



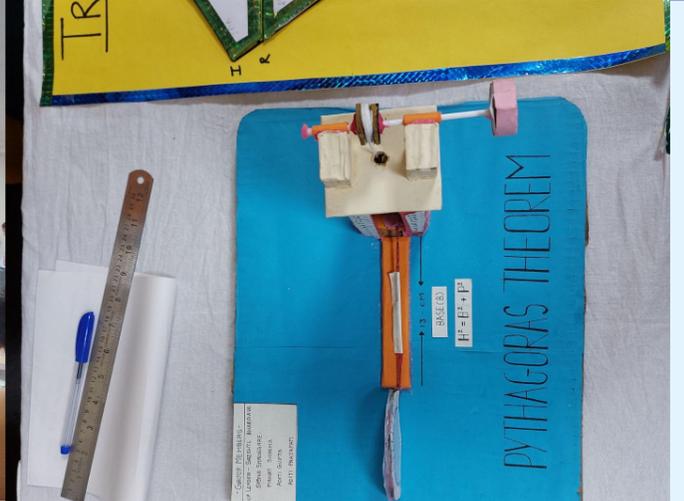
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WHAT'S BUZZING AT NCS GOA?



Dear Students and Parents of NCS Goa,

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

7th to 13th November 2022

Events and Happenings

An Inter House Basketball Match for Girls and Boys was conducted. Students participated with notable sporting spirit. Spectator groups cheered loudly for their respective houses. A recertification audit for ISO9001:2015 was conducted successfully and our school was recommended for recertification. International certification is worthy of praise as it instills confidence in the capable administration and management of the school. The Cubs and Bulbuls camp was organised by Mr. Nitin Chaudhary of the Hindustan Scouts & Guides Association. 134 cubs and bulbuls from classes I to IV were installed for the first time in Ncs, Goa. The chief guest of the closing ceremony was our chairperson Cdr. Richa Balli.

Cubs and bulbuls and teachers Mr. Bharat and Ms. Ana learned different types of claps, meditation, slogans, mind games, and songs. They were trained in tying reef knot, and clove hitch. CFD Workshop, FDP 23, PRT. General/ English was conducted online by NCS, Coimbatore. Resource persons from Bob's Banter Academy Robert Clements and Besty Rueben conducted exhaustive sessions on Grammar, teaching, and usage. Dare to imagine; a session where participants had to think of enhancement in weaker students, and motivation in the classroom. Using words to create images and build conceptual skills.

As part of Ganit week, math activities and a Mathemind competition were conducted for classes I to XII. A Webinar was organised on Application of Mathematics in our daily life by Dr. Vaishali Sharma. The newly inducted Scouts and Guides students attended a training session with their PE teachers. They learned a few songs, different types of claps, first aid, flag procedures, and reporting to the officer in charge, during the camp. A Quiz Competition was organised by Navy Children School, Goa in collaboration with Infynyt3d as a part of "International STEAM Day"





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MY EXPRESSIONS FROM STUDENTS OF NCS, GOA

Riddhi Singh
VII B



Jigyasa
VII B



Sabrina Khan
IV A



Keshika
V A



A FLOATING HOUSE

Jayesh Goyal
VII B

One day I woke up and looked out of the window. To my surprise, I saw that my house was floating high up in the sky. I quickly ran to my door and opened it. I saw clouds all around, I could walk on it. I jumped all around in excitement, I saw a big castle on the cloud with massive doors, it looked abandoned. I took it up as an adventure and broke into the castle. I found a big chest, opened it and found a mysterious potion stating, "Do Not Drink Me!" that made me curious. I thought it was magical. I decided to drink it. As I drank it, everything around me started vanishing. The Castle and the clouds vanished. I found myself in my garden. No one will believe me, but my day was magical!

SOME TINY LITTLE FACTS

Vanya khindria
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Babies have around 100 more bones than adults

Chalk is made from microscopic plankton fossils

Light takes 8 minutes to travel from sun to earth

The earth is a giant magnet

A flea can accelerate faster than a space shuttle

MY WHITE BOARD

Aarish Prajapati
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Hi! I am Aarish Prajapati. I am going to share something with you allmy precious possession My white board.

My mother gifted me this board. I was so happy. Now I can draw my imaginations on it. I made sceneries, drew park, swimming pool, houses, trees and many more. This is my friend to whom I can tell a story and it reflects that with beautiful pictures. I used to think and draw something beautiful on it daily.

Sometimes my mother gives me few maths sums, some new words to write on it, I do that happily too. My friend came with a marker and a duster. I keep them safe and handy. Once my art teacher taught me a drawing on Bhai Dooj, I drew that again on my board for my sister.

How is it? Do you like it?

Friends this is the story of me and my good friend, hope you like it.



