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WHAT'S BUZZING AT NCS GOA?



Dear Students and Parents of NCS Goa,

Here's what is buzzing at NCS, Goa this week.

31st October 2022 to 7th November 2022

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The Primary and Secondary school students were busy with Olympiads this week. Students of classes III to XII attempted the International English Olympiad and National Science Olympiad conducted by SOF, Science Olympiad Foundation. Meanwhile, the secondary school girls competed in the inter house throw ball competition. Teresa house emerged as the winner, while Indira house followed closely as the runners up. Hindi department teachers attended an online Faculty Development Programme conducted by Navy Children School, Delhi. Ritika Chelluri & Avni Khylia were selected for the National level Badminton competition. School conducted the recertification of ISO audit successfully. Rashi of class VIII B was declared winner at the Hyundai sponsored golf inter school tournament held at Bangalore. Riyansh Mishra of class V B also won in his category at the same tournament.



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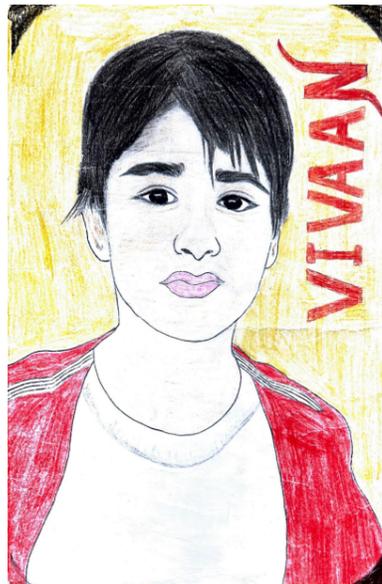
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MY EXPRESSIONS FROM STUDENTS OF NCS, GOA

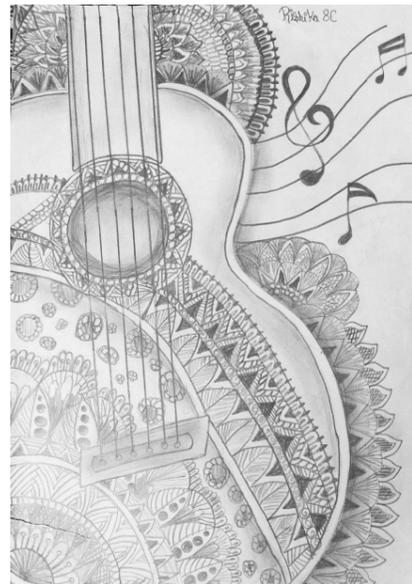
Mandovi Ghosh
V A



Vivaan
IV D



Rishika
VIII C



Vikesh Kumari
VIII C



MY MOTHER

My mother's name is Sheetal.
She is very loving.
She cooks my favorite food.
She wakes up early in the morning.
She teaches me good manners and moral values.
She scold me on my mistakes.
She helps me in my studies.
I love my mother.

Pravya chauhan
class 1 B

IT'S ME DINOSAUR

George Nelvin

1 B

I am a Dinosaur;
Long tail and long neck;
Long claws and scaly skin;
Like a terrible lizard.
Feathers to keep me warm;
Sharp teeth to chew food;
When lost or broken;
I will get a new tooth.
You cannot see me now;
Ahhh !!! I am extinct;
But my fossil exist.
I am a Dinosaur.

MY KERALA TRIP AFTER 2 YEARS

Madhav Manoj V
I B

I was waiting for May to go to Kerala, but the lockdown came, and I couldn't go to my favourite place for 2 years. Finally this year in May, my dream came true.

I visited my grandparents and other relatives during the vacation, played with them and enjoyed a lot. I also went to hill stations, beaches and did boat cruise in Kerala. It was a wonderful trip for me and my family. Now I am waiting for the next May to go again to my favourite place and have lots of fun.

ANECDOTE

One stray cat started visiting my house daily in June 2021. I started giving her milk whenever she used to come. One day she got a small kitten with her and left her at my house. The kitten was very small but playful and naughty. Very soon the small kitten had made a connect with my whole family. We named her Dolly. We would feed her milk, made her play, when her mother was not around. Once her mother didn't visit for days together and we took her inside our house to protect her. I made a small house from a carton box for her in my room. She became a family member. In between her mother used to come and see her. After a few months when she had grown up, one day her mother took her along with her. I was heartbroken and tried searching for her in our locality. One day we saw her in another house in our society. She was with her mother and very playful as usual. I told my family to take her back to our house. But they said that let us not confine her in our house away from her mother. She will be more happy in her natural environment with her mother. I agreed and we came back.

In November 2021, one night we heard lot of cat quarrelling noises in our backyard. My family came out, quieted them, and we saw a small frightened kitten sitting in one corner. Her mother had gone after the cat who was attacking the kitten. After some wait, when her mother didn't turn up, we took the kitten inside. The little kitten refreshed my memories of my previous kitten Dolly. The kitten now stays with us, her mother never turned up. We have named her snowy.



Dolly



Snowy

Tejal
VII A

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"PERMACRISIS" IS 2022 COLLINS DICTIONARY WORD OF THE YEAR!



