Dear Parents,

“If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant: if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome.”  
Anne Bradstreet

Standing at the threshold of a new academic session with high hopes and a feeling of achievement, ready to turn all the odds in even and making the utmost of this fresh and new given opportunity. Prepared to face the challenges and the trials which would make everyone learn new and enriching lessons and gain experiences and all set to make new mistakes and later learn from them. This is the start of a new dawn where all the classes would be bustling with eager, new and happy faces ready to learn and ‘we,’ the parents and teachers being the power pillars of the establishment must work together for maintaining the same happiness with which the child came on the very first day.

"Year's end is neither an end nor a beginning but a going on, with all the wisdom that experience can instill in us."  
Hal

Throughout the coming academic year, we will celebrate the importance of Khadi, with all the activities of the school geared towards it. So, let the World Book and Copyright Day to be held on April 23, a symbolic date for world literature since that day conincide with the birth or death of prominent writers as Cervantes, Shakespeare, Inca Garcilaso de la Vega, Manuel Mejia Vallejo, Maurice Druon, Haldor K.Laxness, Vladimir Nabokov, JosepPla, among others. It was a natural choice for UNESCO's General Conference, held in Paris in 1995, to pay a world-wide tribute to books and authors on this date, encouraging everyone, and in particular young people, to discover the pleasure of reading and gain a renewed respect for the irreplaceable contributions of those, who have furthered the social and cultural progress of humanity.

AMAZING FACTS
- We probably don’t spell Shakespeare’s name correctly— but, then again, neither did he.
- Shakespeare is most often referred to as an Elizabethan playwright, but as most of his most popular plays were written after Elizabeth’s death he was actually more of a Jacobean writer.
- Shakespeare has been credited by the Oxford English Dictionary with introducing almost 3,000 words to the English language.
- Women were not allowed to act in plays during Shakespeare’s time, so in all of his plays, women’s roles were performed by boys/young men.
**LUNCH BOX- SECRETS**

**SOOJI BOMBS**

Ingredients:
1 cup sooji (semolina), 1 onion (fully chopped), ¼ cup grated cottage cheese, 1 cube cheese grated, ½ cup bread crumbs, 2 tbsp oil, 1 tsp cumin seed, 1 tsp red chilli powder, 1 tsp kasuri methi, 1 cup milk, salt, oil for frying.

Method:
Take oil in a pan, add cumin seeds, after a minute add onions in it. When onions become transparent add red chilli powder, kasuri methi, salt and mix it. Then add sooji to it and stir it for 2 to 3 minutes. Then add paneer and cheese and ½ cup milk and ½ cup water and cover it with a lid for 2 minutes. Allow it to cool down. As it cools make small balls, dip it in milk (1/2 cup milk left), roll it in bread crumbs and fry it till golden brown.

**TONGUE TWISTER**

Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers. A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked. If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers, where’s the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?

**FESTIVE MAGNITUDES**

**Baisakhi - 13th April:** It is a Seasonal Festival celebrated all over the state of Punjab, India and few other parts of North India. It is celebrated on the first of Baisakh month. Baisakhi is one of the major festivals of Sikhs and is celebrated with lot of enthusiasm and gaiety in the state of Punjab and throughout the world where there is a significant Sikh population. For the large farming community of Punjab, Baisakhi Festival marks the time for harvest of rabi crops and they celebrate the day by performing joyful bhangra and gidda dance.

**Vishu - 14th April:** This festival heralds the beginning of Malayalee New Year. People of Kerala celebrate Vishu with lot of joy and mirth. One very interesting custom of Vishu is Vishukani or KaniKanal (first sight). Under this tradition there is a prescribed list of items that people see first thing on a Vishu morning. The custom stems from the strong belief of the people of Kerala that good things seen on the New Year day brings good luck for the entire year.

**Tamil New Year - 14th April:** The month of Chitthirai (April - May) embarks the time of festivities in Tamil Nadu. Tamil New Year Day "Putthandu" is celebrated on April 13 or 14 every year (according to the Gregorian Calendar). People greet each other "Putthandu Vazhthukkal" which means Happy New Year. This entails different colors of life. It depicts that life hasto face everything from success to defeat.

**Bihu - 14th April:** The main Bihu Festival is grandly celebrated in Assam around mid-April. This festival is celebrated in the spring season with an intention to spread happiness all around. Even though this festival has ancient significance and practices, it has eventually become a very popular urban festival in recent decades. The Bihu Festival involves Bihu folk dance and songs.

**CAMPUS CLANDESTINE**

The ambience of March was filled with exam tension. SA2 had spread it enormous wings bringing stress and anxiety along. 'Camera-eye' of the fading year witnessed a lot of learning. The various individual and group activities carried out every Thursday were not only educational in nature but also fun filled. These included cooking activities, field trip to Biosphere Park. Activities incorporated in the activity calendar aimed at reiterating the significance of the theme of the year “Celebrating Diversity- the difference is in the knowing” sensitized the children towards the differently abled.

**PARENT PLUS**

- Children are growing, changes can be seen in their behavior, try to understand and empathize with them.
- Cossetting them is fine, but at the same time you need to be stern on them.
- Reading to your kids and also guiding them in reading helps them a long way.

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