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 Cashier  
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 Billing Clerk  
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 Data Entry Operator  
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Mr. A. R. Baker.

17th APRIL, 1997 (5.00 p.m.)

Air Marshal Tipnis Sir, Ladies & Gentlemen, Girls & Boys,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome all of you to our Annual Prize and Speech Day.

Air Marshal Anil Tipnis as you all know is the Vice Chief of Air Staff and thus is an extremely busy man. In spite of this busy schedule he readily agreed to preside over this function. I consider it a privilege that he is with us today. For those who do not know Air Marshal Tipnis passed out of Barnes School in 1955. He then joined the Air Force and by dint of hard work and outstanding ability he has risen to this coveted rank. He joined the Air Force in 1960 and while in service he has held many important appointments. Air Marshal Tipnis has served several fighter sqns based at various bases of the Indian Air Force from a young pilot till a Squadron Commander. He held many key staff and instructional appointments. During his training and service career he has been merited with the coveted Mazumdar and Noronha trophies and the Jamsataji Sword of Honour.

He also headed the Indian Air Force Project Team in France during 1983 to 86 for managing the induction of the Mirage 2000 into the Indian Air Force. Some of the important senior appointments held by the Air Marshal are : Assistant Chief of Air Staff - Inspections, Senior Air Staff Officer at Hqs Eastern and Western Air Commands. Before taking over as Vice Chief of the Air Staff on 1st April '97, he was the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the most potent operational command of the Indian Air Force - Western Air Command. Air Marshal Tipnis is fully operational on the Vampire, Hunter, the MiG 21 and the Mirage 2000. He has flown 25 other aircrafts including multi-engine transports and helicopters. He personally led the Republic Day flypasts of 1996 and 1997. Apart from his work the Air Marshal is keen and enjoys outdoor activity. He has won boxing and sailing

blues at the National Defence Academy. He also enjoys a game of golf, sails and plays tennis as well. He is a recipient of Param Vishisht Seva Medal, Ati Vishisht Seva Medal, Vayu Sena Medal and also been appointed honorary ADC to the President of India. Air Marshal and Mrs Molina Tipnis have three daughters all of whom are well settled in life. I regret that Mrs Tipnis is not with us today as she had some urgent work to attend to.

The Academic year for 1996-97 opened on 11th June '96 with a strength of 585 boarders and 536 day scholars of which 769 were boys and 352 were girls.

The I.C.S.E. results were declared at the end of May. The pass percent was 82.8. The number of students that were sent up was 58. I must congratulate Aditi Pandit for securing 95.3% in five subjects. Aditi has always been an outstanding student and has excelled in every class carrying away all the honours all the way throughout school and thus it was no surprise for her to do so well. However, there were still the large number of failures in Maths and Science. This is an all India weakness. The Council for the ICSE have decided that from 1999 examination Maths and Science will not be compulsory subjects. However, in the state of Maharashtra admissions into Junior College will only be given to students that do Maths & Science in class 10, as such all those doing the ICSE in 1999 from Barnes School will have to take Maths and Science.

We had the normal regular classes for 1996-97 even though there were extra holidays suddenly announced the teachers did their job steadily and conscientiously and thus were able to complete the various syllabuses in time. The results for the ICSE '97 is to be announced in the first week of June.

Mr. N. E. Frederick - the Chairman of the Bombay Education society passed away in the U.K. after a brief illness on the 17th July '96. He had been in this position for many years and had put in dedicated service always helping all those who had been in need. A memorial service was held in Barnes School chapel for Mr. Frederick on Friday, 9th August, 1996.

This year four students appeared successfully for the Trinity College of Music exams. They all passed with excellent results. I must at this stage thank Mrs. Archana Kurita for her donation of Rs. 15000/- for the repairs of our Pianos. We had a further donation of Rs. 7818 from Mrs. M. Cole, a music teacher in Australia. She is the wife of our ex-student and both husband and wife visited the school in January '97 with their child. My thanks to them.

Air Marshal Tipnis had earlier visited the School on the 6th July '97, on an unofficial visit. Some of his classmates also visited the school on that day. The Air Marshal had at that time also presented a cheque of Rs. 20,000. Thanks for the same.

#### Health

The general health of the students was good besides the regular cases of flu and mumps we had an epidemic of chicken pox and jaundice. There were a few severe cases of the latter. However, this period of anxiety passed after the two sisters had busy periods.

#### Water

The long awaited supply of water from the Cantonment Board to the school has finally started in March this year. There are still the teething problems but they are being sorted out. The main thing is that we have not faced much of a water problem this year. My thanks to the Cantt. Board for this.

The mention of water brings to mind another important point - the swimming pool. The earlier pool of which Air Marshal Tipnis, no doubt, has fond memories, is no more in a state to be used for many reasons and as such there is a very necessary need for a new modern swimming pool, and I shall take this opportunity to appeal to all present here and all well wishers of the school to please contribute generously towards the building of a new pool. It is a very expensive project and can only be achieved with help from all of you. The school is nearing its 75 years and the old buildings are also in need of repair.

#### Staff Changes

At the end of the year the staff that resigned were Mrs. B. Meshak - our girls P.T.I., Mr. R. Robinson and Mrs. N. Bains.

#### Retirement

Mr. D. M. Amle - our Hindi & Marathi teacher retired in August 1996 and unfortunately passed away shortly after retirement after a brief illness.

#### Appointments

The staff that were appointed for the current year were Mrs. T. Nanda, Miss R. Pawar, Miss S. Borle, Mrs. J. Gurung, Mrs. D. Fernandes (Matron) and Mr. A. Morant (Gen. Duty Helper).

#### CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Our activities outside the class are many due to the fact that we have a large number of boarders, both Girls and Boys and these children in the Hostel have to be kept busy. We have the space to have all the children playing many games as such the standard of games especially for boys is a fair standard. Here I wish to thank Mr. T. Bakshi, Deputy General Manager of IBP, who through his company IBP built a new Basket Ball Court for us. It is being well used. My thanks to Mr. Bakshi and IBP too.

The P.T., Gym and Karate was held on 5th August '96. The Chief Guest was Mr. Rahul Asthana - Divisional Commissioner, Nasik. The children excelled as usual and all present enjoyed themselves.

The Soccer season is always greeted with much enthusiasm. Selection of the team as always was difficult. We drew the Annual fixture against St. Peter's School, Mazagaon. However, we lost in the Semi Finals of the Maharashtra Anglo-Indian Schools Tournament held in Panchgani.

The Annual Athletic Meet was held on 8th November '96. The Chief Guests were Brig. & Mrs. P. Bhatia. Mrs Bhatia is also an ex-student of this school and so were their children. Most events were closely contested and the Bhatias spent a relaxed and enjoyable evening at Barnes.

The Annual School Play - the Mouse Trap - was staged on the 30th November, '96. Lt. Gen. Vinay Shankar, Commandant, School of Artillery was the Chief Guest and complimented the cast and the Directors of the Play for an excellent performance.

The School Cricket Team travelled to Bombay and played a number of Matches against St. Xaviers ex-students and against Christ Church School, Byculla. We won all the matches convincingly.

In the Annual Inter School Basket Ball Match against St. Peters School, Mazagaon, our girls lost. However, the boys won the Hockey quite convincingly. Mr. Adi Irani, an ex-student of around

about the same Vintage as Air Marshal Tipnis, was the Chief Guest. He later donated 1000 Pounds.

The Inter House Boxing always draws loud cheers and this year all the bouts were very closely contested. However, there is not much scope for more exposure for our Boxers as no other schools have Boxing anymore.

The Junior School Concert again drew large crowds of Parents and all present enjoyed two hours of pure talent on the stage. Each item was loudly applauded.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all members of Staff for their combined effort in making the Academic Year 1996-97 a successful one.

I would also like to thank the members of the School Executive Committee for their guidance and advice through out the Year.

Thank You !

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#### A Mother's Love

Some day when my children are old enough to understand the logic that motivates a Mother, I will teach them :

I loved you enough to ask you about where you were going, with whom and what time you would get home.

I loved you enough to insist that you buy with your own money a bike that we could afford to give you.

I loved you enough to make you return a Milky-bar - with a bit out of it - to a dairy and to confess : " I stole this."

I loved you enough to stand over you for two hours while you cleaned your room, a job that would have taken me only 15 minutes.

I loved you enough to let you see anger, disappointment, disgust and tears in my eyes.

I loved you enough to admit I was wrong and ask for your forgiveness.

I loved you enough to let you stumble, fall and hurt.

But most of all, I loved you enough to say NO even when you hated me for it. That was the hardest part of all.

Author unknown

## SCHOOL SONG

### ONWARD BARNES !

1. Hear our loyal anthem, as we make it rise  
To our School, with all our might ;  
Barnes has reared us, taught us all the good we prize,  
Here we've learned what's true and right.

