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'FOR WHATSOEVER A MAN SOWETH, THAT SHALL HE ALSO REAP'

"For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind." (Hosea 8: 7)

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We, the Indians, will be feverish with patriotic behavior for this one week and we will eventually move on to focus on our own families, businesses and companies with selfish passion and all-out corruption for the next 51 weeks of the year. 'Nation First – Always First' should not be a slogan. It should be our attitude and behaviour. It should be our permanent attitude and behaviour. Not just during the weeks of Independence Day and Republic Day. That's how we become better and responsible citizens. Because our INDIA needs us to be sincere and responsible. That's how we make our freedom relevant. HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY to all my fellow citizens.

In 1947, INDIA obtained FREEDOM. But the foreign oppressors schemed and sowed the seeds of hatred between Muslims and Hindus.

Throughout the freedom struggle, we - both Muslims and Hindus, Sikhs and Christians fought together as brothers and sisters as sons and daughters of one Bharat.

However, when we got the freedom we fought for, when it was the time to celebrate this freedom we fought together for, we started hating one another, killing one another and building walls of division between us on religious, linguistic and regional lines. After the Partition, after we got independent, streets were filled with the corpses of those brutally killed by their neighbors – one community killing the other community. Our bazaars, trains and buses were like shamshan ghat or kabaristan. We need to familiarize ourselves with the bygone stories of hatred, tragedy and violence in the divided Hindustan at the time of Partition, when the seeds of hatred were sown by the British invaders.

What has happened to those seeds of hatred and division sown at the time of Independence in 1947? What do the sown seeds do? They grow and produce fruits manifold. Yeah, for sure this is what happens to the seeds. We are basically an agrarian society. So we do understand this fact easily. After 76 years of Freedom, what we see now in today's India is hatred and violence grown manifold.

The holy Bible states, "For they have shown wind and they shall reap whirlwind." This is also the Karma philosophy of our Hindu scriptures.

For more than three months now, Manipur has been burning (May 2023 – August 2023). One tribe killing the other, one tribe setting ablaze the houses of the other, one tribe parading naked and/or raping the women of the other community. Law enforcement machinery is found to be either favoring one tribe or doing nothing to stop the inhuman crimes.

This indifference, this hatred, this division and its consequences are the whirlwind we are now reaping. We witnessed another series of violent happenings recently (August 2023) in Haryana in which one community targeted the other community with the support of the administration. This majoritarian politics and its consequences are another whirlwind we are now reaping. In January 2023, Indian wrestlers – Olympic medal winners, began protesting for investigation into the allegations of sexual harassment of female wrestlers by a sitting MP Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh during his tenure as the president of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI). How many of us were stirred? That was trivial to us because those sexually harassed were not our daughters or sisters.

This triviality and its consequences are the whirlwind we are now reaping. This is where the schools and homes must become the sowers of values like equality, dignity, esteem, positivity, love, justice, cohabitation and peace. We must focus on this if we want our freedom to be relevant and responsible. Because, this is how we shall be reaping fruits of these above said values in manifold. Happy Independence Day.

Long Live India. God bless India. God bless the Petrine Family. Jai Hind.

- Principal

Fr. S Joseph

'Lasting happiness doesn't come from what you get but from what you give'

The students of grade V C organized a wonderful assembly on 'lasting happiness doesn't come from what you get but from what you give'. Happiness is in sharing, doing things in accord with others. It arises in each one of us like a wave when we expand our consciousness to absorb the beauty around us and give it back to the people in our life. The students of Petrine family were inspired to help others, be generous and kind to others through an interesting story and a beautiful poem. A happy dance was also performed to motivate the students to be generous to everyone and share their blessings with others.



On 7th August 2023, we were honored to welcome back one of our esteemed alumni, Mr. Akshat Sawhney, from the illustrious 2001 batch, to his alma mater. His visit filled the corridors with memories and emotions as he strolled through the halls that once echoed his laughter and dreams.