The editors of the dictionary looked through billions of words to find the right one to describe how it feels to be thrown from one thing that has never happened before to the next. There have been temperatures that have never been seen before, terrible floods, slow economies, persistent COVID-19 infections, a war in Ukraine that has done a lot of damage, and more inequality.

The Collins English Dictionary recently announced that "permacrisis" will be the word of the year for 2022. A permacrisis is a long time of instability and uncertainty, which the dictionary says is usually caused by a series of disasters.

For the words of the year, the editors at Collins look through a database with billions and billions of words. They also look at newspapers and social media feeds from time to time to find new words and signs that they are being used more.

The word "permacrisis" was chosen from a list of 10 words and phrases, of which six are new to the dictionary. Among them are: splooting - which means lying on your stomach with your legs spread out, sportswashing - which means sponsoring or promoting sporting events to fix a bad reputation, and lawfare - which means using the legal system to scare or stop an opponent.

The editors at Collins sift through a database that contains billions upon billions of words to come up with their choice for the word of the year. They also periodically examine other publications, such as newspapers and social media feeds, in an effort to discover new terms and indications that such words are beginning to be used more frequently.

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STUDENTS PARTICIPATE HERE!

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AROUND THE WORLD

FIFA World Cup 2022 fans flock to Dubai!



Image Credit : Canva

Dubai is the “most enticing location” for fans travelling for the World Cup. The city’s airlines, pubs, restaurants, shopping malls, and other attractions all have their sights set on tourism.

The FIFA World Cup is the most prestigious football competition held every four years. The FIFA World Cup 2022 is expected to bring as many as 1.2 million spectators to Qatar. Dubai is prepared to welcome fans as the major sports championship takes place.

The participating football clubs believe that Dubai is the place you’d stay as a foreign visitor if you can’t stay in Qatar. They feel that Dubai is safe, and it’s a place that’s more liberal in comparison to Western standards.

In the past two decades, Dubai has transformed from a village into a modern metropolis. It is complete with the world’s tallest building, enormous malls (including one with an indoor ski slope), and a thriving nightclub scene. Also, Emirates credits Dubai International Airport as the busiest airport in the world for international travel.

‘Climate chaos’ warning at the start of UN session COP27!



Image Credit : Twitter

The United Nations Climate Change Summit (COP 27) is taking place in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt. The opening statement of the conference states that our planet is “sending a distress signal”. The most recent eight years are on track to be the warmest on record. The conference will also include discussions on “loss and damage” finance for developing nations.

The United Nations has been holding global climate summits, called COPs. COPs stands for “Conference of the Parties”. These summits bring together almost every country on Earth. The participating countries evaluate how far they have come in fighting climate change.

Egyptian Foreign Minister, who was in charge of COP27, told world leaders that they shouldn’t let problems with food and energy stop them from taking steps to stop climate change. Scientists think that the world’s average temperature has gone up by 1.15 degrees Celsius since the start of the industrial era. The study also warned about the other long-term effects of climate change.

Which countries rank the top and bottom in terms of air quality?



Image Credit : Canva

Every country and 97% of cities have an average annual air pollution level higher than the WHO advises. The countries of Scandinavia, Australia, Canada, Japan, and the United Kingdom are placed among the top nations for the quality of their air as per a report by IQAir.

According to IQAir, a global air quality monitoring business, the average yearly pollution level in every country and 97% of cities were greater than the World Health Organization’s safe limit. These suggestions assist nations to create health-protecting laws.

More than two hundred of nearly six thousand cities fulfilled the WHO’s average quality criterion. India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh have air pollution levels ten times higher than recommended.

Scandinavia, Australia, Canada, Japan, and the UK had world-class air quality, with average levels one to two times higher than standards. Beijing’s air quality has improved over the past five years, the research says.

Arctic temperature rise is worrying scientists!



Image Credit : Canva

This was the first time in the history of the land north of the Arctic Circle that the temperature was at least 38 degrees Celsius. The World Meteorological Organization said the temperature belonged more in the Mediterranean than in the Arctic. Siberia’s record-breaking temperatures showed that the Arctic was warming faster than the rest of the world.

Two recent analyses found that this year’s wildfire season was not a one-time phenomenon. Instead, it was a pattern that may grow more common as the planet heats. The study’s lead author believes heat waves could dry plants. Thus making them more flammable and likely to cause wildfires.

Researchers say Arctic wildfire emissions threaten world climate goals. This rise in the amount of land burned each year shows that the Arctic is experiencing a change in fire patterns. Another study found that the Arctic is getting warmer four times faster than the rest of the world. To reduce Arctic fire seasons before the turn of the century, scientists recommend reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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After three decades, late-evening life radiates Srinagar!



Image Credit : Youtube

Srinagar is beginning to witness scenes of late-evening life. This hasn't happened like this in more than 30 years. The city that would usually be silent and dark after sundown has its youth hooked on new passions. Playing football and cricket competitions in floodlit stadiums till midnight.

