way to go!

THE DREAM

I wander in my humble abode in an obstreperous city
And as I relax in my bed, I ponder about my bucket list.
In the final days of my life,
I sit on a pasture that is accompanied by a beautiful blue stream
As clear as a bright spring day.

I inhale the wonderful aroma provided by Mother Earth.
What a gift it was, with its glorious sun and chilly breeze
from the vast oceans in various parts of the world.

I breathe in and as I do so,
The scintillating scent of the fragrant flowers
Dutifully reinvigorate my mind and relaxes my senses.
I gaze around and spot the meadow filled with dazzling daisies
As white as fluffy clouds.

An array of sparkling rays shine over the horizon like dazzling lanterns.
The warmth of the heavenly sun,
Along with the peaceful breeze from the splashing stream
Arouses me into transcendental bliss.

I sit there and sigh for the very last time.
I regain my consciousness and find myself on my bed
In the midst of a tumultuous and bewildered city.



Ann Mona
Class IX

THE LAST LIFE

The whole city had transformed. Mechanised bodies moved about hastily getting on with their work. People were being levitated along the road, gawping at their phone screens, bound by the shackles of technology. Not so much as a whisper could be heard except for the whirring of machines.

The only souls left were a boy and a tree. He flopped under the tree, his sole companion, gazing at the people around him. Only one memory kept flashing vividly in his mind.

“His parents shared the same looks of elation. In their hands they clutched phones which they offered to the boy. He wisely refused, petrified of the far-away people his parents would unknowingly become.”

Everyone apart from himself had become prisoners of technology; it had tried to enslave him but it had thankfully failed.

Finally, the machine had arrived to end his companion’s life; its sharp blade lunged towards the boy and the tree. “STOP!” he cried at the machine but it was in vain. So he stood there, transfixed between Life and Death, his hands outstretched.

However, his voice had pierced the city like a sharp crack, arousing everyone from their electronic unconsciousness. They glanced around, for the first time realising the destruction of their handiwork. Their dreamy eyes fell on the boy, but it was too late. The machine inched closer and closer and touched his hands.

The machine exploded into a thousand pieces, being unable to withstand the purity of life. Everyone turned to him like a swarm of bees, buzzing with questions, but he ran to embrace his friend. The tree, a symbol of the environment that Man had destroyed was alive once again, all because of the last life.

Journalists’ desperately swarmed around the boy, eager to find out more. “What is your name?” one of them enquired. His arms still tightly wrapped around the tree, he replied “My name is Life.” And with that final note, the flowers bloomed and Mother Earth had awoken from her sleep.



Riya Antony
Class X

TRAVELLING, THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THING

Besides being a teacher, I am an ardent traveler. I have always had a dream of becoming a voyager right from my school days and I hoped that one day my dreams become a reality. Incredibly, my dream is not only a dream now, but also a reality. I have travelled to lots of places in and around Tamil Nadu with my parents during my school days. I always cherish my visit to Kodaikanal, not least because of the natural beauty and the cool climate, but also because of the pure and pollution-free fresh air. Moreover, Kodaikanal is also a no-plastic zone in Tamil Nadu. Hats off to the Government for the extraordinary initiative! My environmental awareness began from my house. My dad still has two bicycles; indeed, I roam with bicycles even now with my husband whenever we are in our hometown. To all of my friends' astonishment, we did not have a fridge in our house until I completed my post-graduation! After this surprising statement, you may think that we belonged to a poor cadre. However, my dad was an officer in a national bank at the time. Even still, he had Gandhi's principles in mind, adhered by it, and convinced us to follow it. To quote from the Father of the Nation himself, "There's enough on earth for everybody's need, but not enough for everybody's greed". We ought to think about this. I have been to Singapore and America; I am aware of the importance given in these countries to forest conservation and protection of the environment. It saddens me that, when I am in India, I find pollution everywhere I go. Our country historically symbolizes natural beauty and it is about time, we unite and save our Mother India for the sake of our children. It is everyone's responsibility to save the environment; it starts from home. Reduce your use of plastic, make your kitchen waste into a compost, harvest rainwater, plant tree saplings if you have space even a small rose plant will do. Start acting now and never succumb to the enormity of the task- to save our glorious Earth.