MY HALLOWEEN LUNCH

Anshika Chauhan
VII B

The lunchbox jumped up and down on the table. There was no doubt that there was something alive inside in it. Once I opened it, I was shocked on seeing an entity in the shape of bread and butter, making scary noises, trying to get out the lunch box. I held my ground and did not let these naughty sandwich fly away. I was so hungry that I nibbled them bit by bit. Suddenly, my stomach growled and groaned. The Bread seemed to howl and say, "It's Halloween! How dare you eat us!" I was terrified. I closed my mouth and ran towards my home. I drank a lot of water and took a digestive to help me in devouring them. Thankfully it worked. What a terrifying day it was!!

THE DRAGONFLY AND THE WOLF

Aryahi Nair
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Once upon a time, there lived a dragonfly whose name was Cherry. She had blue wings and a long tail. She would fly over flowers and drink nectar. One day, when cherry was flying, she looked down and saw a dog. The dog jumped up and tried to catch Cherry. Cherry flew away. She said, "Oh my god, that was a relief."

One day the dog went to Cherry's house. The dog asked Cherry's mother, "Can I please play with Cherry?" Mother said, "Yes". Then the dog played with Cherry. He forgot that he needed to eat Cherry. He jumped again. Cherry said to her mother that the dog wanted to eat her. Mother said, "It is a wolf and not a dog."

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50-YEAR-OLD WOMAN BUNGEE JUMPS 23 TIMES!



A 50-year-old woman sets a new record by doing 23 bungee jumps in one hour. Linda Potgieter is from South Africa. She broke the record for the most bungee jumps in one hour. She accomplished the feat outdoors using a cable 20 metres or longer.

Linda bungee jumped on South Africa's Bloukrans Bridge. It is South Africa's highest bridge. The bridge is situated nearly 700 feet above the Bloukrans River. As per bungee experts, this was a physically and emotionally hard task. So it's not surprising that the previous record of 19 remained for 19 years. When she jumped off the platform and started falling into the river, her one-hour timer started. Linda was pulled up fast, so she hurried to the platform and jumped again. Linda's eleventh jump in 23 minutes proved that if she kept going, she'd likely smash the record.

Bungee jumping has provided Linda with a significant confidence boost as well as a means of overcoming her phobia. Due to the fact that she was raised in a number of different homes and came from a dysfunctional family. Linda's younger self was "very afraid," according to Linda's description of that time period. She went on to say that she came to the conclusion that she needed to engage in a recurring activity that would force her to confront her fears. Linda came to the conclusion that leaping out of aeroplanes and off of bridges was just what she need. Soon after she started, skydiving and bungee jumping became her two primary interests in life.

Bungee jumping demands a lot of physical effort. Engaging in the activity continuously for an entire hour requires a significant amount of abdominal strength. In addition to good cardiovascular fitness. Following the event, Linda thanked God, her husband and her kids.

WHAT'S INSIDE?

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Indo-American woman creates history in the US elections!



Image Credit : Nabeela Syed

During the US midterm elections in the US, a 23-year-old woman made history by becoming the youngest woman ever elected to the Illinois Assembly. She is also the youngest person ever to be elected to the Assembly.

Nabeela Syed is a Muslim, who studied at the University of California, Berkeley. She has degrees in Political Science and Business Administration. She was the president of a volunteer consulting group at the University of California that helped community groups and local businesses. In the past, she has helped raise money for a number of different organisations. She works for a nonprofit organisation in the digital strategy department.

Syed helps with many of the organization's civic engagement projects, like getting people to vote, and promoting gender equality. In addition, she is also very involved in her religious community. Moreover, she is a strong advocate for giving young Muslim women the power to take leadership roles. Syed campaigned on taxes, healthcare, education, and equal rights.

Sikh prayer books in the British military after a century!



Image Credit : Twitter

After a hundred years, the Sikh military is once again using prayer books. Sikh service members in the British armed services have been given access to daily prayer books for the first time in a century. Major Daljinder Singh Virdee, who serves in the British Army, has been advocating for this shift in policy for the past two years.

Sikh prayer books are also referred to as Nitnem Gutkas. At a ceremony held in London, the UK Defence Sikh Network distributed the prayer books. The British Ministry of Defense says that their goal is to make it easier for Sikhs to practise their religion.

The Nitnem Gutkas were moved in a vehicle that was made especially for moving Sikh scriptures. Major Singh Virdee has spent the last two years of his life working on this initiative.

He stated that for Sikhs, scriptures are more than just words. Instead, they are the guru's teachings put down on paper. Nitnem Gutkas, steel daggers, bracelets, and wooden combs were initially handed to military troops more than a century ago.

Chinese radar offers friendly countries assistance!

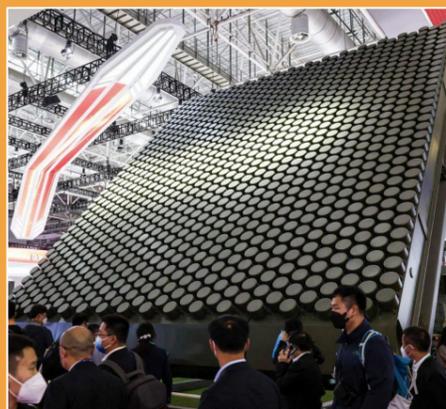


Image Credit : Twitter

The Chinese government is letting friendly countries buy a radar system that could make western satellites less useful for war intelligence gathering. Radar is a system for finding things that uses radio waves to figure out how far away, how far away at an angle, and how fast things are moving around the site. Radar can be used to find planes, ships, spacecraft, guided missiles, cars, weather patterns, and the land itself.

