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## The Untouched Beauty of Dayara Bugyal

### Where Beauty Exists Beyond Reach

What if you were at Dayara Bugyal, standing at the edge of that vast alpine meadow? The crisp, thin air carries the faint trace of wildflowers—rich Rhododendron, gentle lavender, and the sharp, petrichor aroma of pine, the sky, impossibly pellucid, a stretch of azure above, dotted with patches of soft, drifting clouds. What if you had taken the long, winding trek through those narrow paths, over the golden-green grass hillocks? You would have noticed the hum of life.

What if you had seen the mules, their powerful forms moving rhythmically as they carried the burdens of the trek, jingling with each step of those bells, the sound of which echoed through the silence as a distant song? You would have seen the shine in their eyes, a silent resilience in the way they moved—almost as if they belonged to the lands, at home in

a place that feels both wild and serene all at once. And then there's the lake, nestled out of the way, like a forgotten treasure. What if you had stood by its shores, and the water was so still it perfectly mirrored the sky except for the occasional ripple caused by a grazing mule or the faintest flutter of a bird's wings?

The sun would have dappled through the trees and cast a soft, golden glow on the surroundings. It would have wrapped over you, the cool breeze brushing against your face, whispering secrets of this untouched corner of the world. And what of the flowers? The carpet of them, vivid against the green expanse—blue and purple forget-me-nots, delicate white edelweiss, and bright yellow marigolds, so bold in contrast to the mountain's rugged backdrop. What if you had bent over to examine their small, delicate

petals, marvelling at how they could survive in such an isolated, brutal place? What if, with the clouds creeping slowly over the peaks, the sun beginning to set, you sat on the edge of the meadow and felt your heart well up with something like joy—but full and somehow incomplete?

Then again, is the ache of silent regret at having missed the purest moments? What if you'd seen everything—the transience of the beauty of the land, the sounds, smells, little moments—and were longing for that one more glimpse, one more step into that untouched world? What if, by now, you were carrying a little piece of Dayara Bugyal inside you, somewhere deep inside, a memory that would grow with time passing? What joy you missed, but what joy you carry with you, always.

**-Swaani Salgotra, Grade VIII**



# Campus Chronicles

## ***Updates***

Dear Students,

We are excited to invite you to a Cyber Safety Seminar on Saturday, 30th November at 2:00 p.m. The seminar, led by a renowned cyber expert, will focus on how to stay safe online, recognize cyber threats, and protect your privacy in the digital world.

As technology continues to play a major role in our lives, it's important to understand how to navigate online spaces safely and responsibly. This seminar will equip you with valuable knowledge and practical tips to stay secure while using the internet.

We look forward to your participation!

Dear Students,

We are excited to inform you about a wonderful opportunity to showcase your writing skills and become a budding author. The National Young Authors' Fair (NYAF) 2024-25 is now open for registration.

Currently, we have only 20 registrations from Gyananda. We encourage you to participate and register for this prestigious event, where you can present your creativity and talent to a national audience.

Don't miss out on this chance to shine as a young author!

**We are pleased to announce the results of the recent Interhouse Futsal Tournament:**

### **Junior Futsal Results:**

1st Position: Sarojini Naidu House

2nd Position: Mother Teresa House

3rd Position: Kalpana Chawla House

### **Senior Futsal Results:**

1st Position: Mother Teresa House

2nd Position: Mary Kom House

3rd Position: Sarojini Naidu House

### **Junior Category**

Most Promising Player: Guntaas Kaur Toor

Best Player: Riddhi Srivastav

### **Senior Category**

Most Promising Players: Aashi Gautam and Priyal Singhal

Best Player: Mridusha Bisht

Best Goalkeeper: Anusha Maurya







# NEWS: Nerdy Exclamations about the World

## The Serious Stuff

### **1. K Sanjay Murthy, New Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India**

President Droupadi Murmu has appointed K Sanjay Murthy as the new Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India.