Mr. Akshat Sawhney's heartwarming interaction with the bright young minds of Grade 10 A,B&C was nothing short of inspirational. The classrooms he once sat in now buzz with enthusiasm, and his presence reignited that flame of passion within him. It was a truly nostalgic moment as he shared anecdotes from his own school days, bridging the gap between generations. With a gleam in his eyes, he passionately addressed our students, encouraging them to chase their dreams fearlessly. He reminded them that the journey might be tough, but it's the challenges that mold us into strong individuals. In an era dominated by screens, Mr. Sawhney emphasized the importance of balance. He urged our students to view technology not just as a pastime, but as a tool for self-improvement. "Put down the phones and pick up new skills," he exclaimed, highlighting how technology can be harnessed to enhance knowledge and skills. He expressed his gratitude by presenting a meaningful gift to our principal, acknowledging the tireless efforts he has put into nurturing the school's growth and success. As a gesture of appreciation and to share his joy with the entire school, he also distributed sweets that symbolized the sweetness of the memories created during his visit. Mr. Akshat Sawhney's visit was a testament to the strong foundation our school provides, instilling values that extend beyond the classroom. We thank him for gracing us with his presence, sharing wisdom, and igniting a renewed passion for learning and growth.





Imagine with all your mind, believe with all your heart, achieve with all your might

The students of grade X A conducted a pleasant assembly on the importance of achieving one's aim in life by believing in oneself. They inspired the students of the Petrine family to think big, toil hard and be consistent in their efforts to achieve their goals. Inspiring examples of people who did not lose hope and worked hard for their dreams were shared, to encourage the students. A highly motivated and energizing dance was also performed to inspire the students to take control of their actions and work in an efficient way to achieve their goals.



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9th August 2023

Freedom- What it means to different people and Quit India Movement Day

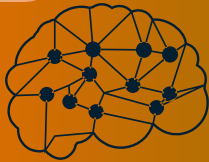
The talented students of grade X B conducted a heartfelt Patriotic assembly on a very crucial topic: Freedom- What it means to different people and Quit India Movement Day.

The Quit India Movement Day is celebrated to pay tribute to the efforts and dedication of Freedom fighters of India. Their participation in the World War II brought us the happiness of freedom. This day reawakened the spirit of Nationalism in the hearts of the Indians. A melodious song was also sung by the students to celebrate freedom as a way of life and liberty towards an individual.



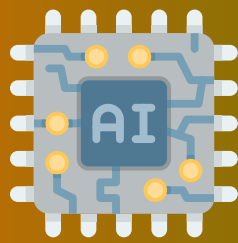
A two-minute silence was observed in the memory of Rev. Bishop Hippolytus Kunnunkal, the first Bishop of the diocese of Jammu & Kashmir on his death anniversary. A short prayer was also offered to departed soul of KL Pandita, father-in-law of Mrs. Neetu Pandita, a teacher of St. Peter's High School.

'Technology and Teenagers- technology should improve life not become life'



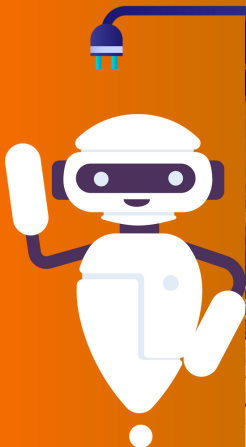
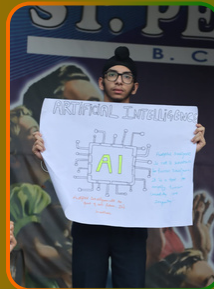
The brilliant students of class X C organised an informative assembly on the topic technology and teenagers- technology should improve life not become life.' The students engaged the Petrine family with both positive and negative impacts of technology in the lives of the teenagers. They also made the students aware about the dangers of technology like cyber bullying and rising levels of screen time among teenagers. They inspired the students to use technology in a responsible way and treat it as a useful servant rather than a dangerous master.





The Fundamental Role of AI in IT Industry

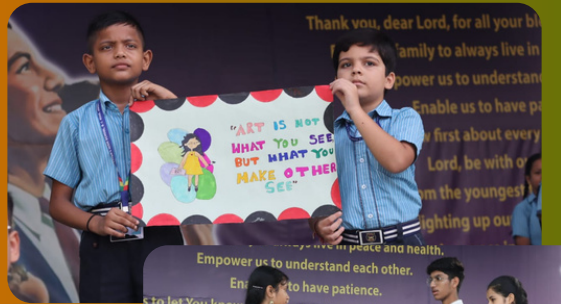
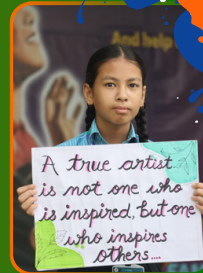
The students of AI Team (Computer Club organized) a knowledgeable assembly on 'The Fundamental Role of AI in IT Industry'. Being a powerful tool, AI has been profoundly influenced the field of IT with its diverse applications. It is used in IT operations and infrastructure management. The students were informed about the importance of AI in the contemporary world through an informative poem. AI is not replacing the human work but enhancing the human capacity.