The SLC-18 can find and keep track of multiple low-orbiting satellites at the same time. Spy satellites need to be able to be tracked by armies so that troops on the ground can avoid being seen, act sneaky, or even take countermeasures like electromagnetic interference. This is because monitoring by satellite is becoming a more common part of modern war.

China has been working to make anti-satellite weapons because it thinks of space as a strategic battlefield. It also has interceptor missiles on the ground in addition to space-based systems that can find and catch satellites in orbit.

Large tech companies are asking employees to leave!



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The largest IT companies in the world are letting a lot of people go. Market experts think this could be because consumers are spending less, interest rates are going up, and inflation is making things worse. A layoff or downsizing is the temporary or permanent ending of an employee's or, more often, a group of employees' jobs for business reasons.

Analysts believe the end of COVID-19 epidemic drastically reduced demand. Pandemic lockdown forced everyone indoors. This boosted online shopping. A survey says IT companies over hired to fulfil demand.

People returned to work and the outdoors post-pandemic. This reduced online commerce involvement. Companies that believed user behaviour would sustain the pandemic bump are wrong. Signs of a worldwide recession are impacting demand for non-essential products. Since computer companies overhire, they laid off large numbers of workers to avert revenue shortages. Microsoft, Apple, and Google froze hiring in 2022.

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India's first 5G testbed!



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Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the very first 5G testing system in the country. Business owners and industry professionals might validate and test their products locally. So, they would have less need for facilities in other countries. The Indian prime minister said the 5G testbed will help the country become self-sufficient in cutting-edge technology.

With the first 5G testbed, local startups and industry players won't have to use international facilities to test and certify their products. IIT Madras was the driving force behind a collaboration between several institutions that led to the creation of a 5G testbed.

There were a total of eight different institutions that took part in the initiative. IITs (Delhi, Hyderabad, Bombay, Kanpur), IISc Bangalore, and others were also involved in the research.

People will be able to get to the testbed facility from five different places in the city. 5G technology aims to improve agriculture, health care, education, transportation networks, and logistics easier.

COP27 – India's plan to reduce emissions!



Image Credit : Twitter

India declared its long-term intention to move to "low emissions." On November 14, 2022, it shared its long-term strategy to go carbon neutral during the UN COP 27 summit in Egypt. Only 57 of the 195 UN (United Nations) climate pact countries have submitted a long-term plan by 2022. India is the latest member.

India's long-term strategy depends on the country increasing its nuclear power capacity by at least three times in the next ten years. In addition to becoming an international hub for making green hydrogen. And increasing the amount of ethanol that is mixed with gasoline.

The Indian Environment Minister stated that these steps are part of India's "five-decade journey" to net zero. Thus that implies that by the year 2070, India aspires to be carbon neutral.

According to experts, India's plan is flexible and will adapt over time. India wants to utilise electric automobiles. Through Perform, Achieve, and Trade, India wants to improve energy efficiency.

G20 Summit Update!



Image Credit : Twitter

On December 1, India will officially become the leader of the G20. The next summit will be held in New Delhi in September 2023. At the G20 Summit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that India will make the G20 an "agent for global change."

In addition, India's presidency of the group will be open to everyone and focused on getting things done. Modi said India leads the G20 amid uncertain times. Like economic slowdown, rising food and energy prices, and pandemics.

India is open, ambitious, determined, and action-oriented. Future generations won't develop without peace and stability, said Modi. "One Earth, One Family, One Future" is the theme of India's G-20 leadership.

India's G20 presidency will focus on getting more out of digital technologies. And closing the digital divide, especially in developing countries. Furthermore digital problems and multilateral financial institutions reforms would be significant priorities.

Indian Army's Pangong Tso patrol gets new gear!

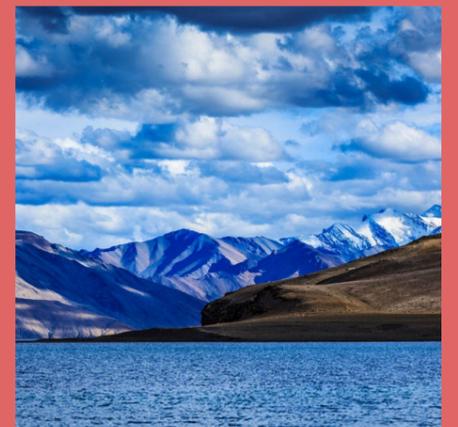


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In order to get ready for the Pangong Tso patrol, India built new docks and improved its speedboats. Pangong Tso, also called Pangong Lake, is a lake that stretches across eastern Ladakh and west Tibet.

The Army has set up more landing docks and speed boats to keep an eye on the lake. India has been working to improve its defence capabilities and develop its infrastructure. In order to catch up with the Chinese military's expansion along the Line of Actual Control (LAC).

