

MESSAGE BY THE PRINCIPAL

COMPLICITY, CONFORMITY, COLLABORATION, & CONSENT

I read a news article in 'The Hindu' yesterday which began this way: 'A day after open threats were issued to them, residents of a slum cluster in Palra village of Gurugram's Sector 70A on Wednesday, August 2, 2023, said majority of the families, most of them from parts of West Bengal, fled the area while the remaining live in fear with some spending the night in a wooded area...'



Most of the women from this slum area worked as domestic help in the high society skyscrapers in the neighbourhood. Due to this violence and the fear it spread, these women could not report to their regular duty of house keeping. And so, domestic waste got accumulated in front of the tall posh towers and its lanes.

The high society women who would not utter a word to condemn the hateful attacks on the slum dwellers, had finally opened their blissful mouth to speak on the apathy of accumulating waste in front of their flats and towers. Why is the high society SILENT on hateful violence in its neighborhood? Doesn't this silence of the majority, and affluent make it complicit in these hatred acts of increasing violence in different parts of our country. We have become highly selective on the issues we want to speak about. Very often, if not always, we remain silent, if an issue of gross injustice doesn't concern us. That's where our complicity in the crime lies.

It leads us to the next 'C' - Conformity. One of the apt examples for conformity is to follow the majority's Opinion or the opinion of those who rule. Often, in group settings, it's easier just to agree with everyone else's point of view, no matter what you think.

Whereas the entire TV media surrendered its conscience, a few did not. Whereas most of the opposition followed suit, a few would not. Whereas almost all bureaucrats and their offices chose to toe the line of the establishment, a few officials stood to their conscience. CONFORMITY is a CHOICE individuals and groups make. A great nation, along with its glorious Constitution, its core values, and its peaceful cohabitation could be at stake.

When acts of violence, injustice and division abound all around, we must be able to raise objections, to speak out our opinions fearlessly, to make our stand clearly and truthfully. In the absence of such a safety system, most of us succumb to pressure and, hence, choose to remain mute spectators of the (mis)happenings. That is where the other two 'Cs' - CONSENT & COLLABORATION follow. In fearful or unconcerned SILENCE, we, in fact, give our implicit consent and thus become collaborators to the misgovernance and its shameful or frightening consequences.

INDIA, the BHARAT is a great notion and is destined to be a great nation. Let us make it happen by our just and right engagement. God bless our country. God bless our Jammu. God bless our Petrine Family.



- Principal Fr. S Joseph

The Magical Effect of Patience and Perseverance is the Disappearance of Difficulties and Obstacles

The Petrine Student Council members of Grade 9 ABC conducted the month-end assembly, They highlighted an interesting theme i.e. 'The Magical Effect of Patience and Perseverance is the Disappearance of Difficulties and Obstacles'. They focused on the importance of how one can learn from its suffering and troubles by being humble. Patience and perseverance is no doubt magic only a few individual know. These individuals make clever decisions hence slowly all their problems vanish resulting in an easy path to walk on.





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When it rains look for a rainbow, when it is dark look for the stars

Petrines of grade 6A highlighted the theme: 'When it rains look for a rainbow, when it is dark look for the stars.' How motivating and reenergizing the topics are! And the body language of our students from class 6 A is also quite positive and proactive. Dear students, you gave us vitalizing capsules this morning through your words and activities on the stage. Let us put our hands together and clap in gratitude.



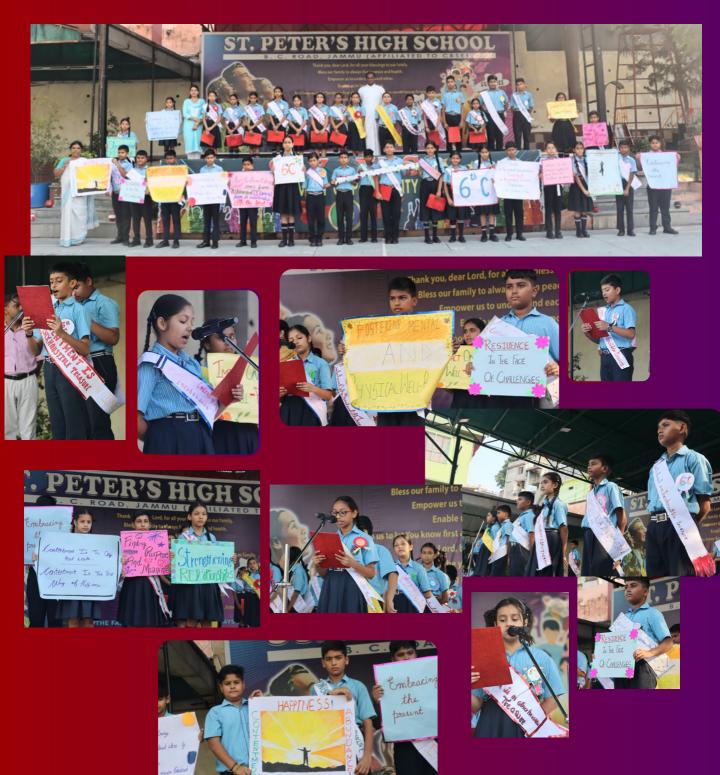
⁰² August 2023 You Win You Earn, You Lose You Learn