A significant number of matches are broadcast live on various social media channels, such as Facebook. The well-lit stadiums have proven to be popular among people in several regions of the Kashmir valley. So much so that the sports authorities want to install perhaps a dozen floodlit stadiums in the months to come.

In addition, young people aspire to get involved in sports and keep mentally and physically fit. Image depicting Srinagar Furthermore, Srinagar continues to see an uncommon amount of residents and automobiles loitering around until late into the night.

Because there are about 120 high-beam lights, the stadium is a lively place for the young people who live in and around the stadium.

6.3-magnitude earthquake jolts Nepal

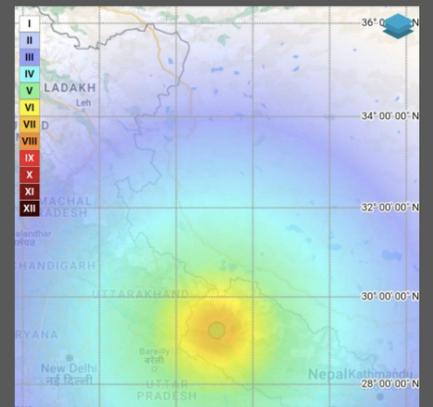


Image Credit : NDRF

A powerful earthquake struck Nepal. Delhi, Noida, and Gurugram felt significant tremors for many seconds. The earthquake took place at 1:57 in the morning. According to the data provided by the National Centre for Seismology, the earthquake had a magnitude of 6.3. Also, the earthquake occurred 10 kilometres below the surface of the earth.

The epicentre of the earthquake was located in Dailekh, Nepal. It is located approximately 90 kilometres southeast of Pithoragarh, which is located in Uttarakhand. The European-Mediterranean Seismological Centre (EMSC) stated that about 209 million people in India and Nepal felt the tremors. The tremor spread over a distance of 500 kilometres.

Disaster management teams said Delhi's emergency operation centre hasn't received emergency calls. Nepal was struck by two earthquakes in the span of just one day. The United States Geological Survey (USGS) said that Nepal was shaken by at least two earthquakes, one measuring 4.9 and the other 3.5.

India's first voter passes away at the age of 105!



Image Credit : Twitter

Shyam Saran Negi was the first voter to cast a ballot in India's first general election following independence from British rule. The 105-year-old had voted in the Himachal Pradesh state assembly elections just three days before he died.

Shyam Saran Negi may have been the first person to vote in India's first general election after the country gained its independence from British rule. Since then, Mr Negi has taken part in all of the elections. He voted in the Himachal Pradesh state assembly elections just three days before he passed away on Saturday.

In 2014, the Electoral Commission gave Mr Negi the job of brand ambassador as part of a plan to get more people to vote. He also appeared in a Google video that urged people to cast their ballots in the general election that same year.

Mr Negi was quoted as saying that voting in elections is not only our right but also our duty. In addition, Mr Narendra Modi spoke fondly about Mr Negi while he was at an election rally.

Prarambh - India's private sector rocket launches!

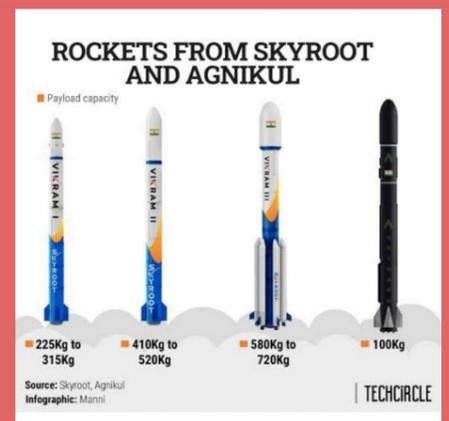


Image Credit : SkyrootA

India's first private rocket launch is almost ready to take off for the first time. The name of the rocket is "Vikram-S." It is made by an Indian space startup Skyroot, which is based in Hyderabad. The name of the mission in which Vikram-S will send three customer satellites on a suborbital flight is "Prarambh."

In addition, it will also help test and confirm technologies in the Vikram series of space launch vehicles. This mission will be the first time a private company has done a launch. From Sriharikota, the launch will happen between November 12 and 16.

Skyroot is making three different types of Vikram rockets right now. Furthermore, these rockets will send payloads into orbits with a total mass of between 290 kg and 560 kg. They will do this by using a variety of solid and cryogenic fuels. "Prarambh" will be a tribute to India's private space industry, which has grown a lot thanks to reforms and the government's vision.

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SPACE & TECHNOLOGY

The nearest black hole to Earth is 1500 light-years away!



Image Credit : Gemini Observatory

The Space Economy is a 450 billion-dollar ecosystem that each of us participates in on a daily basis. In point of fact, you are most likely viewing this on a mobile device or internet connection that is made possible by a satellite that is orbiting the earth somewhere in space.

The Space Economy includes all the companies (such as those who make rockets and satellites, research climate change, work in data and finance, are in the defence industry, etc.) that combine to develop the trillion-dollar ecosystem above our heads that makes modern digital life possible. Analysts expect the space economy to be worth \$10 trillion by 2040.