#### Chorus :

Onward Barnes ! Upward Barnes !  
Shall be our watchword and our aim.  
Till the echoes ring, let us sing  
To your honour, praise and fame.

2. Awkward cubs we were when first we came to School  
Often grimy, spoilt and slack;  
Heavy was the way till we had learnt the rule.  
Learnt to know and keep the track.

3. Grown we are in stature, strong we are in mind,  
Now we see they nobly live  
That forsake vain glory, gentle are and kind,  
Ever strive their best to give.

4. Comes the time for parting, onward we must go,  
Face the world as men at length,  
But we will remember all the school we owe,  
May she grow from strength to strength.

#### Chorus:

Onward Barnes ! Upward Barnes !  
Shall be our watchword and our aim.  
Till the echoes ring, let us sing  
To your honour, praise and fame.

## *In Memoriam*



8.3.1919 - 17.7.1996

**Mr. Norman E. Frederick**  
( Norvicson Advertising )

**President** - All-India Anglo Indian Association  
**Chairman** - Bombay Relief Association  
**Vice-President** - Bombay Education Society

*"Never a selfish thought crossed his mind, always generous, humorous and kind, happy and smiling always content, loved by all wherever he went."*

May his soul rest in peace.

## IN MEMORIUM MR. NORMAN E. FREDRICK

Born : 8.3.1919

Expired : 17.7.1996

Mr. Norman E. Frederick who joined the Bombay Education Society Board as a Director on the 27th November, 1965, served the Society in the capacity of both Vice-President and Chairman of Barnes School and Christ Church School since 1974. He worked tirelessly for the upliftment of the poor and always offered a helping hand to those in need.

Mr. Frederick was particularly interested in the welfare of Barnes. He spared no effort in standing by the Institution whenever in need and overcoming any crisis that may have arisen. His concern and well-being for others; especially the poorer section knew no bounds.

Mr. Frederick always helped the poor Anglo-Indian children with scholarships and other requirements while in school and college. Through him many young teachers were sent for their training and are well placed in many schools. As he was the President of the Association, he helped not only the poor but the entire Community never looking back for any returns nor even a thanks. His ever helpful and understanding attitude gave hope to many Anglo-Indian children and families who will remember him very fondly for all the good that he did.

Mr. Frederick will always be remembered with affection as his untimely passing away has left a sudden void in the hearts of all who knew him - which indeed has been an irreplaceable loss to the Society in General and to Barnes in particular !



THE BOMBAY EDUCATION SOCIETY

Barnes High School, Deolali and Christ Church High School, Byculla.

The Crest of the Society and its Schools

From the College of Arms, London, we have obtained the following complete and authentic description.

It is a combination of the crest of Archdeacon Barnes, our Founder, on the left side, and that of his wife, who belonged to the Carnac family, on the right. On the left is a blue shield with the faces of three white leopards and on the right, four quarters alternately white and blue with crossed swords, three five pointed stars and a crescent. The swords are in their natural steel colour with the points upwards. The stars are blue over the white quarters and white over the blue. Similarly three crescent is white and blue. The bird is white falcon with golden beak and legs. It is standing on a green mount with six alternate twists of white and blue underneath. The motto, in Latin, can be translated, "I shall arise with the strength I have received." This has a three-fold significance. In our school days and after, we rise to ever greater heights, fortified with the strength of body, mind and spirit which we have gained while in school.

## HISTORICAL SKETCH

Just about a hundred years ago people began to think education for their children should be provided by Government. Before that there were schools for the rich. For the poor there were very few schools and those were mostly provided by the Church and charitable people. In the early 1700's many such schools were established in England. So it was that when the Rev. Richard Cobbe was appointed Chaplain to the Honourable East India Company's Factory at Bombay, he founded in 1718, in a building not far from the present Cathedral of St. Thomas in the Fort, a small free school where twelve poor boys were housed, clothed, fed and educated by just one master. That Charity school was the grain of mustard seed from which the mighty tree of Barnes has sprung.

A hundred years passed by. Another East India Company Chaplain, the Venerable Archdeacon George Barnes, realised that the Charity School could not possibly meet the needs of the hundreds of children then without any education. So he appealed for funds and started the Bombay Education Society in 1815, the oldest Society in the city interested in the welfare and upbringing of children. The first, small school was taken over. Numbers grew rapidly until it was apparent that new grounds and school buildings were essential. A large airy site at Byculla was given by Government. This time the girls were also provided for. New school buildings were opened in 1825. One of the copper plates commemorating the opening is now on the wall of Evans Hall, Devlali. The other remains with Christ Church School, Byculla, which with the parish church there, stands on part of the land given originally to the B.E.S. Much of the land was later sold to help build Barnes.

The B.E.S. Schools, as they were popularly known, were primarily boarding Schools for Anglo-Indians, boys and girls, mainly belonging to the Anglican Church. However, day-scholars were admitted and they were of all castes and creeds. For another hundred years there seems to have been little change. Then in the early 1930's the B. E. S. amalgamated with the Indo-British Institution which had been founded by the Rev. George CANDY, about 1837. Byculla was by then crowded and unhealthy. Plans, initiated by Sir Reginald Spence and Mr. Haig-Brown, to move the Boarding part of the schools away from Bombay to the cooler and healthier Deccan Plateau began to take shape. A site of more than 250 acres at Devlali was purchased. On November 17, 1923, Sir George Lloyd laid the Foundation stone of Evans Hall. Less than two years later, January 29, 1925, a special train brought the first boarders to Devlali. With old time ceremony, in the presence of many distinguished guests, Barnes was declared open by Sir Leslie Wilson, Governor of Bombay and patron of the Bombay Education Society.

This short historical sketch explains much of the present Barnes. It is still primarily, a place where the poor Anglo-Indian children of the Anglican and Protestant Churches can be given a good upbringing and sound education. It is still a Church school where Christian ideals are practised and imparted. It is a boarding school, the largest in Western India. It has a long, proud record of service to the community going back 250 years. More has been added over the years and more still will be added in the future. The memory of founders and benefactors is preserved in the names of the buildings : Barnes, Candy, Spence, Haig-Brown, Lloyd. Other names are remembered. Greaves House is named after Sir John Greaves, prominent Bombay business man of the firm of Greaves Cotton, Director of the Bombay Education Society from 1930 and Chairman of its Managing Committee from 1939 to 1949. Royal House commemorates Harry Royal, an old boy of the B.E.S. school from the years around 1900 to 1910 who became an important officer of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Honorary Treasurer of the B. E. S. for many years. One name is yet to come - the greatest of them all, the Rev. Thomas Evans, familiarly but not irreverently, Tom Evans or just Tom. After being Headmaster at the old schools at Byculla since 1910, he became the first Headmaster of Barnes, without whom it would probably not have survived its early years. His portrait hangs in Evans Hall which was named in memory of him when he retired in 1934.

**THE SEVENTY-SECOND  
ANNUAL PRIZE-GIVING  
April 17th 1997 at 5.00 p.m.**

**Chairman : Air Marshal Anil Y. Tipnis**  
(Vice Chief of Air Staff, PVSM, AVSM, VM, ADC.)  
Mrs. Molina Tipnis has kindly consented to give the prizes.

**Programme**

1) Opening Prayer	The Principal
2) The Lord's Prayer	The School Choir
3) Thanksgiving Hymn	All present
4) The Annual Report	The Principal
5) Kum Ba Yah	The School Choir
6) Address	The Chairman
7) The Gentle Sounding Flute	The School Choir
8) Distribution of Prizes	Mrs. Molina Tipnis
9) Vote of Thanks	The Vice Principal
10) "Onward Barnes"	The School