The budding students of class VI B conducted a magnificent assembly on the topic 'You win you earn, You lose you learn'. They inspired the students to look at their loos in a right way and to never Panic an all the situations as there is learning in each and every failure. The students were encouraged to never lose hope and never underestimate one's Potential even if they meet with the loss as when we fail, we become aware of all the reasons that did not work and the areas where we went wrong. You ought to understand the fact that life is all about meeting new challenges each and every single day and you should never take a loss as your downside. At the end of the day, it is all about your perspective that is going to matter. In the same way, it is good even if you are failing before you could make it turn into your favor, which also means that you are taking attempts or trying hard to make it work!



03 August 2023 Contentment is an inexhaustible treasure

The enthusiastic Petrines of Grade VI C organised a beautiful assembly on the theme of contentment being an inexhaustible treasure. Contentment is an art of finding joy in simplest of things. It protects a person from adversity and fosters a true sense of positive well-being. True happiness lies in contentment and thus everyone should be happy with what the almighty has offered them. The students of the Petrine family were motivated to cultivate this feeling of contentment in their life as it creates productive feelings of peace, calm, and happiness.



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Knowledge doesn't end in a book

The students of grade V A organised an impressive assembly on the topic, 'Knowledge doesn't end in a book.' There is learning everywhere from a prayer in a church to the everyday wonders of the nature. Hence, we should keep our heart and mind open to all the aspects of learning. The students were inspired to keep learning through a thoughtful poem and a knowledgable story.





Feast of St. John Mary Vianney

A special prayer was also offered by a group of Petrines on the occasion of feast day of St. John Vianney, patron of priests. He is also known as the Holy Curé de Ars. The school Principal Rev. Fr. S. Joseph and coordinator Fr. Peter Paul were presented a bouquet of flowers and were congratulated on this auspicious occasion.











Special Mass was held in the school chapel on the first friday of the month.

Appreciate the similarities, Respect the differences

The talented Petrines of class 5 th B organized a thought provoking assembly on the topic 'Appreciate the similarities, Respect the differences'. They inspired the Petrine family to respect and acknowledge the differences of each individual through a beautiful Skit and to inculcate a feeling of empathy and understanding for others was also focused. They also motivated the Petrine family to promote tolerance and compassion among themselves.



Weekly Glimpse

 Ashmeet Kour, Carol Gill, Gifty John, Stalwart Gill, Mannat Sharma, Fabia Sotra, Vania Bhatti and kanan Bajgal participated in the group song competition accompanied by Mr. Vicky Gill (Music teacher) on 31 st July at K.C. International School, Jammu under the aegis of Jammu Sahodya Schools Complex.



 Tvishi Sharma, Stenzin Gill, Mitali Sharma, Khushi Choudhary, Ridhi Gupta, Yakshi Pandey, Kritika Jamwal, Maria Bhatti along with Mrs. Sanmeet Kour represented the school in the Inter-School Classical Dance Competition that was held on 5 th August at Army Public School, Jammu Cantt. under the umbrella of Jammu Sahodya Schools Complex.



 Aaditya Mahajan, Anandita Goel, Sutiksham, Himanshi Tangri, Shivay Kartar Verma, Harshita Puri, Avni, Sandeep bhagat, Sparsh Balgotra, Mckenzie Athwal, Tanishqa Gupta, Raghav Gupta and Mohit Kalotra have been awarded a gold medal for their excellent participation in the SOF International Mathematics Olympiad.



• A special class wise debate of the students of grade VI-X was organised in the school hall on 04.08.23.



- Following are the selected students for the final round of Debate: Class 6ABC – Suktaj Singh (6A), Manyata (6B), Tanisha (6B) & Ragya Manhas (6C), Class 7ABC – Syed Shobin (7B), Yuvraj Singh (7B), Anandita Goel (7C) & Tivishi (7C); Class 8ABC – Sayem Sharma (8A), Mitali Sharma (8A), Sai Ishwara (8A), Mehak Sheikh (8C) & amp; Kritika (8B); Class 9 ABC – Pranvi (9A), Soham Om Sharma (9A), Avni (9A), & Anvi Manhas (9C); Class 10 ABC – Sayem (10B), Mannat (10B), Subhanya (10B) & Alina Sheikh (10C).
- The Junior Inter-House Table Tennis Championship was organised in the school campus on 05.08.23.
- The first Charity Tuesday for the month of August was observed on 1.08.23.



- The second cycle of Periodic Test for classes (1 st to 10 th) of Mathematics will be held on 7 th of August 2023.
- The SEA (Grade) in English, Maths, EVS/Science, Hindi will be conducted from 7 th of August to 12 th of August for classes U.Kg to 10 th .



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