R.L Priyadarshini
Class Teacher V B



DIGITAL INDIA A BOON OR BANE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Digital India is a campaign launched by the Indian Government to ensure the Government services are made available to citizens electronically by making the country digitally empowered.

Digital India consists of three core components:

- Development of secure and stable digital infrastructure
- Delivering government services digitally
- Universal digital literacy

Our digital revolution

The digital revolution touches all aspects of our human and physical world in many varied and constantly changing ways. Whether you wish to read the news, comment on line, watch a film, or buy insurance.

Will Digital India do any Good to Environment?

The future of digital India is bright and there isn't any doubt on that. India is experiencing exceptional growth in digital payments.

With reference to the environment, the non-usage of paper notes would indirectly lead to the conservation of the environment as trees would not be felled to manufacture paper notes.

When the industrial revolution took huge strides in advancing humanity, it was never intended to pollute our rivers or air. And now with digital revolution we must start to ask will the digital revolution be environmentally sustainable?

The overall carbon emissions from the digital ecosystem are significant. And with only a quarter of the world population on-line and our thirst for “expecting anything, anytime, anywhere” will place greater pressure on our physical ecosystem





Although the servers, infrastructure and devices used in delivery produce the direct impact on the natural world, energy used in this system is ultimately driven by people interacting with digital products.

Unlike the paper product which once produced has a pretty fixed carbon footprint, a digital product and its footprint is constantly influenced by many people.

Many of these people sit outside your organisation's direct control and it is often these aspects which account for the largest elements of your carbon footprint. However, total carbon emissions from digital are growing and we need to find more advanced methods of incorporating carbon impact in digital decision making.

Why is this so difficult?

From our experience there appears to be four key challenges to building an environmentally secure digital revolution:

Lack of awareness - There little understands publicly that digital action has an environmental impact. All digital actions are perceived to be positive for the environment.

Lack of controllable levers - Digital actions that drive environmental impacts are typically small and dispersed across many people and organisations.

Pace of change - Due to the speed of change of the digital ecosystem once you have identified your impacts the system or the product itself changes and your findings become less meaningful.

We need to tap into new digital ways of thinking to look at these problems if at all we want to say Digital India is a boon to Environmental conservation. Without these measures and metrics in place I would say it is a bane to Environmental Conservation.

Sai Nishanaath
Class VIII



DIGITAL INDIA IS A BOON OR A BANE

Digital India initiative seeks to lay emphasis on e-Governance and to transform India into a digitally empowered society. It was launched on 1, July, 2015 by PM Narendra Modi. It aims to ensure that government services are made available to citizens electronically. It is a campaign launched by the Government of India to ensure that Government services are made available to all citizens by improved online infrastructure and increasing internet connectivity to make the country digitally empowered in the field of technology.

“I dream of digital India where high-speed digital highways unite the nation” says Narendra Modi.

“Slowly ideas lead to ideology, lead to policies that leads to actions” ,says Nandan Nelaikanni CEO of UIDAI-unique identification authority of India.

Impact:

- ✓ National e-governance plan
- ✓ UMANG
- ✓ E-sign framework
- ✓ Swacch- bharat mission (SBM)
- ✓ E-hospital application
- ✓ Digital attendance
- ✓ Net banking
- ✓ BPO and job growth
- ✓ Panchkula district of Haryana was awarded for being the best as well as the top performing district in the state under digital India campaign

Pros:

- + Ease of doing business.
- + Preparing the country for knowledge- based information.
- + It ensures that government services are provided even for people without internet.
- + The department of electronics and information technology anticipates that this program will have a huge impact on the ministry of communication and IT.
- + Black money eradication

Cons:

- + Personal data is being hacked by hackers which promote child trafficking and robbery.
- + Due to net banking our bank data is being hacked by cybercriminals which results in robbery and financial loss for us.
- + Because of providing internet to everyone many Indians are being arrested for cyber bullying and cyber harassment.
- + Call tapping leaks personal information.
- + Message tapping also leaks personal data.