As per experts, rapid technology advancement, and commercial incentives will flourish space tourism. "Spaceports" will be the new interstellar transport centres.

Space Economy will bring in the next Industrial Revolution. Some of the key areas include digital assets, robots, AI, nuclear, solar, superior battery technology and many more.

Invisible particles from a nearby galaxy puzzles scientists!



Image Credit : NASA

Since we started looking for life outside of our solar system, not even a century ago, we have already found many planets in the galaxy that are similar to Earth. One of these planets, GJ 1252 b, has been called a "super-Earth" because its surface is so hot that it could melt gold.

The team discovered that GJ 1252 b's dayside temperatures were at a scorching 1,228 degrees Celsius. The extremely high temperatures and low surface pressure lead the team of astronomers to forecast that GJ 1252 b probably does not have any atmosphere at all.

GJ 1252 b is a rocky, terrestrial exoplanet that was discovered in the year 2020. It has a radius that is 1.18 times larger than the Earth's, and it is located 65 light-years away from the blue planet.

In its system, it is much closer to its star than the Earth is to the sun "always looks in the direction of its star. This location is to blame for the ever-increasing temperatures that have been seen on the exoplanet.

Last "Blood Moon" Eclipse Until 2025!



Image Credit : Twitter

A total lunar eclipse or "Blood Moon" that can be seen from Earth took place on November 8th. A total lunar eclipse happens when the Earth moves between the Sun and the Moon and casts its shadow across the Moon's surface.

It is an excellent opportunity for the whole family to witness a spectacular astronomical phenomenon. Also one could watch the blood moon without the use of any binoculars or other specialised equipment.

The totality of the eclipse lasted for a 1 hour and 25 minutes. Following this week's complete lunar eclipse, the next one won't occur again until 13-14 March 2025.

The ones with binoculars were able to observe the planet Uranus. People who don't have binoculars were able to view Jupiter and Saturn above the blood moon. This is because Jupiter and Saturn are closer to Earth than the moon.

Did you know Koo could be an alternative to Twitter?

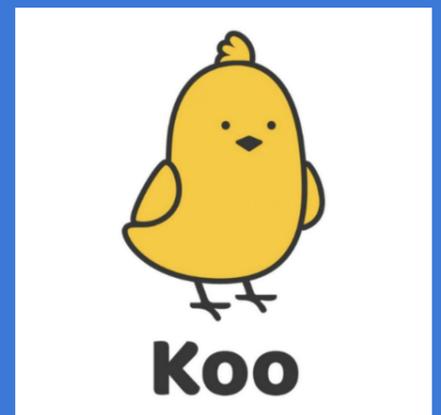


Image Credit : Twitter

The social network for languages, Koo, has been downloaded 45 million times. It is now available in almost all of India's smaller towns. Koo is a social networking and tweeting service that originates in India and is headquartered in Bengaluru.

In the Google Play Store, the app was also on the list of "Everyday Essentials" apps. Koo lets people talk in English, Hindi, Bengali, Assamese, Tamil, Telugu, Marathi, Kannada, Gujarati, and Punjabi, as well as these other languages. It is now available in an overwhelming majority of India's smaller towns. Koo claims that it can reach customers in over four thousand Indian towns and cities.

With self-verification, every Koo user has the chance to be recognised as a real voice. Its policies regarding the moderation of content have also been examined closely. According to the makers, Koo abides by all local regulations. The makers also claim that their content filtering process is in agreement with Indian laws. In addition, it combines both humans and technology to control online hate.

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SCIENCE & DISCOVERIES

Mosquitoes love to bite a select few!



Image Credit : Canva

Every human being might be a target for the female mosquito's search. Yet some of us get bit significantly more frequently than others. It's possible that the secret lies beneath our very own skin. This is the reason why researchers set out to investigate the leading theory to explain varied mosquito attraction.

Their study suggests that this is because of how skin bacteria affect how different people smell. A study shows that fatty acids from the skin may make a strong scent that mosquitoes can't stay away from. In the three-year study, the researchers observed that the disease-causing mosquitoes flew towards individuals whose skin produced substantially higher quantities of fatty acids.

The team also investigated the conclusion of their study with additional volunteers. They found that if the participants were a mosquito magnet, they remained a mosquito magnet. Experts feel that this study may encourage researchers to investigate additional mosquito species. It would be incredibly amazing to find out if this has a global effect," the lead researcher stated.

Pre-Islamic Christian monastery in UAE!



Image Credit : Twitter

On an island in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), an old Christian monastery is found. A monastery is a building or group of buildings where priests or religious figures live and work. The Christian monastery gives a new perspective on the history of early Christianity. It is the second monastery in the Emirates of this kind. Historians estimate it could be as old as 1,400 years.

The monastery is on Siniyah Island which is about 50 kilometres northeast of Dubai. The layout of the monastery makes it look like the early Christians who worshipped there did so in a single-aisle church. It looks like some of the rooms inside the church have a sacred font.