According to authorities, speed boats can achieve speeds of up to 35 knots. The landing vessels have the capacity to take either 35 soldiers or one jeep along with 12 staff. India is home to a third of the Pangong lake which stretches over 135 kilometres. Both sides use speedboats to patrol, which often leads to confrontations between the two sides.

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Hubble captures a stunning cosmic tidal tail!



Image Credit : Hubble

Hubble found an interesting connection between galaxies about 200 million light-years away. The three galaxies are called "Arp 248." The three galaxies that makeup Arp 248 are small and interact with each other. They are in the constellation Virgo and are about 200 million light-years away.

A galaxy's tidal tail is a thin, long area of stars and gas between the stars that stretches out into space. Interacting galaxies are mesmerising to look at and interesting to study from a scientific point of view.

The Hubble image shows two of Arp 248's galaxies on either side of a third a much smaller galaxy. Because galaxies have gravitational pulls on each other, a stream of stars, gas, and dust connects them. The streams are called "tidal tails" by astronomers. When dusty galaxies and gas-filled galaxies come together, they often make tails.

Hubble will study this cluster of galaxies with odd interactions. This will help future study. It will also help astronomers save time.

The Milky Way has a "Zone of Avoidance!"



Image Credit : Galdeano et al.

Researchers have found a vast "unexplored area of space" hidden behind the Milky Way. The unexplored area of space is called the "zone of avoidance." It is a blank spot on our map of the universe. In addition, the space typically takes up between 10 and 20% of the night sky.

The light from the zone of avoidance is either scattered or absorbed before it gets to Earth's telescopes. The unexplained structure may be found roughly three billion light-years away from Earth. It has the appearance of a massive cluster of galaxies that are held together by a common centre of gravity. The study's authors found evidence of at least 58 galaxies bundled together in a small plot of the zone of avoidance.

Given the cluster's distance and barriers, it's hard to assess its size or mass. This big object's discovery suggests the "zone of avoidance" may not be as impenetrable as assumed. More infrared research, like the James Webb Space Telescope's discoveries, may help scientists solve the mysteries beyond the Milky Way's bulge.

Discovery of a black hole!



Image Credit : DESY

A black hole was discovered when it shattered a star. This may educate astronomers on how supermassive black holes form.

When the star seized the black hole, it sent a bright beam of light that astronomers could see. The black hole is nearly 850 million light-years away from Earth.

The Young Supernova Experiment is a Hawaii-based three-year sky study. The survey looks for supernova flashes. It helped determine the flare. This discovery will help researchers understand middle-weight black holes. Middle-weight black holes could make up most black holes in galaxy centres, study authors believe.

The recently discovered black hole is quite unusual because it is of an intermediate size. It belongs to a category of black holes that have masses that range anywhere from 100 to 10,000 times that of our sun. A better understanding of the population of intermediate-mass black holes could assist experts to validate their theories on black hole formation.

Are Twitter users flocking to Mastodon?



Image Credit : Mastodon

Mastodon is an open-source and decentralised social networking platform. It doesn't have ads. Also, anyone can download Mastodon, change it, and install it on their own server.

Open-source software is free software that lets users use, study, change, and share the software and its source code with anyone and for any reason. A decentralised system is a group of information systems that work together and are not run by just one person or group. The people who made the platform do not own the rights to it. On the other hand, if someone uses Mastodon's code to build a platform, they will have to give credit to Mastodon as the code's original creator.

Since Mastodon is made up of thousands of different servers, there isn't a single way to moderate content that can be used for the whole platform. Therefore, the content on each server is controlled by the people in charge of that server. They can make their own rules, which means that some ways of expressing yourself that are allowed on one server might not be allowed on another.

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Crows are way smarter than we think!



Image Credit : Canva

Scientists have found that crows can understand recursion or repetition. This is a difficult way of thinking about how things work. Crows are well-known for being smart. They can use tools, understand the number zero, and make simple comparisons.

In computer science, recursion is a way to solve a problem where the answer depends on the answers to smaller problems that are similar to the main problem. A new study shows crows grasp a challenging mental idea like toddlers. Researchers found that crows use recursion or repetition to find hidden pairs.

Think about this sentence: "The cat that the dog was chasing meowed." Most adults can quickly figure out that the cat meowed and that the dog was chasing it. At first, people thought that humans were the only ones who could match parts of a sentence or any sequence, like "cat" to "meow" and "dog" to "chase."

The results of a recent study, on the other hand, show that crows can also do this.

Blind eels astound divers at Cocos Islands!



Image Credit : Ben Healley

Uncharted Cocos Islands in the Indian Ocean held several surprises. Experts spotted glow-in-the-dark fish and old volcanic cones. The purpose was to study the local flora and animals.

Near deep-sea volcanoes exist several "spectacular" and "bizarre" sea creatures, like stilt-walking fish. Indonesia's Cocos Islands span more than four hundred thousand square kilometres.

Researchers say that the maps of this area show strange marine species and underwater mountain peaks. They filmed and took samples of the complex web of life around the small islands to learn more about it. About 5.1 kilometres below the surface, they found blind eels made of gelatin.