**CLASS PRIZES FOR 1996-97**

Class	Gen. Proficiency	Application & Progress				
Prep A	A. Gurung & D. Kalani	G. Dinger	[Conscientious Work]	D. Sharath	[Helpfulness]	R. Redden
Prep B	D. Yadav & D. Jackson	S. Patil	[Conscientious Work]	H. Bains	[Helpfulness]	S.Chaddha
1A	A. Roy & V. Sorab	A. Thakkar	[Conscientious Work]	Y. Trivedi	[Neatness & Handwriting]	P. Sonawane
1B	N. Sharma & D. Thapa	N. Kumar	[Neatness]	K. Wadmare	[Helpfulness]	S. Prasad
1C	R. Halde & A. Yadav	N. Bhalerao	[Conscientious Work]	D. Baig	[Neatness & Responsibility]	T. Vidhale
2A	R. Chinoy & A. Khandelwal	A. Babu	[Conscientious Work]	S. Mazumdar	[Helpfulness]	G. Dinger
2B	M. Koloti & S. Gaikwad	V. Nagwani	[Hand Writing]	M. Sumra	[Helpfulness & Good Conduct]	K. Kothawala
2C	N. Jha & R. Shreyas	T. Negi	[Conscientious Work]	B. Khan	[Helpfulness]	V. Nair
3A	I. Kovoor & R. Gadkari	H. Madnani	[General Improvement]	D. D'Souza	[Conscientious Work]	S. Nanda
3B	M. Mishra & P. Gangwani	D. Kaur	[Conscientious Work & good Conduct]	P. Nagwani	[Helpfulness]	D. Nagar
3C	A. Kanal & T. Thomas	S. Mullick	[Conscientious Work]	P. Motwani	[Responsibility]	Z. Khan
4A	A. K. Arun & N. Pilkhwal	V. Pawar	[Conscientious Work]	D. Irani	[Consistent Hardwork]	R. Ratnaparkhi
4B	S. Kenny & P. Pabitwar	I. Hamed	[Consistent H. Work]	A. Chawla	[Perseverance & Helpfulness]	N. Karande
4C	I. Shaikh & R. Mulla	Y. Budhwar	[Neatness & Helpfulness]	P. Kukreja	[Conscientious Work]	R. Singh

Classes	First	Second	Third	Languages	Soc. Studies
5A	S. Madnani	J. Singh	R. Chinoy	R. Chinoy	S. Madnani
5B	D. Joshi	S. Bholim	D. Memon	D. Joshi	J. Patel
5C	P. Shekhavat	M. Singh	R. Tiwari	A. Nanda	M. Singh

Classes	First	Second	Maths & Sc.	Languages	Social Studies
6A	R. Wen	A. Pallavi	R. Wen	A. Pallavi	R. Pawar
6B	S. Gupta	P. Singh	S. Srivastava	A. Dere	S. Gupta
6C	R. Sachdeva	R. Oberoi	R. Oberoi	R. Sachdeva	A. Sharma
7A	P. Chattopadhyay	S. Gajwani	C. D'Souza	P. Chattopadhyay	S. Gajwani
7B	P. Gupta	M. Chandnani	P. Gupta	M. Chandnani	R.Gade
7C	P. Singh	D. Sharma	D. Sharma	P. Singh	S. Ray
8A	A. Rai	P. Bhadkamkar	A. Rai	P. Bhadkamkar	S. Bhowmick
8B	B. Saha	B. Wadhwa	B. Saha	J. Jha	B. Wadhwa
8C	J. Sachdeva	R. Likhi	J. Sachdeva	N. Yadav	R. Likhi
9A	H. Madon	P. Takle	P. Takle	H. Madon	J. Chandnani
9B	P. Ranjita	B. Fernandez	P. Ranjita	B. Fernandez	P. Hyalij
9C	N. Pandey	N. Tiwari	N. Pandey	K. Yadav	N. Tiwari
10A	R. Pilkhwal	S. Ray	R. Pilkhwal	S. Rekhi	S. Ray
10B	G. Ahuja	M. O'Connor	G. Ahuja	A. Mujumdar	M. O'Connor

**SPECIAL PRIZES**

Prize	Junior	Middle	Senior
Cherian Art	Mel. Macdonald	A. Bahauddin	W. Taylor
Ferguson English	R. Sachdeva	A. Rai	R. Pilkhwal
Divinity	R. Wen	A. Patel & A. Dutt	
Moral Instruction	S. Gupta	R. Likhi	
General Knowledge	R. Oberoi	J. Sachdeva	
Elocution (Girls)	N. Pereira		M. O'Connor
Elocution (Boys)	R. Wen		R. Spitz & M. Moghe
Singing (Girls)	K. Smith		S. Dasgupta
Singing (Boys)	A. Hodges		W. Taylor
School Play			D. Mansey
Music	S. Gurung	M. Kurita	L. Pachuau
Needle Work		P. Gupta	N. Karampurwala
Boy's Craft			Sar Shaikh
Economics			M. O'Connor
Biology			R. Pilkhwal
Computer Studies		M. Chandnani	R. Pilkhwal
Elsie Perkins Memorial ( Eng Prize For girls of Std. IX )			P. Ranjita
Glynne Howell Debating			M. O'Connor
Rotary Shield Maths			R. Pilkhwal
Shivde Marathi		M. Shirsath	
Kennelly Medal			R. Pilkhwal
Special Prize for all Round Performance			D. Bose

### GENERAL PRIZES

#### Prizes

School Captain  
Best Boarder Prefect  
Best Day Scholar Prefect  
Thomson Award (Best in ICSE 95-96)  
Sir Roger Lumley Medal

#### Girls

S. Dasgupta  
S. Tamang  
M. O'Connor  
A. Pandit  
S. Tamang

#### Boys

W. Taylor  
J. Mathew  
R. Pilkhwal  
R. Pilkhwal

### SPORTS PRIZES FOR GIRLS

Hockey	V. Sangar	Basketball	M. Gough
Table Tennis	M. D'Souza	Throwball	K. Fernandez
Softball	S. Ahire	Guides	Unit one Daffodils & Tulips
Badminton	A. Shaikh	Sportswoman (96-97)	M. Gough

### INTER HOUSE TROPHIES FOR GIRLS

Badminton	J.A.	Blanden Cup-Throwball	J.A.
Basketball	J.A.	Marshall Cup - P.T.	J.A.
Lilly Cup-Hockey	H.K.	Tayebally Study Cup	E.C.
Wilson Cup-Athletics	J.A.	Keily Shield (Best-)	
Hoffman Cup-Table Tennis	J.A.	All round House 96-97)	J.A.
Softball	J.A.		

### Sports Prizes for Boys

Forward Cup - Hockey	Max. Macdonald	Forward cup - Football	W. Taylor
Rowlandson Cup - Cricket	Sar. Shaikh	Hoffman Cup - Table Tennis	A. Patel
Junior Gymnast	S. Iqbal	Senior Gymnast	M. H. Rain
Cub Six		Scout Patrol	
Volleyball	Sar. Shaikh	Easdon Cup - Sportsman 96-97	W. Taylor
Basketball	R. Pilkhwal		

### Inter-House Trophies for Boys

Moore Cup - Hockey	Greaves	Supt. Down Cup - Boxing	Candy
Hoffman - Cup	Greaves	Ashton Cup - Football	Candy
Spokes Cup - Cross Country	Spence	Riley Cup - Cricket	Spence & Candy
Cup for P.T.	Candy	Henry Down Cup - Athletics	Candy
Volleyball Cup	Candy	Blanden Shield - Study	Candy
Blanden Cup - Basketball	Spence	Hodge Shield - Best All Round House 96-97	Candy

### Inter-House Trophies for Boys and Girls

Trophy	Colour	Houses
Elocution & Singing	Yellows	F. N. & Spence
Debating	Yellows	F. N. & Spence

King Trophy Best in Athletics (Combined House) Greens  
Speck Trophy - Best Combined House 96-97 Greens  
J. A. & Candy  
J. A. & Candy

### Awards for Distinctions in Games Boys

Hockey	W. Taylor & Max Macdonald	Boxing	J. Barrett & R. Lewis
Cricket	Sar. Shaikh	Football	W. Taylor & M. H. Rain
Table Tennis	A. Patel	Gymnastics	S. Iqbal & M. H. Rain
Volleyball	Sar. Shaikh	Basketball	R. Pilkhwal

### Awards for Distinctions in Games Girls

Hockey	V. Sangar	Basket Ball	M. Gough
Table Tennis	M. D'Souza	Throwball	K. Fernandez
Soft Ball	A. Ahire		
Badminton	A. Shaikh		

### CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

The cross country practices commenced on the 17th of June, a week after school re-opened for the new academic year..

It was a new experience for all the new commers as most of them have come from schools where this activity does not exist. Initially, they had to follow the 'old' boys to get acquainted with their particular routes which they had to run in their respective divisions..

Most of the boys set to work earnestly and with great dedication from which they benefited in the long run. The ones who cheated on the lengths of the routes and took short cuts during the practice sessions eventually landed up as dropouts and tail enders.

The Finals which were to be held on the 26th of July at 11.30 a.m., were brought forward to the 25th of July due to the annual friendly football fixture between St. Peter's, Mazagoan which was held on the 28th of July '96. This was done to give the boys representing the school football team a day to recover their strength and energy. There were about 200 enthusiasts participating in this event.

It was very interesting to see all the competitors dressed in their house colours, gathered before Evans Hall, which is the starting and finishing point, anxiously anticipating the start off.

The Midgets were flagged off first, but due to unforeseen circumstances this race was nullified and was held on the 21st of August. Melroy MacDonald of Royal House came first. In the Novice division Vimal Patel of Spence house was first in the Junior division. In the Inter division Wilson Mathew of Candy house was first. Johnson Mathew also of Candy came first in the Senior division.