A second building next to the monastery was also found. It has four rooms and most likely was built around a courtyard. Historians estimate that it may have been the home of a priest. Even though most of the UAE is becoming more urban quickly, the royal family has kept ownership of the island. This has made it possible to excavate places from the past. The UAE Ministry of Culture is helping to pay for some of the excavation work that is still going on at the site.-

Teens' brains evolve differently!



Image Credit : Canva

Teenagers' brains who are early birds and night owls evolve differently. Your teen leaves their bedroom light on at 11 p.m. on weekdays. It's challenging to get them enough sleep so they can do well at school.

A study examines young teens' brains and behaviour when they get used to staying up late. Changes in sleep patterns were connected to behavioural issues, according to experts. Moreover, brain growth is also delayed. However, late-nighters have good news. This is because teens adjust their sleep patterns as they grow up.

The research also showed that previous emotional and behavioural disorders did not affect whether a teen became a morning person or a night owl. There is some good news for people who are naturally night owls.

According to the findings of our study, whether a person is a morning person or a night owl is not a fixed trait. We have the ability to adjust our sleeping patterns and preferences.

The Maldives' ocean floor holds a fresh "oasis of life"!



Image Credit : Nekton Maldives Mission

In the Maldives, a new "oases of life" full of hungry sharks has been found buried under the ocean. Scientists came up with the name "Trapping Zone" for an area near the deep-sea volcano Satho Rahaa. Satho Rahaa is an extinct volcano that is now a seamount with a diameter of about 28 kilometres.

Divers were able to figure out what kind of sharks they were by shining the lights of their submarine on schools of fish. The Nekton Maldives Mission sends submarines 3,300 feet below the ocean's surface to research and document their mostly uncharted depths.

The goal of the mission is to figure out how the region got its strange but strong ecosystem and how to better protect micronekton, whose food source, plankton, is in danger because of climate change. A micronekton is a group of organisms that are between 2 and 20 cm long and can swim without being pulled by ocean currents.

As per climate experts, If global warming continues at its current rate, by 2050, more than 80% of the Maldives will be unlivable.

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SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Taylor Swift reigns supreme on the Billboard music charts!



Image Credit : Twitter

Taylor Swift surprised her fans on October 21, 2022, by releasing her long-awaited album *Midnights*. The album debuted at the top of Billboard's top album chart.

Spotify a popular online music streaming application crashed for a few hours when Swift's 10th album *Midnights* came out.

The company said Taylor's album was listened to by a record number of people in a single day. According to Swift, her *Midnight* album tells the story of "13 sleepless nights" from her life. Thus there are 13 songs on the album. In addition, some of her earlier singles are also featured on the album.

As per music experts, the 32-year-old musician continues to have huge success. She also keeps her promise to re-record her first six albums in order to keep the rights to them. Swift's old record label sold all of her old songs. Since then, she has been a strong supporter of protecting musicians' song rights.

T20 Semi-Finals

Pakistan vs New Zealand!

Babar and Rizwan each scored 50 runs in Pakistan's T20 Semi Final triumph over New Zealand. Pakistan beat New Zealand by seven wickets in Wednesday's T20 World Cup semifinal.



Image Credit : ICC

Babar Azam and Mohammad Rizwan's 100-run opening stand eliminated New Zealand. Mohammad Haris finished the game before being caught by Mitchell Santner. This helped Pakistan win the match. Shan Masood's 20th-overrun won the game for Pakistan. Pakistan won by seven wickets.

India vs England!

England beat India by 10 wickets.

Jos Buttler and Alex Hales shone as they chased 169. England defeats India with strong performances from Jos Buttler and Alex Hales.

In the Twenty20 World Cup Final, England will face Pakistan.



Dubai Fitness Challenge: Citizens & Travellers Compete!



Image Credit : Twitter

The Dubai Fitness Challenge is an event that takes place every year. The event is all about health and fitness. The event is now in its sixth year. The goal of the Dubai Fitness Challenge is to do some kind of physical activity for thirty days and track for thirty minutes every day.

The goal of the organisers is to get people of all ages to have a mindset that is focused on physical activity. Thereby living active and healthy lives. The Dubai Fitness Challenge has transformed the city into a massive outdoor gym.

Some people get in their required half-hour of exercise before heading out to work. While others maintain their fitness by finding time in the midst of their packed schedules.

The locals feel that everyone sets their differences aside and comes together with the idea of supporting one another's ambitions. The people participating get to network and establish relationships with a large number of new people. The Dubai Fitness Challenge will run through November 27.

Which cheese wins the World Cheese Awards 2022?



Image Credit : Canva

At the World Cheese Awards, judges sniff and bite their way through nearly hour thousand cheeses. The winner this year is cheese from Switzerland, "Le Gruyère AOP surchoix". The judges at the contest had to rate cheeses based on how they looked, smelled, tasted, and felt in the mouth.

The best ones got gold, silver, or bronze, and each table of judges chose one as a "super gold."

After the initial rounds, Le Gruyère AOP surchoix from Switzerland was chosen as this year's winner. The judges said it was a "really refined, hand-crafted cheese." It melted on the tongue and had hints of herbs, fruits, and leather.