Expedition members say that they come in all sorts of shapes and sizes. With light organs or rays that have been turned into tripods or camouflage parts. The eels have either have huge eyeballs or no eyes at all. Each species has gotten very good at surviving in the harsh conditions of deep water.

Liquid skin leaves scientists puzzled!



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Scientists discover a strange phenomenon of Liquid Skin on the surface of the glass. It seems that it's not always true that ice is solid all the way through. It is possible for its surface to be covered with a coating of quasi-liquid atoms even when the temperature is much below freezing.

Premelting is when an object melts below its melting point. Crystalline structures, like those found in diamonds, quartz, and table salt, are made up of atoms that are arranged in a neat lattice. Scientists have seen surface melting on the surface of a piece of glass for the very first time.

The researchers used "colloidal glass." This apparatus floats atomic-glass-like glass spheres in liquid. The device allowed experts to watch glass spheres under a microscope. Surface glass particles travelled quicker than bulk glass particles. Surface density is lower than bulk. Surface particles have greater room to migrate. Glasses melt differently than crystals, the studies show. Scientists aspire to find better uses for this property and maybe even new ones.

Earliest signs of life discovered on Earth!



Image Credit : Canva

3.48 billion-year-old rocks are found in Australia. Scholars claim these rocks are considered to be the oldest known traces of life on Earth. They seem to be the fossilised remains of ancient microbial cities called stromatolites. Stromatolites have many parts. Thus, when these components are put together, experts can discover their formation processes and origins.

All around the world, billion-year-old stromatolites have been found. They are typically made up of laminated rock. These rocks are layered very thinly. In addition, their formation could have been caused by non-living chemical reactions between the rock and its surroundings.

A recent study done by scientists from all over the world shows that these structures were made by living organisms, not by non living processes. Finding the first signs of life on Earth can be a difficult task. When you compress a lot of bacteria between layers of rock and let them grow up for billions of years, you get something that is more like rock than it is like an old living thing.

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Messi's portrait on a basketball court!

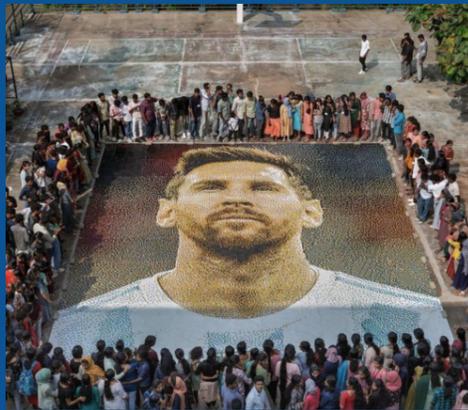


Image Credit : Twitter

Messi's image is painted on the basketball court, which serves as the canvas. A total of 280 chart sheets were used in the creation of the artwork, which measures 9.80 metres in length and has a width of 9 metres.

Lionel Messi or Lionel Andrés Messi is a professional footballer who belongs to Argentina. When it comes to football, Lionel Messi is notoriously difficult to contain.

Ajay V. John is a twenty-year-old man from Muvattupuzha, Kerala. John attended Nirmala College in Muvattupuzha. He says, he did not have an easy time pinning down a colossal painting of his hero on the basketball court of his alma mater.

During the lockout, he re-discovered his passion for drawing and used YouTube to educate himself on distinctive tactics such as miniature paintings and installations. Since that time, his drawing of Mahatma Gandhi contained within an eggshell has been included in the India Book of Records.

Team England are 2022 T20 World Cup Champions!



Image Credit : Team England

The Twenty20 World Cup 2022 was won by Jos Buttler and the rest of his team. At the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), England beat Pakistan by five wickets. Sam Curren, who plays for England, was named both "Player of the Match" and "Player of the Tournament." England won the ICC Twenty20 World Cup by beating Pakistan by a score of 5 wickets to 1.

After winning the toss and choosing to bowl first, England limited Pakistan's score to just 137 runs. Jos Buttler's team kept Pakistan to 137-8 with the help of wickets from Curran (3-12) and Adil Rashid (2-22). In response, England batted, but after three overs, they were down to 49-3. They were being attacked at a fast pace, which made it hard for them to get a foothold and find their limits.

But Stokes was the hero and helped his country win. But Stokes (52 not out) and Moeen Ali (19) used their experience and cool heads to help England get to 138-5 with six balls to spare.

The Mesoamerican roots of Black Panther's Namor!

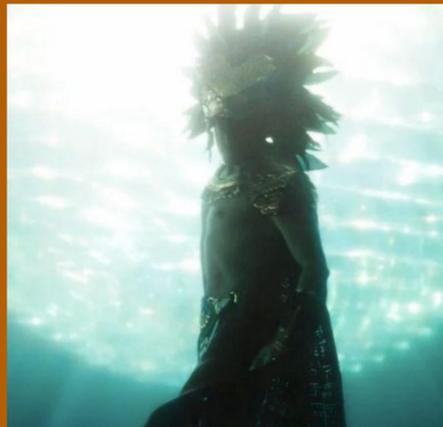


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In the Marvel movie "Black Panther: Wakanda Forever," Tenoch Huerta plays the role of Namor. Namor is neither a simple good guy nor a simple bad guy. He is the leader of Atlantis, which is an underwater country. He is half human and half sea creature.