The meet came to a close at 1.15 p.m. after Mr. Nelson Maclure addressed the children and very kindly distributed the prizes.

### CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

POSITION	NAME	HOUSE
<b>Midget Division</b> : Distance 2.5 km.		
FIRST	Melroy MacDonald(8min 28secs)	Royal
SECOND	Deepak Rajput	Spence
THIRD	Manish Mishra	Spence
Record : B. Maredia (Spence) - 1979 ... 8 min. 9 secs.		
<b>Novices Division</b> : Distance - 3.5 km.		
FIRST	Vimal Patel (14 min 31secs)	Spence
SECOND	Kunal Aswale	Royal
THIRD	Mehtab Khan	Greaves
Record : B. Maredia (Spence) - 1981 ... 12 min. 45 secs.		
<b>Junior Division</b> : Distance - 4.5 Km.		
FIRST	Malcom MacDonald(16 min 45.3sec)	Royal
SECOND	Prakash Patel	Spence
THIRD	Asif Ansari	Spence
Record : B. Maredia (Spence) 1983 ... 15 min. 02 secs.		
<b>Inters Division</b> : Distance - 5.5 km.		
FIRST	Wilson Mathew (21 min 04 secs)	Candy
SECOND	Afzal Patel	Spence
THIRD	Asgar Pathan	Greaves
Record : A. Mahmood (Spence) - 1985 ... 18 min. 28 secs.		
<b>Seniors Division</b> : Distance - 7 kms.		
FIRST	Johnson Mathew (27 min 19 secs)	Candy
SECOND	Mohamed Mireh	Greaves
THIRD	Maxim MacDonald	Royal
Record : R. Newton (Spence) - 1984 ... 23 min. 13 secs.		

POSITIONS	HOUSE	POINTS
First	: Spence House	1025 points
Second	: Royal House	1049 points
Third	: Greaves House	1059 points
Fourth	: Candy House	1215 points

### NAMES OF PARTICIPANTS

#### MIDGET DIVISION (8-10 Years)

CANDY	GREAVES	ROYAL	SPENCE
A. Agarwal	M. Desai	R. Borade	D. Rajput
F. Ibrahim	A. Ansari	A. Kathe	R. Pawar
N. Sonawane	A. Jain	M. MacDonald	D. Murkute
W. Sharma	R. Kungle	S. Mazumkdar	J. Patel
	S. Jagtap	V. Aswale	R. Mishra

### CANDY

A. Jackson  
D. Bhatija  
N. Chakraborty  
P. Singh  
A. Hodges  
F. Kokni  
N. Jadeja  
S. Gaikwad

P. Bhagwat  
A. Korian  
S. Ansari  
E. Pendigrast  
M. Obidiki  
R. Chauhan  
Z. Khan  
R. Chakraborty  
M. Agarwal  
B. Dey

### GREAVES

L. Redden  
J. Singh  
A. Khan  
P. Mahadik  
P. Gaikwad  
I. Pathan  
H. Swaroop  
A. Athaide  
I. Ahmed  
I. Shaikh  
B. Cobla

M. Khan  
V. Dharadhar  
Z. D'Souza  
H. Vairagi  
V. Katkar  
P. Chabukswar  
A. Aluwalia  
L. Chandnani  
A. Choudhary  
T. Pachauu  
S. Hangawane  
P. Katakwar

M. D'Souza  
A. Mishra  
S. Kuwari  
R. Chandnani  
C. D'Souza  
S. Bhoalim  
B. Gupta  
I. Hussain  
G. Jaggi  
K. Patel  
A. Pathan  
P. Hyalij  
C. Reynolds  
M. Gupta

### ROYAL

A. Pande  
P. Prambithwar  
M. Patil  
K. Karpe  
V. Tiwari  
N. O'Connor

S. Dhish  
S. Yadav  
K. Aswale  
S. Nagareddy  
A. Giri  
A. Upadhaya  
P. Tiwari  
M. Khan  
P. Khan  
R. Sonawane

G. Borade  
M. MacDonald  
R. Sangar  
K. Alam  
P. Pagar  
S. Iqbal  
S. Yadav  
V. Nagareddy  
A. Deshmukh

#### INTER DIVISION (14-16 Years)

B. Bahuddin	A. Patel	V. Gandhi	V. Shukla
S. Pasi	A. Johnson	S. Bhagat	P. Nikam
V. Pahuja	B. Saha	A. Gupta	A. Patel

### SPENCE

R. Tiwari  
M. Mishra  
R. Gaikwad  
Y. Borade  
D. Nagar

#### NOVICE DIVISION (10-12 Years)

V. Patel  
N. Khan  
Y. Patel  
S. Khan  
T. Shinde  
S. Kunder  
P. Singh  
S. Khan  
S. Gupta

#### JUNIOR DIVISION (12-14 Years)

A. Ansari  
S. Ansari  
P. Patel  
R. Gupta  
S. Ansari  
M. Ansari  
C. Briggs  
T. Ansari  
N. Gupta  
A. Rai

CANDY

P. Patel  
P. Mokha  
W. Mathew  
N. Dhotre  
R. D. Tripathi  
N. Hodges  
J. Barret

GREAVES

V. Jagtap  
N. Nagareddy  
J. Kuwari  
D. Dhutia  
J. Jagtap  
A. Jain  
S. Jaggi  
A. Pathan

ROYAL

K. Tiwari  
S. Chougale  
G. Dhake  
V. Pardeshi  
J. D'Mellow  
B. Bharatia  
Y. Tuplonde

SPENCE

A. Gaware

SENIOR DIVISION (16 & above)

J. Mathew  
M. H. Rein  
S. Bhavnani  
F. Barrett  
R. Kokate

M. Mireh  
R. Lewis  
N. Gubitra  
M. Bijlani

M. MacDonald  
S. Shaikh

I. Kokni  
I. Shaikh  
S. Kuwari  
U. Shaikh  
M. Gupta  
A. Lala

Incharge : Mr. C.P. Dinger &  
Mr. K. Ryder.

A TEACHER'S PRAYER

Heavenly father, help me to teach as Jesus taught - by parable as well as precept, and by example as well as exhortation.

Make me a garden of souls. Teach me  
Thy truth that I may have precious seed to plant for Thee.

Fill me with Thy compassion that I may water the hard ground with kindness - even with tears - until it is soft. Help me to love my pupils until their hearts will open wide to receive the seed of thy word.

Give me Thy patience to await the time of fruit. Remind me, each time I grow discouraged, that gradual growth is the lass of the harvest.

Enable me to tend Thy garden well. Make me strong enough to be gentle ; good enough to be kind ; concerned enough to be a genuine friend of each of my pupils. Keep me from ever being harsh, lest I pull up the plants with the weeds.

Grant that I may be faithful gardener.  
Help me to point the tender plants to Thee,  
the light of Life and Lord of all that is.  
And let there be fruit from our garden.  
Help me to teach as Jesus taught. Amen.



AIR MARSHAL TIPNIS BEING INTRODUCED  
TO THE LADY STAFF MEMBERS ON PRIZE DAY



F. BARRET RECEIVING THE ALL ROUND HODGE SHIELD  
ON BEHALF OF CANDY HOUSE

THE MOUSE TRAP



(L TO R) CHRISTOPHER WREN (MARK D'SOUZA),  
MISS. CASEWELL (MICHELLE D'SOUZA),  
MOLLIE RALSTON (DENISE MANSEY), GILES RALSTON (MOHIT BIJLANI).



(L TO R) DETECTIVE SERGENT TROTTER (SHEEL WADHWA),  
CHRISTOPHER WREN (MARK D'SOUZA), MOLLIE RALSTON (DENISE MANSEY),  
GILES RALSTON (MOHIT BIJLANI), MAJOR METCALF (SIDDHARTH BHAVNANI).

THE NATIVITY PLAY



THE INNOCENCE AND LOVE OF THE BABY JESUS IS REFLECTED  
ON THE FACES OF OUR LITTLE ONES - NATASHA VAZ AS MARY  
AND TYRONNE PINTO AS JOSEPH



ALVIN, RICHARD AND MELROY AS THE THREE KINGS, IN ALL THEIR  
SPLENDOUR, CARRY GIFTS FOR THE NEW BORN KING.