I conclude that digital India is a boon. But there are solutions:

- Cyber security should be increased.
- Harsh punishments should be given by law for creating fake profiles and cyber bullying and cyber harassment.
- Call tapping and message tapping should be prevented by a safer network platform.
- Net banking details should not be easily hacked and should be secured by the government of India.

IS DIGITAL INDIA A BOON OR BANE TO THE ENVIRONMENT?

Digital India, it is an Indian Government initiative to convert official paper works into digitalized form, wherever possible.

This digital India program was started in the year 2006, but progress was slow, and now we are paying more attention on it and progressing with rapid changes. Aadhar program is a classic example for a digital India program. It solves two purposes – All personal information is stored digitally and no paper work is required, secondly recovery becomes easy. In my opinion digital India is a boon for our environment, because we reduce the use of paper and save a lot of trees. As per latest statistics India consumes 13 million tons of paper in a year. The demand is estimated to increase 53% in 2020(Source: Business Standard). It is the right time for us to control the usage of paper and find an alternate to it. Digital India is an apt approach to reduce paper consumption. If we convert at least 25% of documents to digital, then we will save 3.2 million tons of papers, which in turn it is equal to 50,000 big trees. Once we convert the paper works into digital documents, it can be shared with others easily through internet this increases accuracy and saves time considerably.

Even school books are now available as e-documents; many schools are getting converted to digital mode. All banks reports are sent by e-mail, by which banks are saving lot of money and paper. In the same lines if we start supporting digital India, we will save more paper and eventually more trees which will help us reduce global warming. Thus digital India serves to be a boon to environment conservation, considering just one aspect of reduction in paper consumption.

In another aspect moving the document to digital form will mandate every person to have a digital device to view or edit the document. Usage of electronic device will increase leading to increase in electronic waste. Though the electronic waste is another big challenge to global warming, in a year amount of electronic wastes produced are much lower than paper wastes produced by human.

Thus I conclude that digital India is definitely a boon that helps and supports us on environment conservation.

Rupiga R.
Class VII

ORGANIC MANURE PREPARATION FROM HOME

Every day, huge amount of household waste is produced throughout the world. According to a report by Chitan environmental research and action group, individual middle class residents in big cities generate nearly 0.8kg waste per day and nearly 60% or more of the daily waste is generated in household is made up of organic matter.

Composting is the best way to handle your food waste, it needn't leave our house or head to the landfills.

There are three home based manure producing methods. They are:

1. Pot Composting
2. Vermi Composting
3. Bokashi Method

1. Pot Composting:

Divide the household waste into dry and wet waste: tea bags, fruit peels and food which was leftover are wet waste. Paper, card board and plastic are dry waste. Put both types of waste in two different containers. When the container of wet waste is full, put its contents into the first composite part. Same quantity of dried leaf will be better. Add buttermilk or cow dung which is a semi composted material to start the decomposition process. Every other day turn the pile. It has to be kept at the right level of dampness. Add water and stir it if it is dry. Add dry leaf and stir it, if it is wet. Once full, leave the pot for thirty to forty five days for the composting to happen. Move the semi-composted container into a large container or bin, if the container is full. After two months, it will turn into rich compost to be used or sold.

2. Vermi composting:

Start with a plastic tub. Get shredded: newspaper, cardboard, coconut fibers and cow dung cakes. Soak these items in water and squeeze them, put them in a worm bin. Put earthworms with soil. Add compost to the earthworm soil. And it has micro organisms to get the worms started. Add kitchen waste to it once in two or three days. Do not add meat, dairy products or fatty food. Use only a limit of citrus and its peel in your vermin compost bin. Use only fruits and vegetable peels, egg shell, coffee ground tea bags and tea leaves.