Namor is in charge of Talokan, an underwater civilization with influences of Mesoamerica. An archaeologist who specialises in Mesoamerican cultures says that Namor has always been shown in different ways. Mesoamerican culture is a big part of Wakanda Forever.

Namor gets a new look, with points on his ears, wings on his ankles, and tight shorts. Namor wore a series of beautiful feathered headdresses that were made by an international award-winning costume designer. They got ideas from all of the ceremonies in Mesoamerican history. On some vases, they painted pictures of people in different clothes and headdresses. The most interesting thing about Namor's headpiece is that it refers to a name that his people gave him.

Mysterious artist graffiti inspires Ukrainians!



Image Credit : Twitter

Banksy is a graffiti artist who has not disclosed his real name. People know Banksy for his art, which is often displayed in public. A mural on a destroyed building outside of Ukraine's capital claims to be Banksy's work. The world-famous graffiti artist put three pictures of a gymnast doing a handstand.

The mural is painted on the remains of a building that had been torn down in a Ukrainian village (Borodyanka). The caption for this picture says that it was taken in Borodyanka, Ukraine. Ukrainians see it as a sign that their country can't be defeated.

Ukrainians think that the graffiti sends a message that "Ukrainians are unbreakable and so is their country." Several murals in and around Kyiv look like they were made by the artist Banksy. The graffiti was uncovered around the time Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky declared Ukrainian forces had retaken Kherson from Russian soldiers.

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Solar storms render stunning pink auroras!



Image Credit : Markus Varik

A solar storm was responsible for creating a temporary gap in the magnetic field that surrounds the Earth. This in turn caused exceedingly infrequent pink auroras. The uncommon pink auroras lighted up the night sky above Norway.

An aurora, also called the polar lights, is a natural light show in the sky that is most often seen in places with high altitude. The temporary gap in the magnetic field caused highly energised solar particles to go deeper into the atmosphere. This triggered the unusually coloured pink lights.

The brilliant auroras lasted for almost 2 minutes. The magnetosphere is an invisible magnetic field that surrounds Earth and is generated by the planet's liquid metal core.

Our planet's magnetic field blocks cosmic radiation. This shield is accessible at Earth's poles. This permits solar wind to enter Earth's atmosphere 100 to 300 km above the surface. The magnetosphere hole closed six hours after opening.

A Spanish village is up for sale!



Image Credit : Twitter

Would you consider purchasing an entire village? That is if you have ever entertained the notion of downsizing and moving to a more rural setting. The property known as Salto de Castro is currently up for sale. The asking price is nearly 2 crores. , It is located in the far north-west of Spain,

Salto de Castro is about three hour drive from Madrid. It contains many of the buildings that one would anticipate finding in a Spanish village of its size. The 80-year-old owner of the property indicated that he is selling because he lives in the city and "cannot manage the care" of the village.

Salto de Castro shares a border with Portugal. The village includes a hotel, a church, a school, a municipal swimming pool, and even a barracks structure that used to house the civil guard. There are a total of 44 private residences among them. It is part of what has become known as "emptied Spain," which refers to sparsely populated rural areas in Spain that lack many of the services that are available in towns and cities.

New bee species named after a dog!



Image Credit : Twitter

Dr Kit Prendergast found a new species of bee in Australia's Kings Park. The bee had a unique nose that reminded Prendergast of her dog. So she decided to name the new species of bee after her dog, Zephyr. *Leioproctus Zephyr* is the name that has been given to the newly discovered species of bee.

Prendergast teaches at the Curtin School of Molecular and Life Sciences. She had always harboured the secret ambition of finding and naming a previously unknown species of native bee.

Bees don't have noses, instead, they use their antennae to pick up smells. Prendergast said that the bee's strange face had drawn her in. When she tried to figure out what kind of bee it was, she found that it didn't match any of the species she knew.

"When a person finds a new species, they also get the right to name it," says Dr Prendergast. You can name it after something that describes it, a place, a famous person, or a person who is important to you.

China's 'Flying Submarines!'



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Chinese experts were able to test two submersible cross-media vehicles, which are often called "flying submarines." These vehicles can go both underwater and into the air, where they can fly. "Longbow 1" and "Longbow 2," come up from the water and take off.

Underwater Robotics at Harbin Engineering University is said to have made the two different vehicles. The flying submarines have wings. Also, they can dive to a depth of one hundred metres. After more than forty seconds of submerged navigation, the flying submarines went down below the surface of the water. Then they came back up, changed their flight height, and then took off.

China wants to make submarines that can fly so that it can get past its enemies' air defences. China is making a number of flying submarines, which are also called "transmedia vessels."

Researcher claims that these "transmedia vessels" are mostly made for the military. Furthermore, some of them can travel faster than the speed of sound.