THE JUNIOR SCHOOL ELOCUTION



STD II A  
WINNING CLASS  
OF GROUP I  
THEY RECITED  
"BETTY AT THE PARTY"



STD III B  
WINNING CLASS  
OF GROUP II  
THEY RECITED  
"A MODERN GRANNY"

THE JUNIOR VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT



A WELCOME SONG BY STD VI



THE NURSERY CLASS IN SONG DANCE



STD I SINGING  
"GOD MADE ALL THE ANIMALS"



" THE ALPHABET'S HOLIDAY "   
A PLAY BY STD V



PREP A AND B  
ONE LITTLE, TWO LITTLE, THREE LITTLE, LITTLE INDIANS



CANDY  
WINNERS OF THE MULLINGS EVENT

OUR ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS



(L TO R) 1ST ROW KNEELING : N. PEREIRA (JUNIORS), P. ZAVERI (NOVICE), M. AGARWAL (MIDGET), M. MCDONALD (MIDGET). 2ND ROW SITTING : M. GOUGH (SENIORS), MRS. V. THORPE (INCHARGE), T. GAIKWAD (INTER), MR. A. D'SOUZA (INCHARGE), I. KOKNI (SENIORS).  
BACK ROW STANDING : V. PAHUJA (INTER), C. BRIGGS (JUNIOR), M. OBIDIKI (NOVICE).



TUGGING EACH OTHER TO VICTORY !  
THE JUNIORS ON THEIR SPORTS DAY

SCHOOL HOCKEY TEAM



(L TO R) STANDING : S. CHOUGLE, I. SHAIKH (G.K.), A. PATHAN, F. BARRETT, M. GUPTA, J. JAGTAP, S. BHAGAT, MD. RAEIN, A. PATEL, R. LEWIS, A. BAHAUDDIN, A. PATEL R. ANSARI, I. KOKNI.  
SITTING : M. MACDONALD (V. CAPT), MR. G. HARDY(INCHARGE). W. TAYLOR (CAPT).

SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM (GIRLS)



(L TO R) SITTING : M. GOUGH (V.CAPT.) MRS. S. FREDERICK (INCHARGE), MISS L. FERNÁNDEZ (ASST) A. SHAIKH (CAPT.) 1ST ROW STANDING : S. SINGH, S. HASLEM, C. KUMARI, F. AHMED, S. TAMANG  
BACK ROW : SAHIRE, M. D'SOUZA, L. PACHUAU.

SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM



(L TO R) 1ST ROW KNEELING : B. SAHA, S. CHOUGLE (G. K.), M. JOHNSON (G. K.) F. BARRET .  
 2ND ROW SITTING : M.H. RAEIN, W. TAYLOR(CAPT), MR. J. REDDEN (INCHARGE), M. GUPTA, R. LEWIS.  
 3RD ROW : M. MACDONALD, B. BAHUDDIN, A. BAHUDDIN, S. JAGGI, S. SHAIKH, R. GUPTA,  
 MD. IBRAHIM.

SCHOOL CRICKET TEAM



(L TO R) FRONT ROW KNEELING : A. PATEL, S. BHAGAT, S. IQBAL, B. BAKER, S. BHAGAT.  
 2ND ROW SITTING : R. TRIPATHI, MD. HUSSAIN, MR. B. HENDERSON (INCHARGE), M. GUPTA,  
 W. TAYLOR. 3RD ROW STANDING : M. MACDONALD, B. BAHUDDIN, R. ANSARI, V. PAHUJA,  
 S. SHAIKH, S. CHOUGLE, Y. TUPLONDE, S. JAGGI.

BOXING



(L TO R ) SEATED SECOND MR. S. ISAAC(ORGANISER AND TRAINER), MRS. A. BAKER,  
 MR. A. BAKER (PRINCIPAL), MR. M. THORPE (VICE PRINCIPAL)  
 AND THREE JUDGES FROM THE ARTILLARY CENTRE

THE PREFECTS 1996-97



The Prefects - 1996-97

- 1st Row : S. Dasgupta (Head Girl), Mr. M. Thorpe (Vice Principal),  
Rev. Mrs. Kamble (School Chaplain), Mr. A. R. Baker (Principal),  
Mrs. A. Baker, W. Taylor (Head Boy)
- 2nd Row : M. O'Connor (Day Scholar Prefect-E. C.), A. Shaikh (V. Capt -J. A.),  
L. Pachuau (V. Capt - H. K.), R. Fernandez (V. Capt -F. N.)  
S. Devagoankar (Day Scholar Prefect - J. A.), M. D' Souza (Capt  
- J. A.), R. C. Agarwal (Day Scholar Prefect H.K.), R. Chawla (Day  
Scholar Prefect - F. N.), S. Tamang (Capt- H. K.), M. Hodges (Capt-  
E. C.),  
B. Mendonsa (V. Capt -E. C.)
- Last Row : S. Ray (Day Scholar- Prefect - Greaves),A. Martin (Capt - Royal)  
M. Bhudia (V. Capt. - Spence), J. Jagtap (V. Capt - Greaves),  
J. Mathew (V. Capt. - Candy), I. Kokni (Capt - Spence), S. Shaikh  
(V. Capt. - Royal), A. Pathan (Capt - Greaves), G. Ahuja (Day Scholar  
Prefect - Royal), R. Pilkhwal ( Day Scholar Prefect - Spence ),  
R. Varma Day Scholar - Prefect Candy)

NON TEACHING STAFF



NON TEACHING STAFF

- Sitting (L to R) : Mrs. S. Gama, Mr. S. T. Borle, Mr. A. Baker (Principal),  
Mr. J. Fernandes, Mrs. P. Fernandes.
- Standing (L to R) : Mrs. J. Swing, Mrs. N. Nair, Mrs. J. John, Mrs. R. Pavey,  
1st Row : Mrs. C. Peters, Mrs. C. D'Cruz.
- 2nd Row : Mrs. R. Ahmed, Mrs. J. Barnham, Mrs. D. Kelly, Mrs. O. Obidiki,  
Mrs. D. Spitz, Mrs. R. DeSouza, Mrs. D. Fernandes.
- 3rd Row : Mr. B. Gade, Mr. A. Morant, Mr. A. Mathias, Mr. S. Dalvi,  
Mr. G. Samuel, Mr. D. Robbins, Mr. B. Kokne.
- Last Row : Mr. S. Alphonso, Mr. S. Joshi, Mr. R. Waring, Mr. H. Pavey.

AIR MARSHAL'S VISIT



OLD FRIENDS REUNITED ! (L TO R) B. OZA, S. HUSSAIN, G. COLES, S. MISTRY, THE AIR MARSHAL, THE PRINCIPAL, MRS. BAKER, MRS. TIPNIS, MRS. BARUCHA, AIR CDR. BARUCHA (A.O.C.)



AIR MARSHAL TIPNIS TALKING TO THE CHILDREN GATHERED TO GREET HIM ON HIS ARRIVAL.

A V.I.P. VISITS HIS ALMA MATER



THE AIR MARSHAL ADDRESSING THE STUDENTS IN EVANS HALL



AIR MARSHAL TIPNIS PRESENTING A GIFT CHEQUE TO THE PRINCIPAL

## A V.I.P. VISITS HIS ALMA MATER



THE AIR MARSHAL EXCHANGING PLEASANTRIES WITH THE LLOYD BLOCK BOYS. THE LLOYD BLOCK CAN BE SEEN IN THE BACKGROUND



AT THE PRINCIPAL'S RESIDENCE FOR LUNCHEON  
(L TOR) S. HUSSAIN, THE PRINCIPAL, THE AIR MARSHAL, MRS. BAKER.

## P.T. AND GYMNASTICS REPORT

The P.T. & Gym practices began soon after the Cross Country finals ended. There was not a great amount of time for practices, but because the boys were so keen, they worked hard, practising after dinner to around 8.30 p.m. and finally put up a very commendable show.

The Commissioner of Revenue for Nasik, Lasalgaon and Manmad, Mr. R. Asthana, accompanied by his wife, graced the occasion as our chief guest. He was very impressed with the standard that our boys displayed and remarked during his speech that it was as if he had just watched the Olympics. He also commented that the Barnes school students have a lot of discipline and hoped that this healthy trend would continue.

The boys' Mat work and Box work was thrilling. The somersault by Sayeed Iqbal, over the Long Box, was excellent.

The boys' Cross Marching and Free Hand Exercises were well timed and colourful.

Many boys of different age groups took part in the Martial Arts exhibition. Their display was excellent. With a knowledge of the Martial Arts, a child is prepared to survive in the struggles of the harsh world outside the small world of Barnes School.

The boys and girls put up a special item consisting of a variety of pyramids. Another special item was the exciting fire dive that created awe and a nervous flutter among the spectators and was well received. All our guests were impressed with the overall performance of our students.

The results of the Inter House P.T. & Gymnastics for Boys 1996-97.