### **2. Dengue Surge Linked to Climate Change**

Dengue fever cases are at record levels worldwide, with studies linking 19% of the increase to climate change, which is expected to worsen by 2050. Predictions indicate a potential 40-60% rise in cases, with some areas facing increases of 150-200%.

### **3. Manipur on the Boil, Civil Society Rejects NDA Resolution, Sets 24-Hour Ultimatum**

As Manipur remains on the boil following a recent spate of violence, an umbrella body of Meitei civil society organisations has rejected resolutions passed by a meeting of NDA legislators and called for "concrete steps" against Kuki insurgent groups.

### **4. China Says It Stands Ready to Deliver on Modi-Xi Common Understandings to Improve Ties**

China, on Monday (November 18, 2024), said it stands ready to deliver on important common understandings reached between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping during the recent BRICS summit, leading to a thaw in relations that had been frozen for over four years due to the military standoff at Eastern Ladakh.

### **Deadly Car Crash in Dehradun: 6 Friends Killed**

Six friends tragically died in a horrific car crash in Dehradun, Uttarakhand, earlier this week. The group was returning from a party when their vehicle lost control.

The crash was so violent that it resulted in severe injuries. Initial investigations suggest speeding may have contributed to the devastating accident.

## Also serious but with wit attached.

All humorous remarks come from Simone Miller herself. Take wit as wit and let's not get the young lass cancelled!

### **Ravi Shastri Urges Team India to Move On from 0-3 Loss to New Zealand**

Ravi Shastri has urged Team India to move on from their 0-3 loss to New Zealand, likening it to a bad haircut—"it'll grow back." He advised focusing on the Border-Gavaskar Trophy, saying, "The Aussies won't care about New Zealand, just bring a plan and not a toothpick for a bat."

### **India Slams China's Claims on Arunachal Pradesh**

India's response to China's claims in Arunachal Pradesh was basically like saying, "Nice try, but no." The Indian Ministry of External Affairs slammed China's "absurd claims" with the grace of someone politely declining a bad dinner invitation. "We've noted your comments," they said, probably with a raised eyebrow, before adding, "but no, that's not how geography works."

### **Google Gemini: Finally, Someone Remembers Your Birthday**

Google Gemini will now remember things that are important to you—so finally, someone will remember your birthday!

### **Delhi Declared the 'Gangster Capital' by CM Atishi**

"Delhi has become the 'gangster capital,' says CM Atishi. Criminals have no fear of the law—guess they think it's like Delhi traffic: chaotic, but nothing ever really happens!"

### **"Taj Mahal: India's Secret Weapon for the 2036 Olympic Bid?"**

The Taj Mahal could be central to India's 2036 Olympic bid—because what better symbol of endurance and grandeur than a world-class monument that has withstood the weight of millions of tourists and countless selfies, all while standing tall as a timeless icon of beauty and resilience!



# Creative Construction

## They Don't Hate Your Coffee

They don't hate your black coffee,  
That rush of warmth without a veil,  
The kind that spills like midnight,  
Unfiltered, unspun, a tide of truth.  
But some lips, softened by sugar,  
Tremble at the taste of raw love.  
They don't hate your black coffee,  
It's just that chai has come easier—  
Milk-washed, a haze of spice and sweet.  
A world steeped in comfort  
Has braced them for hands that hold,

But not for hands that burn.  
They don't hate your black coffee,  
Though its edge cuts deep and sudden,  
Uncovering shadows, they've left asleep.  
They sip it slow, then pause, unsure,  
The sharp notes stirring echoes  
They've tried to forget.  
And no, they don't hate your black coffee,  
But love that stands bare and bitter,  
Unadorned by the softness of milk,  
Has left them blinking, shivering awake—

Their hearts, unaccustomed to heat,  
Hesitate before something real.  
So, when they pull back, leave you waiting,  
Know it's not that they hated the taste;  
They just haven't learned to linger  
In the place where sweet fades to dark.  
They don't hate your black coffee;  
They just don't know how to drink it whole,  
It's simply the first sip of truth.