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Tawang, Arunachal Pradesh – India Travel Diaries!



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Today, let's read about Tawang, a town located in the Eastern Himalayas in Arunachal Pradesh. Tawang was initially a part of Tibet. The earliest people who lived here were called Monpa. It lies very close to the India-China border, called the McMahon Line.

During the India-China War in 1962, the town was captured by the Chinese for a short while. But after the war ended, it again became a part of India. It is best to visit the town from March to October when it's not too cold or rainy. The winter months are very cold but also a good time for skiing! Many Buddhists live in the town.

The Tawang Monastery is the second largest in Asia. It also has the Golden statue of Lord Buddha. The people of the town are simple and friendly. The town also has amazing street food, such as Zan, Paratha-Sabzi, momos and thupkas. Tawang is a serene and quiet place.

Some of the famous places to visit also reflect the place's nature like Madhuri Lake, Sela Pass and Pangateng Tso Lake.

Saturday – What's in a word!



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We often associate Saturday with fun because it is part of the weekend when we can relax. In English today, the names for the days of the week come to us from Old English. This was the language spoken in England from sometime in the seventh century until about 1100 CE. The days of the week are also named after different gods and goddesses. So, who is Saturday named after and what is the history of the word? Let's find out!

Saturday' comes from the Middle English word Saterdag. This, in turn, came from the Old English word *sæternesdæg* ("day of Saturn"). However, these words ultimately came from the Latin word Saturnus (the name of the Roman god of agriculture). Saturnus (or Saturn) was the father of many other gods such as Jupiter, Juno, Neptune and more.

Saturn is also associated with Cronus in Greek mythology. Many religious traditions, such as Judaism (Jews), consider Saturday to be the seventh day and last day of the week. The planet of Saturn is also named after the same Roman god, Saturn.

Halo Halo, Philippines – Eat Street!



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Halo-Halo is a famous ice dessert very popular in the Philippines. It is also known as 'haluhalo'. The word halo-halo comes from the Tagalog language which means 'mix-mix' in English. This dessert is similar to a Japanese sweet named 'Kakigori'.

Japanese immigrants introduced the halo-halo dessert to the Philippines. It is a simple and delicious dessert which mixes ice cream, milk, fruits, sweetened beans and shaved ice. The dessert's first layer consists of many ingredients like sweetened beans, coconuts and jackfruit, cooked plantains, and lychee. Then shaved ice is put on top of it. The final topping is ice cream or mashed purple yam.

The dessert is a mixture of different flavours making it sweet but also refreshing because of the ice. Some people also add cheese, cornflakes, and chilli into the sweet mixture. It is usually served in a tall glass or a bowl. You can find it at almost every street cart, restaurant and resort. It is sometimes called the Ultimate Filipino Dessert!

YouTube's most-subscribed channel is MrBeast!



Image Credit : MrBeast

Jimmy Donaldson, who goes by the name MrBeast, gets his 112 millionth Youtube subscriber. He now has the most Youtube subscribers, though YouTube doesn't say exactly how many.

MrBeast is well-known for both his charitable work and his movies. In these short movies, he gives away huge amounts of money and other prizes. In 2021, he also started a YouTube channel that was all about giving to charity.

His charity channel now has more than 10 million subscribers. He even started a registered non-profit organisation that works as a food bank to feed people all over the United States.

MrBeast has also organised international collaborative fundraising campaigns known as TeamSeas and TeamTrees

According to experts, MrBeast has "mastered the skill" of generating fascinating content. It seems to content creators that every single second of a video keeps the audience captivated.