Exercise	Junior			Seniors		
Horizontal Bars	1st	S. Ansari	(C)	1st	Mohd. H. Raein	(C)
	2nd	A. Mishra	(G)	2nd	F. Barrett	(C)
	3rd	S. Iqbal	(R)	3rd	R. Lewis	(G)
Parallel Bars	1st	S. Bhagat	(R)	1st	Mohd. H. Raein	(C)
	2nd	V. Shukla	(S)	2nd	U. Shaikh	(S)
		S. Iqbal	(R)	3rd	I. Shaikh	(S)
				M. MacDonald	(R)	
				F. Barrett	(C)	
Broad Box	1st	S. Iqbal	(R)	1st	R. Lewis	(G)
	2nd	S. Passi	(C)	2nd	Mohd. H. Raein	(C)
	3rd	S. Yadav	(R)	3rd	M. MacDonald	(R)
Long Box	1st	S. Iqbal	(R)	1st	Mohd. H. Raein	(C)
	2nd	S. Passi	(C)	2nd	R. Lewis	(G)
	3rd	C. D'Souza	(G)	3rd	M. MacDonald	(R)
Mat Work	1st	S. Passi	(C)			
	2nd	S. Iqbal	(R)			
	3rd	S. Bhagat	(R)			
		S. Yadav	(R)			

Best Gymnast S. Iqbal (R) Mohd H. Raain (C)

**The Final Results were :**

House	Positions	Points
Candy	1st	240.1
Royal	2nd	221.5
Spence	3rd	216.7
Greaves	4th	215

Incharge : Mr. S. Isaac.

**P.T. AND GYMNASTICS REPORT (GIRLS)**

The academic year 1996-97 started with practices for the P.T. and Gymnastics display. This is the first major activity for the year. It is a display of march-past, P.T. exercise, gymnastics and pyramids. The girls were trained for the display for a few weeks. They were quite enthusiastic and took part energetically. During the practice sessions, there were a few mishaps during the pyramids. But by the grace of God no serious injury took place.

The finals of the mat-work and box work were held on the 30th July. Only a demonstration of gymnastics was put up on the final day. The mat-work comprises of six exercises - head spring, backward roll and neck spring. The broad box comprises of head-spring, somersault, and the long box comprises of head balance-cum-spring.

The participants for mat-work were :

Juniors		Seniors	
Sushma Singh	H.K.	Michelle Gough	H.K.
Deepika Thadani	H.K.	Savita Gupta	F.N.
Miki Kurita	E.C.	Samantha Haslem	J.A.
		Neikita D'Souza	E.C.

The girls were equally good where box-work was concerned. It takes a lot of courage and accuracy to spring and somer-sault over the long box. Our girls have achieved this with grace though it did take a lot of practice. The end result was excellent on the final P.T. display. The participants for box-work were as follows :

Juniors		Seniors	
Jennifer Hodges	J.A.	Michelle Gough	H.K.
Deepika Thadani	H.K.	Neikita D'Souza	E.C.
Asmita Dere	E.C.	Savita Gupta	F.N.
Ekta Dere	E.C.		

The best Gymnast in the senior division was Michelle Gough. Jennifer Hodges and Deepika Thadani tied for this award in the Junior division.

The grand show of P.T. & Gymnastics started with the mat-work followed by marching. While marching different formations, Michelle D'souza and Swati Devagoankar led their respective houses

smartly. At the conclusion of marching, the girls got ready for their Swedish drill. This comprised of a set of twelve exercises out of which six were in the standing position and six in the sitting position. This was done to the rhythm of different tunes played by Miss M. Verghese on the Yamaha. The drill was followed by the pyramids which were done with quick precision and were well received by the audience.

Then came the wand drill which was done to the beat of music again. This item was very colourful and enthralled the audience. The girls excelled in these exercises.

The Chief Guest was Mr. R. Asthana, Police Commissioner of Nasik, accompanied by Mrs. Asthana. He also commended the P.T. staff and other staff members for their hard work. Mrs. Asthana distributed the prizes.

After the prize distribution the combined results were announced. There was great excitement when the announcement was made regarding the final house positions.

I would like to commend the green house girls for their hard work and congratulate them on their success. As for the other three houses I hope they will put in a little more effort and put their best foot forward to beat this year's winning house.

The enjoyable evening came to an end on the lively note of the school song which was sung lustily by the children of Barnes.

The results were as follows :

MAT WORK			Seniors		
Juniors					
1st	M. Kurita	E.C.	1st	M. Gough	H.K.
2nd	D. Thadani	H.K.	2nd	S. Gupta	F.N.
3rd	S. Singh	H.K.	3rd	S. Haslam	J.A.
				N. D'Souza	E.C.
BOX WORK					
1st	J. Hodges	J.A	1st	M. Gough	H.K.
2nd	D. Thadani	H.K.	2nd	N. D'Souza	E.C.
3rd	A. Dere	E.C.	3rd	S. Gupta	F.N.
	E. Dere	E.C			

Best Junior Gymnast : J. Hodges of Joan of Arc. & H. Singh of Helen Keller.

Best Senior Gymnast : M. Gough of Helen Keller.

The Final Results were :

House	Position	Points
Joan of Arc	1st	308.4
Edith Cavell	2nd	301.4
Helen Keller	3rd	298.8
Florence Nightingale	4th	281.9

Incharge : Miss. R. Pawar.

### FOOTBALL REPORT.

The football season kicked on Thursday, 14th June with the commencement of House practice matches. Enthusiasm and interest were very much evident as House honour and a place in the school team were at stake. The boys practised hard to get into shape for the inter house competition ahead.

#### Inter-House Competition.

The Inter-House competition for the Aston Cup commenced on 4th July, '96 with Candy taking on Greaves. No quarters were given and none asked for as the teams fought for the top spot. After all was said and done the following were the results :

TEAM	A	B	C	D	E	Total	Position
Candy	7	7	5	4	4	27	1st
Greaves	1	0	2	3	6	12	4th
Royal	3	5	5	6	4	23	2nd
Spence	5	4	2	4	2	17	3rd

Thus Candy House triumphed to take the Aston Cup after some close competition from Royal House. The fierce competitiveness of the tournament was best reflected by the fact that till the last day neither Candy, Royal nor Spence could come out the champions. In the end it was the Greens (Candy) that prevailed much to their own delight. The following were the boys who represented their houses in their respective divisions.

#### CANDY HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team	E Team
W. Taylor (Capt)	V. Pahuja (Capt)	P. Bhagwat (Capt)	A. Korian (Capt)	N. Sonawane (Capt)
S. Bhavnani (V.C.)	K. Patel (V.C.)	F. Shaikh (V.C.)	M. Agarwal (V.C.)	D. Bhatija (V.C.)
J. Mathew (GK.)	R. Kokate (GK.)	S. Kardak (G.K.)	R. Chakravorty(GK)	A. Fernandes (GK).
F. Barret	B. Bahauddin	N. Dhotre	B. Dey	N. Chakraborty
S. Passi	M. Khan	W. Mathew	E. Pendigrast	B. Sharma
R. Tripathi	N. Khan	S. Ansari	M. Obidiki	C. D'Costa
M. Pundheri	S. Malviya	J. Barret	A. Jackson	J. Shah
R. Verma	P. Patel	N. Hodges	R. Chouhan	A. Hodges
A. Bahauddin	P. Mokha	V. Khatke	J. Barret	H. Patel
S. Shah	N. Panday	H. Madon	Z. Khan	P. Rach
Md. H. Rain	A. Van Ming Puia	K. Asarpota	P. Singh	A. Ansari

#### GREAVES HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team	E Team
A. Pathan (Capt)	B. Saha (Capt)	S. Bholim (Capt)	C. Jaggi (Capt)	S. Bholim (Capt)
J. Jagtap (V.C.)	S. Jaggi (V.C.)	A. Patel (V.C.)	K. Patel (V.C.)	I. Pathan (V.C.)
R. Gupta (GK)	A. Mishra (GK)	A. Parihar (GK)	V. Patel (G.K)	A. Qureshi (GK)
R. Lewis	A. Johnson	V. Jagtap	I. Hussain	A. Khan
A. Patel	J. Kuwari	S. Kuwari	F. Pathan	A. Ansari
N. Gubitra	R. Chandnani	P. Hyalij	N. Naram	H. Vairagi
D. Dhutia	N. Nagareddy	M. Khan	B. Gupta	L. Chandnani

M. Bijalani	M. D'Souza	A. Ahluwalia	M. Gupta	S. Jagtap
S. Ray	K. Khade	A. Jain	P. Void	R. Kungle
Md. A. Mireh	A. Pathan	V. Katkar	T. Pachua	P. Mahadik
P. Takle	C. Reynolds	P. Katakwar	G. Khan	V. Dharadhara
			S. D'Souza	H. Swaroop
			C. D'Souza	J. Singh
				A. Jain