3. Bokashi method:

“Bokashi” means fermented organic matter in Japanese. The Bokashi composting method uses a select group of micro-organisms to anaerobically ferment organic waste. It is a two stage process:

Stage 1: We need a large air-tight drum for fermentation. The process does not break down at the contents as there is no oxygen.

Stage 2: Decomposition takes place when the fermented soil is added to soil or compost. The fermentation also conditions food waste, so that it will break down more rapidly at the decomposition stage.

GLOBAL WARMING

Global warming is an extremely threatening condition to all the living things on this planet, because it causes diseases, spoils the flow of ecosystem and also leads to extinction of species. This has become a critical condition because of unhealthy human activities like plastics bottles being overused and the emission of gases from the vehicles, deforestation and careless use of natural resources.

Global warming can be controlled by some measures, yet people are not ready to follow them and sustain this planet for the upcoming generation, but this attitude would lead to the end of the world. So now, it is our duty to preserve this planet for the upcoming generation, but how?

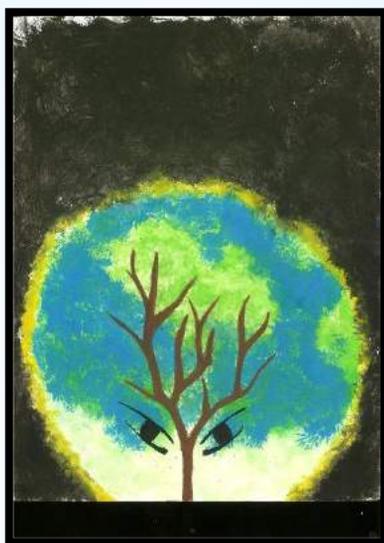
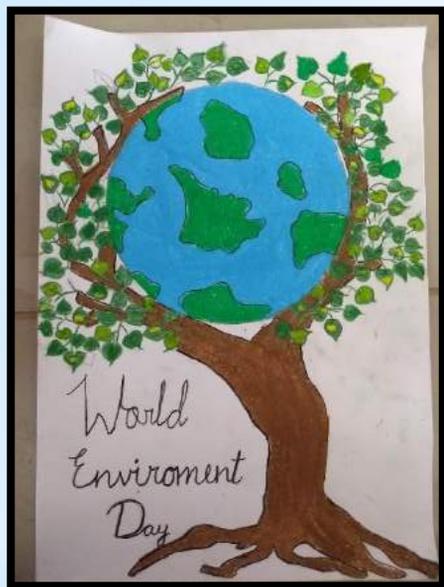
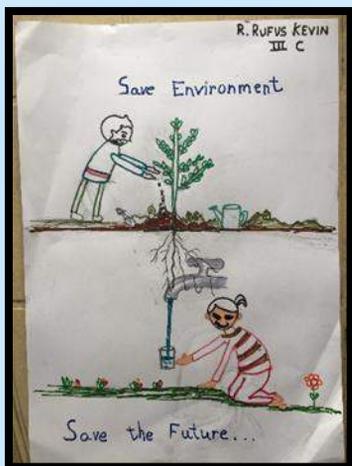
Global warming is caused by the our careless duties, but it can also be stopped by some of these precautions:

1. Deforestation is one of the leading factors of global warming. It can be stopped by planting more amount of trees, as trees cause rain by transpiration.
2. Inventing alternate fuel resources which are eco-friendly.
3. Stop usage of perfumes that emit cfc (chlorofluoro carbon) because they deplete the ozone layer.
4. Water depletion is also an extremely threatening factor, the quantity of water around the globe that can be used for consumption is only 1-2% out of 73% and therefore saving water is a must for our survival in the future.