They also stated, "This cheese has a lot of flavour and fragrance." Gruyère is a hard cheese made from cow's milk that has not been pasteurised and has been aged. It kind of falls apart.

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DON'T MISS THESE

A young bird's flight across 13,000 km sets the record for the longest flight!



Image Credit : Canva

A young bird broke a new world record for a nonstop flight. The bird travelled 13,560 km from Alaska to northeast Tasmania. It reached Tasmania 11 days and 1 hour after leaving Alaska on October 23, 2022. The young bird was a "godwit".

The godwits are a group of small birds in the with long legs and have the natural ability to travel long distances for migration.

Birders say that this amazing effort, which was tracked by satellite, breaks that record. What makes this special is that this was a non-stop journey. So the godwit moved itself the whole way through by flapping its wings for nearly 13,000 kilometres.

"Godwits weigh at most maybe half a kg when they take flight," birders say. Thus they have to use those body reserves very, very well. As per experts this species is very small and has wings that span less than one metre. Therefore, researchers began satellite tracking of the species' migratory flight about 12 or 13 years ago.

An ancient tomb's precious contents amaze experts!



Image Credit : Canva

On November 4, 1922, archaeologists dug up the old tomb of King Tutankhamun. Here are some of the most amazing things that were found in his tomb.

The Face of Death Mask is the most well-known relic that was discovered in King's tomb. It measured 21 inches long and weighed nearly 10 kilogrammes. The mask depicts Tutankhamun wearing a vulture and a cobra on his headdress.

When Tutankhamun was finally laid to rest, both an iron and a gold-bladed dagger were found in his tomb. Experts say that the dagger with the iron blade was found in Tutankhamun's right thigh. Meteorite iron was used to make the dagger.

According to archaeologists, Tutankhamun's tomb contained at least four different types of board games. The boards and game pieces that were discovered in the tomb were fashioned of various materials, including ivory. The boards appear to have been built for "senet" and "game of twenty."

COVID lockdown woes in China are eased by Bappi Lahiri's song!



Image Credit : Twitter

Chinese protesters use Bappi Lahiri's "Jimmy Jimmy Aaja Aaja" as an anthem. Social videos show citizens holding empty containers and singing Bappi Lahiri's tune to mock lockdowns' food and water shortages.

The citizens have come up with a clever way to protest the policy by using "Jie mi, jie mi," which translates into "Give me rice, give me rice." "Zero-COVID" has shut down dozens of Chinese cities, causing problems.

China's censors quickly remove posts they deem harmful to the government, but this video has eluded them. After a virus epidemic and unsafe working conditions, Apple Inc.'s iPhone plant workers in central China staged a walkout. President Xi Jinping's zero-COVID policy requires city and town lockdowns and quarantine of adjacent residents if cases are confirmed.

All residents must be examined, except in Beijing. City residents with positive test results can't visit restaurants or markets.

Why people donate to charity has an interesting contradiction!



Image Credit : Canva

Chicago and New York researchers found a contradiction in charitable giving. If the homeless person holding the contribution cup is dressed in a professional suit, people are more likely to donate.

The findings show that pedestrians on crowded city streets judge a person's social status based on how they look and give them money based on that. Research has shown that our beliefs about other people's social backgrounds can affect our first impressions. Poverty can make people less empathetic and less human, which can make them feel even more alone.

According to the study, humans can figure out social hierarchies and where they fit in them by being able to sense the social class of others. As well as patterns of social perception that implicitly justify social rankings by showing the bottom as unfit or undeserving.

The main researcher says, "As economic inequality rises in many nations, the weight of dealing with its ill repercussions falls on poor or gentle individuals.

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FEATURE CONTENT

Porto, Portugal – International Travel Diaries!



Image Credit : Canva

Porto is a fascinating city in Portugal. It has historic buildings, beaches, bridges, gardens and more. So, let's learn about this European city today! Porto is on the Iberian Peninsula. The west part of the city is along the Atlantic Ocean.

A peninsula is a piece of land that sticks or juts out from one side and is surrounded by water on all other sides.

The Ribeira District is the oldest part of the city and a World Heritage Site. It has buildings from the time of the Portugal Kings, such as the Casa do Infante and Luis I Bridge. There are also many old colourful homes in this district with cobbled streets.

There are many beautiful buildings, towers and churches to visit in Porto. Take a river cruise along the River Douro and enjoy the Ribeira riverfront. You can also board a bus, tram, tuk-tuk and also a cable car to explore the city! Children love visiting the World of Discoveries Museum and Santo Inacio Zoo. One place that you must not miss is the Livraria Lello bookshop.

Churros – Eat Street!



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Today, we will read about one of Spain's best-loved snacks – Churros! It is a type of fried dough dessert that consists of long, slender sticks of flatbread that are either dunked in a rich and creamy Spanish hot chocolate or dusted with sugar.

It comes in a variety of shapes and sizes and is made up of flour, water, and salt. Churros are commonly eaten for breakfast or also as a Spanish afternoon snack called the merienda. Cafes, churros bars, street vendor carts, amusement parks, and fairs are some of the places that sell them.