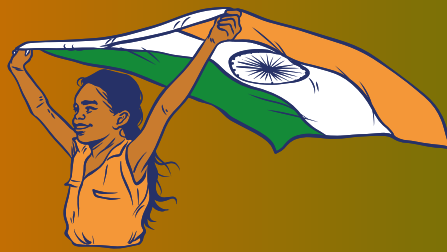


'There is no must in art, as Art is free'

The students of Art club displayed a magnificent assembly on the topic, 'There is no must in art, as art is free'. It means that there is no mold that can confine the expanse of knowledge, inspiration and beauty that makes up art; it is free to take on the form of whatever we perceive it to be. The students showcased a beautiful skit depicting that art is everywhere and everything we see is a form of art. The students of the Petrine family were inspired to support art in all the forms and appreciate it wholeheartedly.



14 August 2023



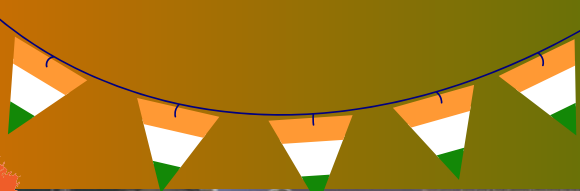
Independence Day Celebrations

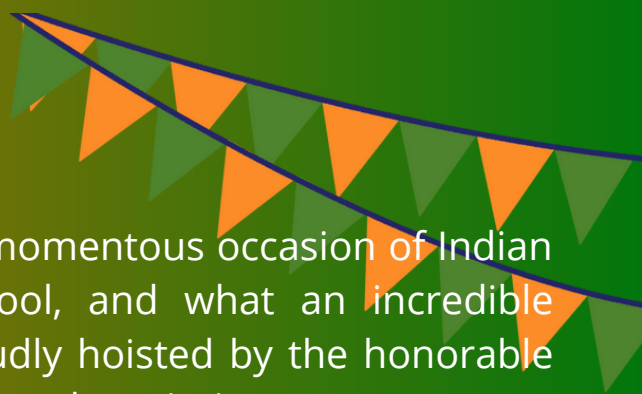
We all witnessed a special assembly in anticipation of our nation's Independence Day celebrations. Our Petrine Sports Club accomplished a fantastic job in conducting this special assembly.

For the patriotic fervour with which the students filled our campus, for helping us salute our freedom fighters and martyrs and for inviting the Petrines and all the citizens to be responsible Indians, we - the Petrine Family, thank our students and teachers from the Sports Club.



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We had the privilege of commemorating the momentous occasion of Indian Independence Day at St. Peter's High School, and what an incredible celebration it was! The tri-color flag was proudly hoisted by the honorable Rev. Fr. Peter Paul, filling our hearts with pride and patriotism.

Yesterday, our Principal Rev. Fr. S. Joseph addressed the students, delivering inspiring words that ignited the fire of patriotism within each one of us. He shared the significance of this historic day, emphasizing the sacrifices made by our freedom fighters who fought bravely for our freedom. Their indomitable spirit continues to inspire us, reminding us of the importance of cherishing our hard-earned independence.

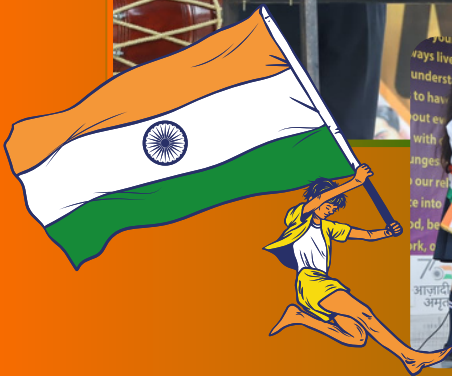
The talented Petrines with full zeal participated in India classical dance and mesmerized us all. They also delighted our heart with soulful patriotic group song.

The atmosphere was filled with fervor and delight as patriotic songs filled the air, sung by our talented students followed by March past by the Petrine student council members.

This celebration served as a reminder to always uphold the values of freedom, unity, and diversity that our great country stands for.