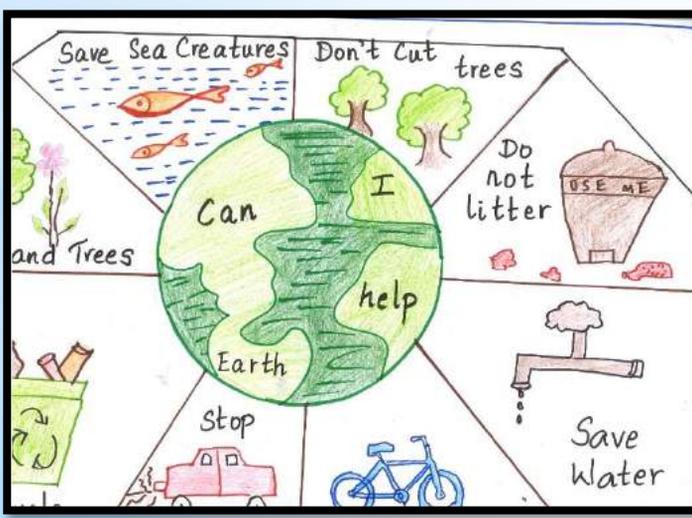
By following these precautions, global warming could be controlled and the world would be a better place for our future generation.

Joanne Betty D'costa
Class IX

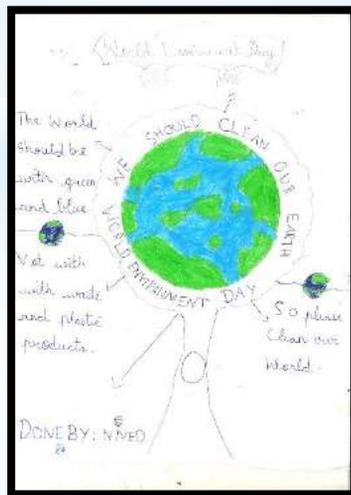
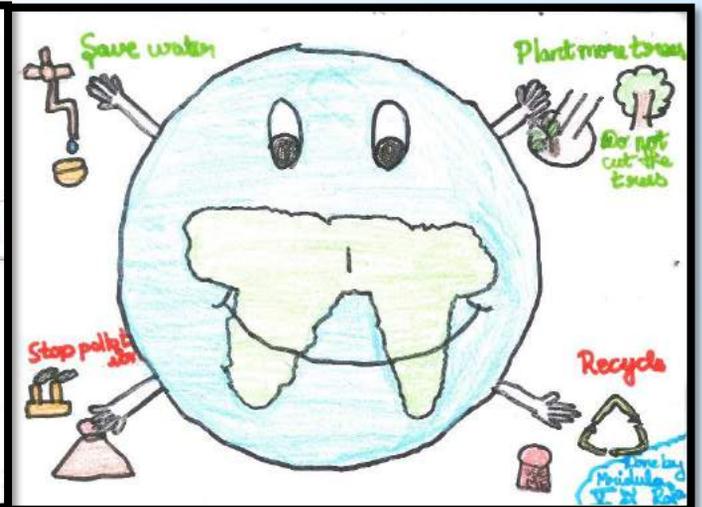
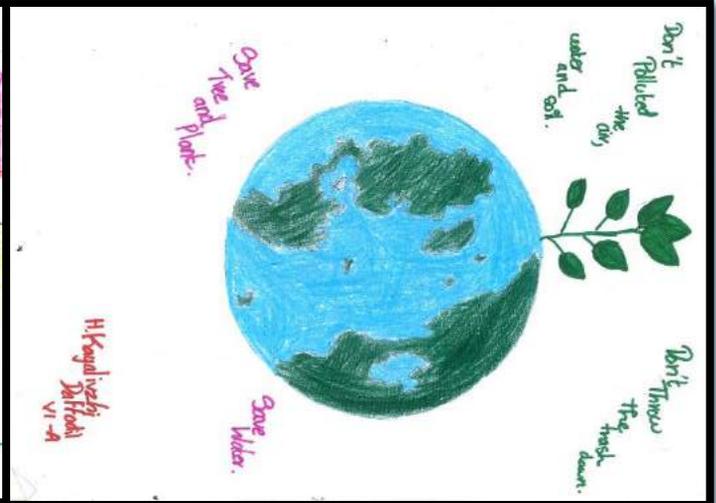
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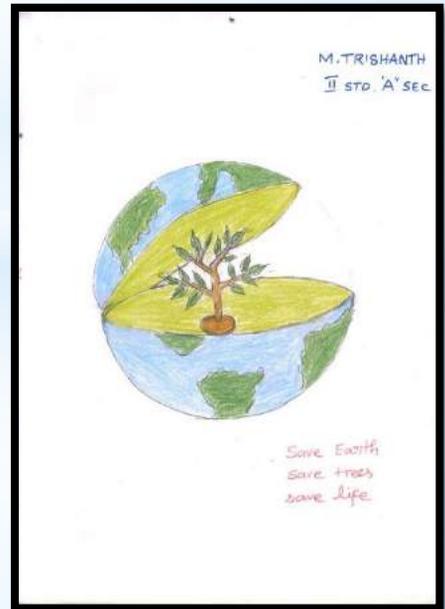
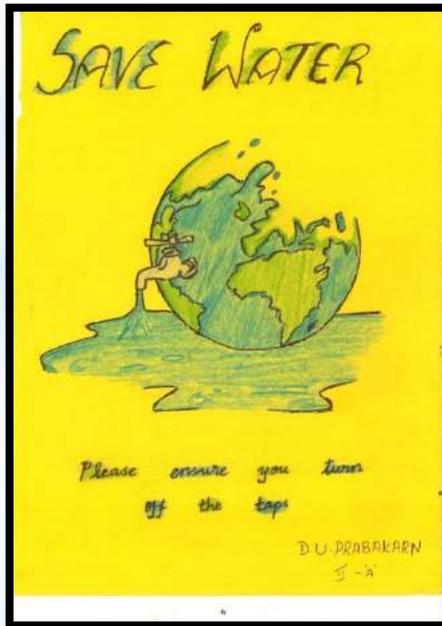
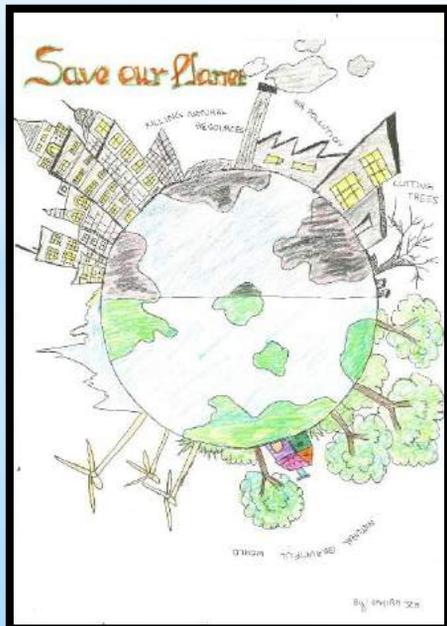
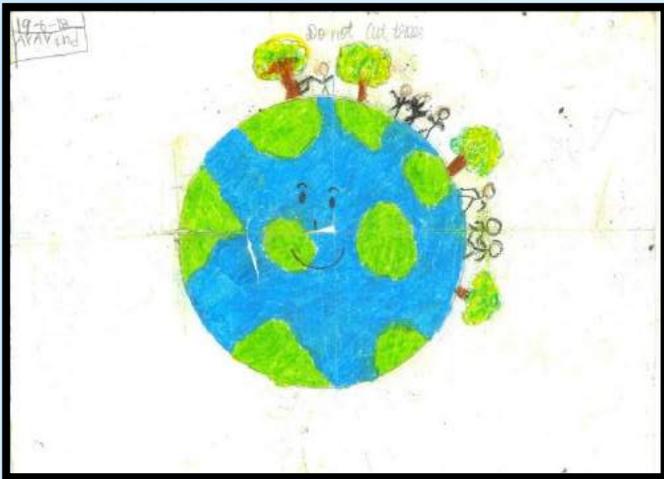
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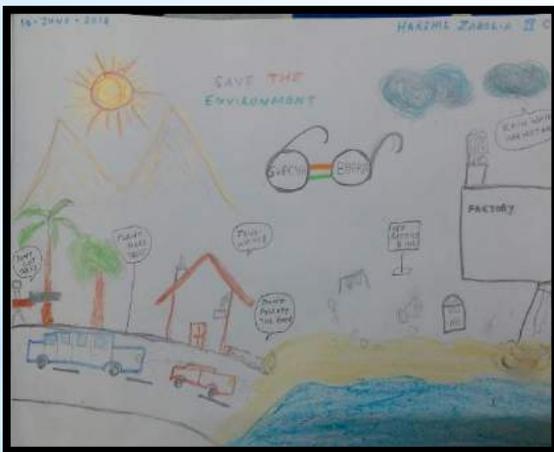
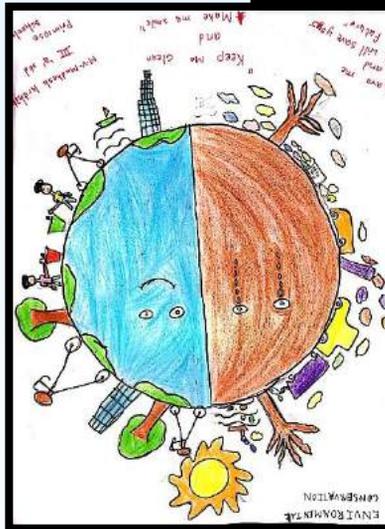
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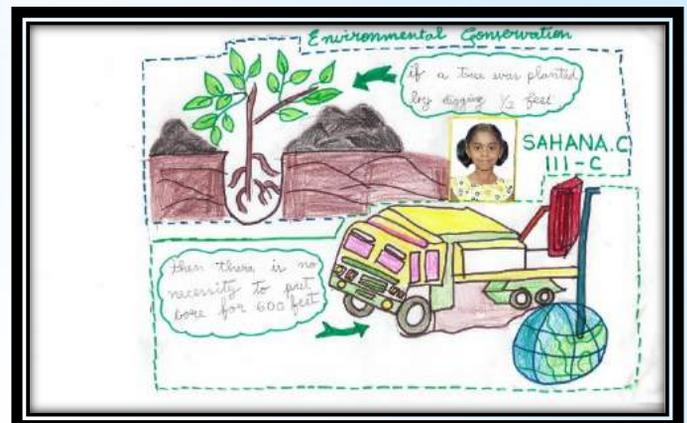
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Global Warming In Anupurna VI-A

Since inception of the argument about global warming, which erupted in the scientific and popular literature during the 1980s, this aspect of environment change has been addressed by those involved in the sciences, the biological sciences, astronomy and environmental sciences.

Strong questions do arise about these extinction events have always been caused by sudden or gradual change in Earth's surface temperatures caused by climatic conditions or cataclysms such as Earthquakes, Volcanic eruptions, and others natural happening.

Other authors and scientists, such as Roy Spencer in his book Climate Confusion take up the opposing view on demonstrate how climate change hysteria has gathered pace in the world, fueled by international organizations like IPCC, Awareness, and economic doom saying by the stakeholders with authority and claims.

Spencer plant address of authority, both scientific and political, at the end of all the flights taken up by opposing factions in the debate. He states that just because the science of the at day and the political in power, make persuasive arguments, it does not necessarily mean those opinions warranting or even true.

This popular scientist appeals to the layperson and gives us easy to understand rationales to refuse political, religious, and philosophical reasons placed behind the global warming argument.