***-Kirti Sah (Grade 10)***

## The Forsaken Desire

A big palace with walls of gold,  
Underneath lie stories untold.  
Live in peace if you obey,  
But fall to ruin if you stray.  
The walls of gold tainted by blood,  
A bird whose wings were hacked and cut.  
Scrub the red till nothing remains,  
And then come back with a happy face.

A secret only the forest knows  
Of the house with shining gold.  
The shine dazed the ones within,  
Unable to see above themselves.  
The bird that desired food and love  
Got herself wings of gold.  
The shine blinded the one who saw,  
But the weight made her flight a vanished cause.

The wings she sought no longer glow.  
A decorative piece for the world to show.  
She flaunts the given but not herself,  
Dyed in colors of others' scrap...

***- Daffodil  
(Pen Name)***





# Opinionated Editorial

## क्या राजनेताओं के लिए शैक्षिक योग्यता आवश्यक है?

जैसे कि हम जानते ही हैं - शिक्षा केवल एक डिग्री प्राप्त करने तक ही सीमित नहीं है। यह एक व्यक्ति की सोचने, समझने और निर्णय लेने की क्षमता को विकसित करता है।

शिक्षित होना एक मनुष्य के विकास का महत्वपूर्ण अंग है। तो वो व्यक्ति जिन पर हमारे समाज एवं हमारे देश के प्रशासन का दायित्व है, उनका शिक्षित होना और भी ज्यादा आवश्यक होना चाहिए।

असरदार एवं उचित नीतियों का निर्माण करने के लिए यह जरूरी है कि हमारे राजनेताओं को न्याय,

अर्थशास्त्र और नागरिकशास्त्र जैसे विषयों का पर्याप्त ज्ञान हो।

आज के समय में सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी समस्याओं के समाधान का एक बड़ा हिस्सा है। सार्वजनिक सेवाएँ अब ज्यादा-से-ज्यादा तौर पर इसी माध्यम से वितरित हो रही हैं। तो क्या हमारे राजनेताओं को सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी का बुनियादी ज्ञान नहीं होना चाहिए?

इसके लिए इनका शिक्षित होना आवश्यक है।

यह एक मानी हुई बात है कि शिक्षित राजनेताओं की अपने विचारों को

उचित तरीके से व्यक्त करने की क्षमता भी अच्छी होती है। इसलिए वे अपने क्षेत्र की जनता के साथ बेहतर संपर्क बना पाते हैं।

इन सभी उदाहरणों से यह निश्चित होता है कि राजनेताओं का शिक्षित होना उनकी क्षमताओं को और अधिक प्रभावी बनाता है। और इसका सबसे ज्यादा लाभ उनकी क्षेत्र की जनता, अर्थात् हमें मिलता है।

**-अदिति डंग  
कक्षा 9**

## अनेकता में एकता: भारत की विशेषता

अनेकता में एकता की पहचान है हमारा भारत इसीलिए पूरे विश्व में अपनी अलग पहचान रखता है हमारा भारत।

एकता शब्द स्वयं ही यह प्रकट करता है कि भारत में विभिन्न प्रांतों और सांस्कृतिक मूल के लोग एक साथ रहते हैं।

जिस तरह अनेक वाद्य यंत्र मिलकर संगीत में एक धुन लाते हैं और एक मंद मुख्य संगीत का जन्म होता है। उसी प्रकार भारत में भी विभिन्न धर्म एवं सांस्कृतिक मूल के लोग तो हैं

किंतु फिर भी हम सब एकजुट हैं, जो हमारी अनेकता में एकता के दुर्लभ दर्शन को दर्शाता है।