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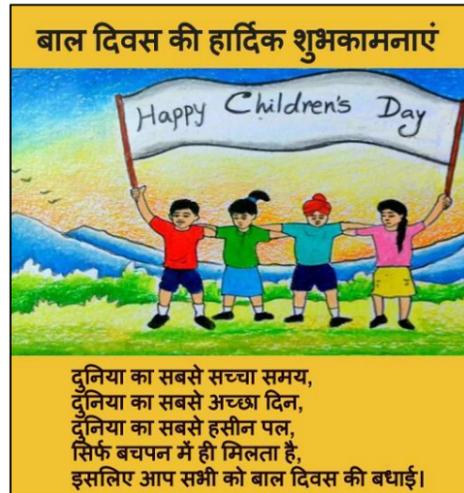
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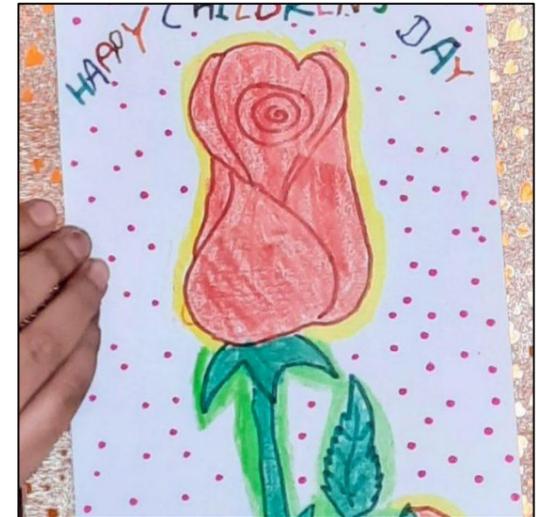
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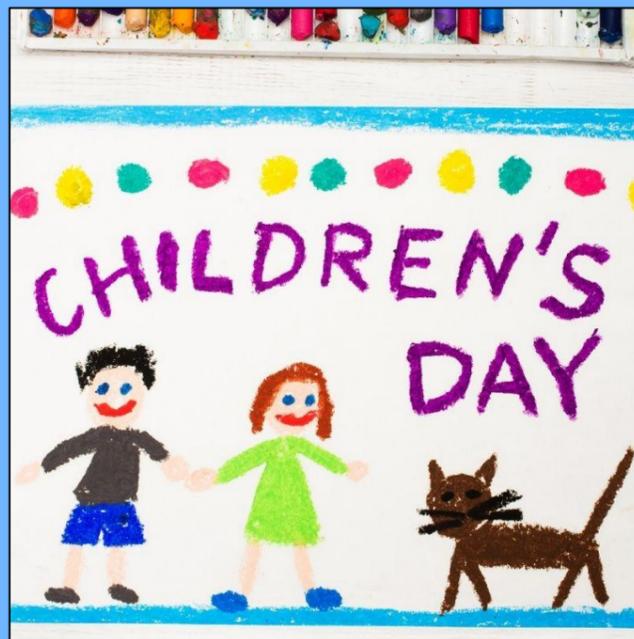
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Happy children's day

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Children's Day – 14 November

Happy Children's Day to all our Curious readers!

In India, we celebrate Children's Day (Bal Diwas) every year on 14 November. This day promotes awareness of the rights, care and education of children.

The date of 14 November was chosen as Children's Day as a tribute to India's first Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, whose birth anniversary is also on 14 November.

Jawaharlal Nehru was known as 'Chacha Nehru' among children as he was very fond of children. He saw children as the future of the nation and promoted universal primary education in India.

On this day, schools and other organisations throughout India organise speech contests, debates and other programmes to celebrate the day.

Jawaharlal Nehru (14 November 1889 – 27 May 1964)

Jawaharlal Nehru was a leader in India's Independence movement. He is considered to be the 'architect of modern India' and laid the foundations for a modern, secular, democratic Indian republic.

Jawaharlal Nehru is also considered to be one of the great statesmen of the modern world.

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SHANAYA CHAUDHARY



Poem – Once Was

MANNA MARIAM CHERIAN
 12, New Indian Model School,
 Dubai, UAE, Alappuzha, Kerala

There was once a time,
 A time where yours was joy,
 Life Devoid of negative,
 The time which once was yours.

There once was a life,
 Mine or thy was very peaceful,
 Without taint or stain elsewhere,
 Couldn't be the life eternal.

Where has the time gone?
 Where was the token that once was mine?
 Where lies the hidden life?
 Nobody but the one all high knows.
 Once was a time,
 Once was it mine,
 Once was it devoid,
 Eternal Once was.

Mediocrity Thrives: A poem

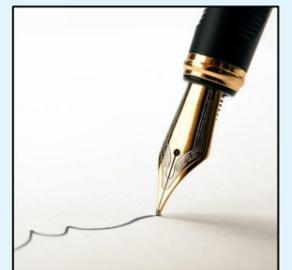
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Mediocrity thrives: A poem on the Struggles of Prodigies, and the current state of society

True talent dies
 If thee posses' talent,
 Expect ignorance, betrayal,
 Countless last-minute excuses,
 Two-faced rats.

Beware, don't be fooled,
 Or charmed by name, fame
 Fake it till you make it, they say
 Saddening truth it is.
 Reliance on others,
 A recipe for disaster.

Hidden gems,
 Hidden they shall be,
 From birth, till the end
 Finest of gems,
 Made under the highest pressure,
 Pressure from the surrounding,
 Resulting in being Ignored,
 Replaced by cheaper, faker...



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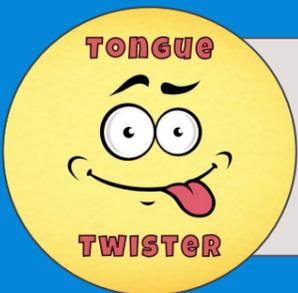
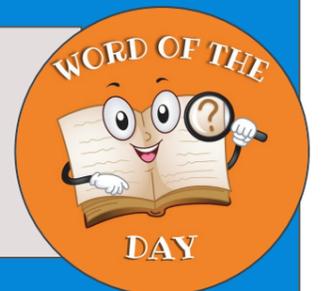
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Q: Why can't the elephant use the computer?

A: Because he's afraid of the mouse.

Entail
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to involve or include



**Thirty-three thirsty, thundering thoroughbreds
thumped Mr. Thurber on Thursday.**

**Success is not final; failure is not fatal:
It is the courage to continue that counts.**
-Winston S. Churchill



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