It is not only well recognised in Spain, but also in Portugal, the United States of America, Brazil, and a number of other nations all around Latin America.

Its popularity in Spain is well known. In point of fact, churro toffee is officially the most popular snack at Disneyland in the United States. It is served with a sugary dip and is shaped like ears in the style of Mickey Mouse.

Guard – What's in a word!



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Pablo Picasso grew up in Spain where he was born on October 25, 1881. His father was a painter and art teacher. Pablo liked to draw from an early age. Picasso was a very famous painter indeed. Amazingly, at the young age of 9, Picasso completed his first painting. The name of the painting was Le picador, which was a man riding a horse in a bullfight.

Picasso had 23 words in his name. Generally, he was called by his first and last name, Pablo Picasso. Picasso's name is Pablo Diego José Francisco de Paula Juan Nepomuceno María de los Remedios Cipriano de la Santísima Trinidad Martyr Patricio Clito Ruíz y Picasso.

All other words in his name are the name of the saints, Picasso Nearly Died at Birth Picasso had a difficult birth. He was born too weak. As a result, the midwife thought him dead. Therefore she left him to go and look after Picasso's mother. His uncle, who was a doctor, saved him. Picasso's first word was "piz". It is short for "lapis" the Spanish word for pencil.

Asparagus – Healthify!



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Today we will read about the nutritional benefits of bell pepper. The bell pepper is also known as sweet pepper, pepper or capsicum.

Nightshade plants, which include bell peppers, produce fruit that is edible. They are linked to chilli peppers, tomatoes, and breadfruit, all of which originated in the Central and South American regions of the Americas.

They are delicious whether fresh or cooked and are a common ingredient in salads as well as other types of food. They are available in a number of colours, including red, yellow, orange, and green; all of these variants have a sour taste.

They are low in calories and exceptionally rich in vitamin C and other antioxidants. They are good for your eyes, bones, and skin and improve hair growth and health.

All in all, bell peppers are an excellent addition to a healthy diet.

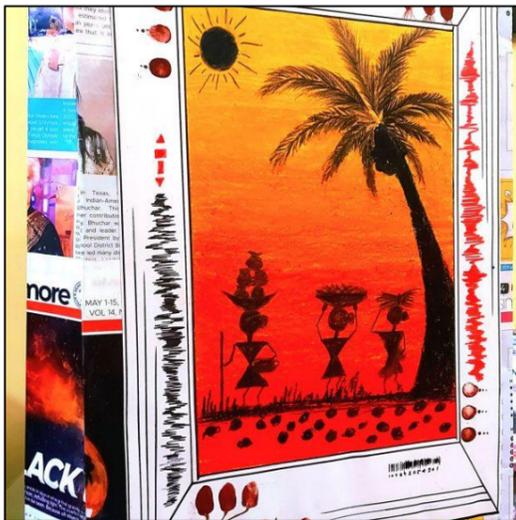
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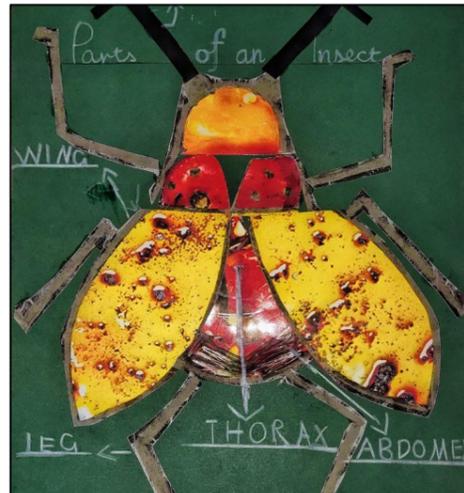
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A Son and His Father Walking On The Mountains – Story

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A Son and His Father Were Walking On The Mountains.
 A son and his father were walking in the mountains.
 Suddenly his son falls, hurts himself and screams “AAAhhhhh!!!”
 To his surprise, he hears the voice repeating “aaaahhhh:
 “Who are you?” He receives the answer: “Who are you?”
 Angered at the response he screams: “COWARD!”
 He receives the answer: “COWARD!”
 He looks at his father and asks: “What’s going on?”
 The father smiles and says: “My son, pay attention” and then he
 screams at the mountain.
 “I admire you!” The voice answers: “I admire you!”
 Now, the man (Father) screams: “You are a Champion!”
 The voice answers: “You are a Champion!”
 The boy is surprised but does not understand.
 Then the father explains, “People call this ECHO, but really this is
 LIFE.”
 It gives you back everything you say or do. Our life is simply a
 reflection of our actions.
 If you want more love in this world, create more love in your heart.
 If you want more competence in your team, improve your
 competence.
 This relationship applies to everything, in all aspects of life;
 Life will give you back everything you have given to it.
 YOUR LIFE IS NOT A COINCIDENCE IT’S A REFLECTION OF
 YOU!!