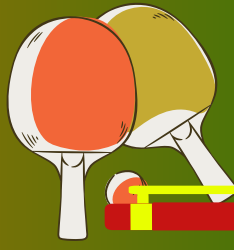
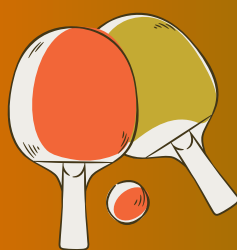
On this auspicious day, let us remember the sacrifices of our brave heroes and strive to be responsible citizens who contribute to the progress and prosperity of India. Happy Independence Day!





Weekly Glimpse

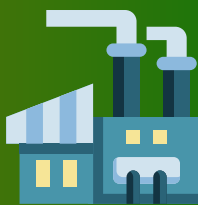
- The Inter-house Table Tennis Boys {VI-VIII} Competition was organised on 5 August 2023. The first position was secured by Vardaan from 6C of Divergence house followed by second position to Vinayak from 6B of Allegiance house. The third position was given to Abhishek Khullar from 6B of Allegiance house and the fourth position was bagged by Ashank Bharti from 6A of Diligence house.
- The Inter-house Table Tennis Girls {VI-VIII} Competition was organised on 5 August 2023. The The first position was bagged by Ridham from 8B of Allegiance house The second position was awarded to Chehak Mehta from 8A of Convergence house. The third position was secured by Deevishi from 7B of Diligence house and the fourth position was given to Swasti from 6C of Divergence house
- Neha Kumari (6A), Srishti Kalia (6A), Rudhra(6B), Dheeraj Sharma (6B), Sourabh Gupta (6B), Yukti Thapa (6B), Panya Raina (6C), Ajay Kalotra (6C), Jayati Sharma (7A), Sambhav Sawhney (7A), Parineeti Sharma (7B), Tvishi Sharma (7C), Laksh Banalia (7C), Bhavik Gandotra (7C), Kritika Gupta (8B), Sayam Sharma (8A), Ridham Sharma (8B), Yakshi (8C), Rachit Sharma (9A), Hansika Sharma (9A), Aayushman Sharma(9A), Siddhi Sundan(9C), Lovish Sandhu(10A), Ridhima Verma(10A), Aarush Bhatti(10A), Aneek Meghwan(10A), Prachi Kohli(10B), Mohd. Usman(10B), Kuman Karanveer(10B), Abraz Anwar(10B), Mannat Malhotra(10B), Yatin Kalsi(10B), Cheshta Bhat(10 C), Visharad Kalsi(10C) and Shubhdeep (10C) have been awarded a certificate of participation in the SOF International Olympiad 2022-23.
- 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) & 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 periodic test of EVS and Science was conducted on 14/08/23.



Exploring the World of Industry!



The young minds of St. Peter's High School's Class 9 A, B, & C embarked on an incredible journey into the heart of innovation and production! On August 12, 2023, our students set foot in the bustling realm of industries at the S.I.D.C.O Industrial Complex, Bari Brahmana. In a remarkable collaboration with the U.T. Department of Industries and Commerce, the students were granted the opportunity of a lifetime – an up-close and personal encounter with the inner workings of various industries. With curiosity in their eyes and enthusiasm in their hearts, our students ventured into the factories, gaining first-hand insights into the processes that drive these powerhouses of production. They visited two remarkable establishments: Uflex Ltd. and Saraswati Plastotech. Uflex Ltd.: A hub of innovation and packaging excellence, Uflex Ltd. showcased the seamless integration of technology and creativity. Our students witnessed the transformation of raw materials into stunning packaging solutions that grace store shelves across the globe. Saraswati Plastotech: This stop illuminated the world of plastics and its diverse applications. From everyday essentials to cutting-edge creations, our students observed the versatility of plastics and its role in shaping modern life. Our heartfelt gratitude goes to Sh. Virender Kumar Manyal, JKAS, General Manager of DIC-Jammu, for his unwavering support in making this experience possible. We are also immensely thankful to the President of the Bari Brahmana Industrial Association, SIDCO, for their encouragement and partnership in nurturing the future of our youth. This industrial visit was not just an excursion; it was an immersive learning journey that broadened horizons and sparked aspirations. Our students now carry with them a treasure trove of knowledge and insights that will undoubtedly guide them as they pave their paths ahead.



- The students of class Xth of YSM club visited Missionaries of Charity, Janipur on Saturday as a part of the club activity after school hours.



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**UPCOMING
Events**

The Student Enrichment Activity for classes VI-X will be conducted from 14th August to 19th August 2023.



WISHING YOU ALL



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