भारत एक धर्मनिरपेक्ष राष्ट्र है। धर्मनिरपेक्षता अर्थात् धर्म को राज्य से अलग रखने की अवधारणा। धर्मनिरपेक्षता का एक अर्थ यह भी है कि भारत के लोग अपनी इच्छा अनुसार बिना किसी के दबाव से अपना धर्म चुन सकते हैं।

अपनी इन विविधता के पश्चात भी भारतीय लोग एक ही माला के

मोतियों के समान एक साथ गूँथकर रहते हैं।

भारत में प्रति वर्ष विभिन्न धर्मों के त्योहार मनाए जाते हैं जैसे सिखों की लोहड़ी, हिंदुओं की दीपावली और होली, ईसाइयों का क्रिसमस और मुसलमानों की ईद, इत्यादि, किंतु इन सब के पश्चात भी हम सब एक हैं।

अंततः भारत की एकता उसकी विशेषता है, इसीलिए हमें इसकी अखंडता को खंडित होने से बचाना चाहिए।

**-समृद्धि सेमवाल  
कक्षा 9**



## Upcoming Events

### November 2024

- **28th & 29th November (Thursday & Friday)**
  - **Art Gala (Grades I-V)**
    - Quilling, Tie & Dye, Folk Art Workshops
- **30th November (Saturday)**
  - Circle Time: Confronting Bullies (Grades I-V)
  - Interhouse STEM Competition (Grades VI-VIII)

### December 2024

- **4th December (Wednesday)**
  - Counseling Session (Grades I-V)
- **6th December (Friday)**
  - Holiday (Guru Teg Bahadur Martyrdom Day)
    - All Grades

### **Attention Class 10 & 12 Students!**

#### **CBSE Board Exam Dates Are Here!**

The moment we've all been pretending would never come has arrived: **the board exam dates are officially out!**

We know you've been so *busy* mastering the art of procrastination, but now it's time to switch gears. The only thing that should be on your mind now is not what's trending on social media, but how to master that last chapter of math.

So, here's a gentle reminder: Your books are gathering dust, your notes are crying for attention, and yes, those exams are coming whether you've started studying or not.

Procrastination was fun while it lasted. But now, it's time to get serious—because the clock is ticking!

Let's make these exam dates the *start* of your academic success, not the end of your last-minute panic. Good luck (you'll need it if you don't start now)!

## Birthday!

**UKG - Wania Qureshi - 24th November**

**3A - Ananya Aggarwal - 24th November**

**4B - Adya Agrawal - 24th November**

**8A - Shivika Gupta - 24th November**

**2A - Aarya Chauhan - 26th November**

**5B - Shanvi Bhatt - 26th November**

**6B - Manasvi Chakravarty - 26th November**

**3B - Aaradhya Sehgal - 27th November**

**6A - Devyanshi Chauhan - 27th November**

**5A - Akshita - 28th November**

**7A - Falak Shah - 28th November**

**3A - Shanaya Saini - 29th November**

**10 - Anusha Maurya - 29th November**

### **MENU REVEAL!**

**POSTPONE ALL PLANS OF COUGH AND COLD AND BE SURE TO BE PRESENT NEXT TUESDAY!**







## Memes from The Bugyal





# Snapshots



*Tent of Memories*



*Let's capture the moment*



*Devotion born from the Heart's Desire*

## "Would You Rather"

- Would you rather get caught sleeping in class or singing loudly by mistake?
- Would you rather have all your friends with you but no scenic views, or amazing views but no friends on the trek?
- Would you rather write a surprise test every week or never have recess again?
- Would you rather wear your uniform inside-out for a day or wear mismatched shoes?
- Would you rather accidentally call your teacher "Mom" or trip in front of the whole school?
- Would you rather have to sing your answers out loud in class or do 10 jumping jacks before answering?
- Would you rather run out of snacks or run out of water halfway through the trek?
- Would you rather complete your IAYP excel sheet or do an extra lap around the school?(This one's from IAYP Captain ⚠)



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