Life is Unfair: A poem on a tragedy called Love

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Uninvited guests,
 Banging at your door,
 Barging their way in,
 Changing your mood,
 Your personality, Your thoughts,
 Giving life to your world,
 A reason to live,
 Overlapping guests?
 Now that’s too cruel
 Life is so unfair...

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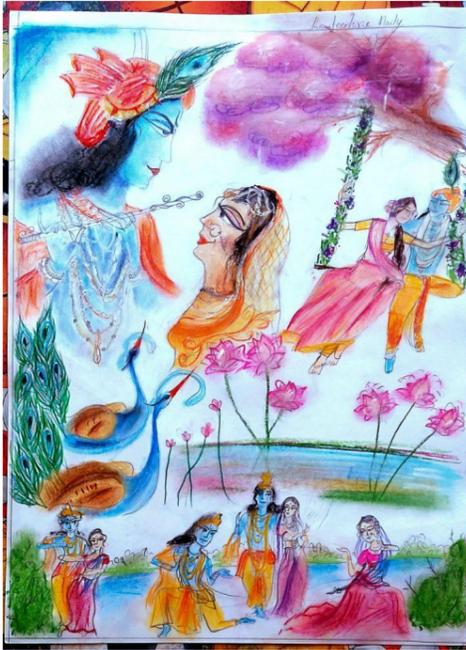
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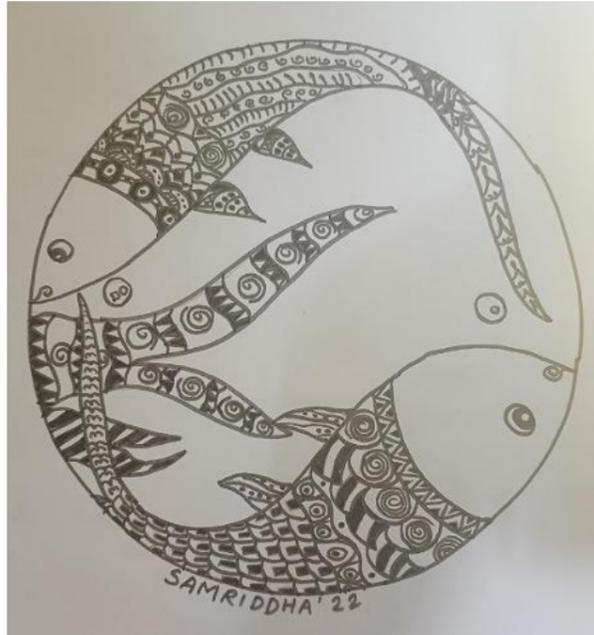
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Guru Nanak Jayanti

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Gurpurab, or Guru Nanak Dev Ji, is the Sikh community's most important and sacred festival, which is observed all over the world. Guru Nanak Parkash Utsav is another name for this festival, which is held on Guru Nanak's birthday. This celebration takes place every year on the full moon day in November.

Guru Nanak Dev Ji, the founder of the Sikh Panth and the first Guru, was born on April 15, 1469, at Rai-Bhai-Di Talwandi (known as Nankana Sahib), today in Pakistan.

Guru Nanak Ji had always been a spiritual person since childhood. He led so many people away from superstition and hypocrisy and showed them the correct path. Gurdwaras are decked with flowers and lights to commemorate this auspicious day.

The Akhand Paath of Guru Granth Sahib (holy book of the Sikhs) usually begins in the gurdwaras two days before Gurpurab. The Panj Payeras (five cherished Sikhs) with Nishan Sahib (Sikh Flag) lead the Nagar kirtan one day before the Gurpurab.

Hymns are sung in honour of Guru Nanak Dev Ji by groups of singers. Gatka teams perform Gatka (a Sikhism-related traditional martial art) and stage mock fights with their own conventional weapons.

Guru Nanak Jayanti

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Guru Nanak Jayanti is the most sacred and important festival in the Sikh community of India as well as across the world.

It is celebrated to mark the birth anniversary of the first guru of Sikhism and one of the writers of Guru Granth Sahib.

The birthday of Guru Nanak Dev is celebrated on the full moon or Kartik Purnima in the month of October-November.

Guru Nanak Dev is highly respected in the Sikh religion and believed to be the founder of Sikhism during the 15th century.

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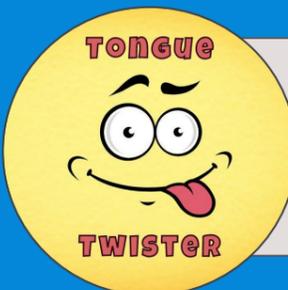
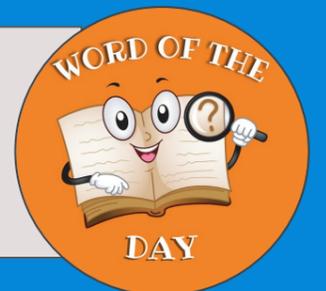
Q: Where's a wall's favourite place to meet his friends?

A: At the corner.

Eloquent

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having refined or expressive communication skills (in speaking or writing)



A big bug bit the little beetle but the little beetle bit the big bug back.

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