#### ROYAL HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team	E Team
S. Shaikh (Capt)	S. Bhagat (Capt)	M. Hiranani(Capt)	M. Macdonald(Capt)	M. Macdonald (Capt)
A. Martin (V.C.)	S. Iqbal (V.C.)	G. Dhake (V.C.)	K. Aswale (V.C)	S. Dish (V.C)
S. Chougule (GK)	K. Tiwari	P. Pagar (G.K)	I. Shinde (GK)	S. Gaikwad (G.K)
Md. Ibrahim	V. Gandhi	K. Alam	G. Borade	R. Borade
M. McDonald	J. Ahuja	V. Nagareddy	R. Sonawane	A. Hussain
S. Bhagat	Y. Tuplondhe (G.K)	R. Sangar	N. Giri	A. Giri
R. Ansari	S. Santwani	S. Nagareddy	K. Jha	P. Shivare
V. Almeida	S. Yadav	A. Shaikh	K. Karpe	S. Bardi
R. Khode	R. Pawar	S. Yadav	G. Aswale	A. Kate
G. Ahuja	B. Bhandia	B. Baker	M. Khan	A. Gandhi
S. Hiremath	A. Deshmukh	A. Singh	N. More	S. Monterio
		S. Sangani		A. More
				F. Kokni
				J. D'Mello
				A. Batra

#### SPENCE HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team	E Team
I. Kokni (Capt)	I. Shaikh (Capt. GK)	S. Sirsat (Capt)	J. Pinto (Capt)	S. Kunder (Capt)
M. Gupta (V.C.)	A. Ansari (V.C.)	R. Izadyar (V.C.)	N. Khan (V.C.)	A. Bholim (V.C.)
V. Shukla (GK)	N. Gupta	S. Rao (GK)	S. Gaware (GK)	S. Pawse (GK)
U. Shaikh	P. Nikam	V. Patel	R. Tiwari	E. Spitz
M. Budhia	P. Pujari	P. Patel	N. Mandavgane	N. Gupta
R. Pilakwal	A. Bholim	S. Gupta	S. Khan	Y. Shetty
S. Ansari	T. Jigru	R. Spitz	A. Shah	E. Tannen
N. Sirsat	A. Gaware	S. Ansari	P. Singh	S. Bodke
A. Lala	C. Briggs	N. Rao	Y. Patel	S. Khan
A. Patel	R. Gupta	T. Ansari	M. Tyagi	P. Singh
S. Kuwari	M. Ansari	D. Rajput	R. Pawar	D. Murkute
	S. Khan	M. Tyagi		S. Nasa

#### Staff vs Student Matches :

As usual Friday evenings were reserved for the staff vs student matches. This year the competition was much stiffer compared to last year. More often than not the outcome of the matches was decided in the dying minutes of the games, thanks to the 'never say die' attitude of the boys and

the 'never say too old' attitude of the staff. Appreciation is expressed here to all the staff who turned out regularly. May they continue to do so in the future !

#### Barnes School Vs St. Peter's School Annual Football Fixture.

This was held on Saturday the 27th of July '96 at the Barnes School. In the past the matches between the two teams have always been closely fought and very competitive. This year was no exception. The visitors went ahead within the first 10 minutes much to the surprise of the home team and its fans. This remained the score at half time. Continuous downpours had made the ground heavy and ball control difficult. In spite of this the teams tried their best to supply the spectators with good football. Barnes did most of the pressing to level the score a few minutes before the final whistle through Rhett Lewis and Md. Ibrahim. Thus the game ended at 2 all.

The Anglo-Indian Schools tournament (Maharashtra)

This year the tournament was held in St. Peter's School, Panchgani from August 26th to August 31st. Eight schools took part and were divided into the following groups.

#### Group A

Bishop's School, Pune.  
St. Peter's School, Bombay.  
St. Peter's School, Panchgani.  
Campion School, Bombay.

#### Group B

Barnes School, Devlali.  
St. Mary's School, Bombay.  
Hutchings School, Pune.  
Christ Church School, Bombay.

#### League Stage :

In the league stage Barnes School overcame all opposition with relative ease. Their matches and results were as follows :

Barnes vs St. Mary's 5 - 0  
Scorers - William Taylor 3 : Maxim McDonald 1 : Sarfaraz Shaikh 1.

Barnes vs St. Hutchings 4 - 0  
Scorers - Maxim McDonald 3 : Francis Barret 1.

Barnes vs Christ Church 6 - 1  
Scorers - William Taylor 1 : Maxim McDonald 3 : Francis Barret 1 : Bunty Shah 1.

With the above wins Barnes topped their group and were stated to play the runner up of pool 'A' in the semi finals.

#### The Semi-finals :

Barnes met St. Peter's school, Bombay in their semi final match on 30th August, on a heavy slushy ground and with an engulfing and swirling mist overhead, both teams did well to play reasonably good football. In a fast paced game Barnes had more of the exchanges and several chances to score and take the lead but failed to do so. Our shots either went straight to the goalie or were well saved by him. In the end we lived to rue our missed chances. A few minutes before the end, while our defence appealed for a handball, St. Peter's kicked the ball into our goal. The referee, surprisingly, blew for a goal. Still our boys pressed on and created more chances to score but the goal eluded them. The game ended in a 1 - 0 victory for St. Peter's school. Thus bowed out

one of the better teams in the tournament. In the finals on 31st August, Bishop's's school, Pune beat St. Peter's school Bombay 4 - 1 to lift the trophy for the second consecutive year.

#### Barnes School Football '16' - A Profile.

1. William Taylor : Captain - 5th year in the team. Left winger and left half - superb runner on the ball with a lethal left kick and consistent goal scoring ability. Crowd favourite at Panchgani.
2. Mathew Johnson : Goalkeeper - 1st year in the team. Started the season nervously - worked very hard to improve - had a successful tournament.
3. Manoj Gupta : Right Wing Back. 2nd year in the team - cool headed two footed player - traps, dribbles and clears calmly - a good spoiler - played well in the tournament.
4. Md. H. Rain : Centre Back - 2nd year in the team - an aggressive tackler and great anticipator - dribbles and clears well - runs well on the ball - a vocal inspirer to the team - had a good tournament.
5. Augustin Martin : 3rd year in the team. Left wing back - fast agile mover on the field - good tackler with a great recovery - kicks hard to clear - turned in a good performance in the tournament.
6. Sarfaraz Shaikh : 3rd year in the team. Right half - strong runner on the ball with a good long shot - dribbles and distributes quite well. Played creditably in Panchgani.
7. Md. Ibrahim : 1st year in the team. Centre half - good ball control - dribbles and distributes accurately - needs to be more aggressive and to use his left foot more. Had a good tournament.
8. Satish Passi : 2nd year in the team. Left half - superb dribbler - runs well on the ball and distributes very well - A schemer in the true sense of the word - had a successful tournament.
9. Rhett Lewis : 2nd year in the team. Right winger - strong hard player - enjoys taking on defenders and jostling with them - runs deep into the box - played satisfactorily in Panchgani - can do better next year.
10. Francis Barret : 2nd year in the team - right striker - scored many opportunistic, pot-shot goals in Pune '95 - did not live upto expectations in Panchgani. Hopefully will do better next year in a different position.
11. Maxim McDonald : 2nd year in the team. Left striker - has great ball control - with experience - should become a good defender played reasonably well for a reserve in Panchgani.
12. Sampuran Singh : 1st year in the team. Right wing back - strong hard player - with experience - should become a good defender played reasonably well for a reserve in Panchgani.
13. Rahul Gupta : 1st year in the team. Left wing back - cool headed player - controls

- and dribbles reasonably well. Needs to be quicker in his movements - had a good half-hour game in Panchgani.
14. Suraj Chougale : 1st year in the team. Goalkeeper - defender - collects the ball neatly - confident of himself in the box - should be an excellent goalkeeper next year - also plays as a defender.
15. Buntly Saha : 1st year in the team. Right winger - agile mover on the ball - enthusiastic player - had a fairly good tournament - could be a good player next year.
16. Bazil Bahuddin : 1st year in the team. Left half - left winger - strong player with a good kick - did not play well in Panchgani. Expected to do better next year.

Master-in-charge : Mr. J. Redden

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### THE SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL ATHLETICS MEETING OF BARNES SCHOOL : (BOYS)

Early on the morning of the 8th November, just as the sun was rising, I charged outside, looked anxiously and then gave a sigh of relief ! The sky was fairly clear with no heavy clouds, as had been threatening for days before. This was the day set for the 72nd Annual Athletic Meet, the culmination of 15 days of precontested events which had started on the 9th October, and spread over three weeks.

It is quite a logistic feat to accomplish this, considering that there are six field events for the Senior and Inter Divisions, four for the Junior Division and two each for the Novice and Midget Divisions for both the boys and the girls with only two Jump pits available, one for both Triple and High Jump and one for Long Jump. Added to this, there are Heats for 50 m, 100 m, 200m, 400 m, 110 m hurdles for each of the divisions plus the finals of the 800 m and 1500 m. We do keep a few extra days in hand in case of inclement weather, but these are just a few. However, this year, the weather held and everything went off without a hitch, except for a surprise holiday, which was easily accommodated.

At 2.30 p.m. punctually on the 8th November, the Athletic Meet commenced with the arrival of the Chief Guest. Brigadier P.P. Bhatia and his wife Mrs. V. Bhatia. The meet began with the School's best athlete, Augustine Martin, lighting the flame and then the March Past led by William Taylor the head-boy and the head-girl Saveri Dasgupta carrying the school banner. They were followed by the four houses, Candy & Joan of Arc led by Wilson Mathew and Michelle D'Souza; Greaves & Helen Keller led by Asghar Pathan and Sarita Tamang; Royal & Edith Cavell led by Sarfaraz Shaikh and Margaret Hodges and Spence and Florence Nightingale led by Imran Kokni and Roma Fernandez. The Green House, Candy and Joan of Arc won the Sq. Ldr. Liddle Cup for their excellent marching. The Chief Guest then declared the Athletic Meet open and the school flag was raised. Then followed the events as per the programme all keenly contested and showing a lot of talent amongst the youngsters.

A few special races for the Prep House children are also held on this day. This year there were four Junior races, namely, the Tiny Tots Race for the Nursery children, the Sack Race and Clown Race for the Prep House boys and the ever popular three-legged race for the Prep House

girls. These races added a lighter note to the otherwise very competitive and earnest Athletic Meet, with the little ones falling over themselves and partners in the three legged and sack races and the "clowns" dressing themselves in an assortment of clothes and painting their faces as was required before breasting the tape amidst a lot of encouragement and cheers from the audience !

A special mention must be made of Cyril Briggs (Spence House) of the Junior Division who established two new records this year - the Long Jump - 5.08 m. and the Discus Throw - 31.8 m. He also equalled the High Jump Record of 1.40 m. Well done Cyril !

The culminating and most exciting event of the meet are the relays. Tension soars, the spectators are abuzz and the athletes are keyed up to give better than their best. The Inter Division Relay was won by Candy House, Royal House excelled in the Senior and Junior Relays whilst Greaves and Helen Keller won the Mixed Relay. Four teams took part in the Open Relay, the Arty Centre, the Ex-students, of Barnes, Barnes School A team and Barnes School B team. The Arty Centre led all the way with Barnes School - A very close at their heels throughout - a commendable effort by both teams !

At the beginning of the Athletic Meet the points won by each House for the pre-contested events were as follows : Candy - 91; Greaves - 55; Royal - 67 and Spence - 79. By the end the positions of the Houses were the same, with Candy standing 1st with 157 points.

Finally the school flag was lowered to the beat of the retreat and presented to Brigadier Bhatia who declared the Meet closed. The head boy William Taylor, then asked the Brigadier for a holiday which the Principal awarded and added to the Diwali holidays.

The Winners and the runners-up for the Open Relay were as follows :

#### Artillery Centre

John Kennedy  
Shivaji  
Joy K.C.  
G. Murugesan

#### Barnes 'A'

William Taylor  
Imran Kokni  
Rhett Lewis  
Wilson Mathew

#### Barnes 'B'

Rahul Tripathi  
Omar Shaikh  
Nadeem Gubitra  
Maxim MacDonald

#### Ex-Students

Gulam Kokni  
Kenneth Pachua  
Cornell Vanderhyde  
Ajay Pahuja

Organiser Boys : Mr A.D'Souza  
Girls : Mrs V. Thorpe.

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The suffering of each depends,  
not upon the factual happenings,  
but upon the texture of each one's mind.

Swami Chinmayananda.

THE SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL ATHLETICS MEETING  
FRIDAY 8th NOVEMBER 1996  
TIME : 2.30 P.M.

President : Brig. P.P. Bhatia  
BGS, School of Arty, Devlali.  
Mrs. Venmala Bhatia gave away the Prizes.

SENIOR DIVISION (Over 16 Years)

INTER HOUSE ATHLETICS - BOYS 1996-97.

Event	First	Second	Third	Time/Ht./Dist.
100 m	A. Martin R	I. Kokni S	R. Lewis G	11.47 sec.
200 m	A. Martin R	I. Kokni S	M. MacDonald R	23.66 sec.
400 m	A. Martin R	I. Kokni S	M. MacDonald R	56.49 sec
800 m	M. MacDonald R	R. Lewis G	A. Patel S	2 min. 23 sec.
1500 m	J. Mathew C	R. Lewis G	M. MacDonald R	5 min. 16 sec.
110 m. Hurdles	A. Martin R	Md. H. Rain C	M. MacDonald R	17.61 sec.
Long Jump	I. Kokni S	R. Lewis G	M. MacDonald R	5.68 metres
High Jump	S. Shaikh R	R. Lewis G	I. Shaikh S	1.48 metres
Triple Jump	M. MacDonald R	W. Taylor C	A. Martin R	11.25 metres
Discus	I. Kokni S	W. Taylor C	N. Khan C	24.15 metres
Javelin	U. Shaikh S	I. Kokni S	F. Barret C	38.5 metres
Shot Put	I. Shaikh S	I. Kokni S	M. Bijlani G	9.25 metres
4x100 m. Relay	Royal	Spence	Candy	49.19 sec.
4x400 m. Relay	Royal	Candy	Spence	3 min. 55.12 sec.
Medley Relay	Candy	Royal	Greaves	4 min. 7.69 sec.

Rex Ludorum : I. Kokni (Spence)

INTER DIVISION (14 - 16 Years)

Event	First	Second	Third	Time/Ht./Dist.
100 m	V. Pahuja C	B. Saha S	J. Jagtap G	12.15 sec.
200 m	V. Pahuja C	J. Jagtap C	W. Mathew C	25.63 sec.
400 m	V. Pahuja C	W. Mathew C	R. Tripathy C	58.69sec
800 m	W. Mathew C	R. Tripathy S	S. Ansari S	2 min. 18.81 sec
1500 m	W. Mathew C	J. Jagtap C	S. Ansari S	5 min. 2.11 sec
110 m. Hurdles	S. Jaggi G	V. Pahuja C	B. Saha G	19.35 sec.
Long Jump	J. Jagtap G	B. Saha C	Md. Riyad S	5.50 metres
High Jump	S. Jaggi G	N. Dhotre S	K. Patel C	1.43 metres
Triple Jump	B. Saha G	J. Jagtap C	V. Pahuja C	11.02 metres
Discus	R. Tripathy C	S. Jaggi R	A. Pathan G	28.13 metres
Javelin	R. Tripathy C	S. Jaggi R	A. Bhahaduddin C	35.0 metres
Shot Put	R. Tripathy C	A. Bhahaduddin R	V. Pahuja C	9.30 metres
4x100 m. Relay	Candy	Greaves	Spence	

Rex Ludorum : V. Pahuja (Candy)

JUNIOR DIVISION (12-14 Years)

Event	First	Second	Third	Time/Ht./Dist.
100 m	K. Tiwari R		S. Yadav R	13.15 sec.
	C. Briggs S			
200 m	C. Briggs S	K. Tiwari R	S. Yadav R	27.73 sec.
400 m	C. Briggs S	S. Yadav R	K. Tiwari R	1m. 9.18 sec.
110m.(L)Hurdles	C. Briggs S	S. Yadav R	S. Iqbal R	19.55 sec.
Long Jump	C. Briggs S	K. Tiwari R	S. Iqbal R	5.08 m. (N.R.)
High Jump	C. Briggs S	G. Jaggi G	I. Hussain G	1.40 m. (N.R.)
Discus (1 kg)	C. Briggs S	A. Parihar G	K. Tiwari R	31.80 m. (N.R.)
Shot Put (10 lb)	C. Briggs S	K. Tiwari R	A. Mishra G	9.69 m.
4x100 m Relay	Royal	Greaves	Spence	54.50 sec.

Rex Ludorum : C. Briggs (Spence)

NOVICE DIVISION (10-12 Years)

Event	First	Second	Third	Time/Ht./Dist.
100 m	M. Obidiki C	M. MacDonald R	M. Khan G	14.41 sec.
200 m	M. MacDonald R	M. Khan G	N. More S	31.16 sec.
Long Jump	M. Obidiki C	M. MacDonald R	P. Singh S	4.08 metres
High Jump	N. More R	M. Obidiki C	A. Shaikh R	1.17 metres

Rex Ludorum : M. Obidiki (Candy)

MIDGET DIVISION (8 - 10 Yrs)

Event	First	Second	Third	Time/Ht./Dist
50 m	M. Mishra S	D. Shukla C	R. Tiwari S	7.84 sec
100 m	M. Mishra S	R. Tiwari S	D. Shukla C	14.85 sec
Long Jump	M. Mishra S	D. Shukla C	R. Tiwari S	3.61 metres
High Jump	R. Tiwari S	D. Shukla C	V. Tiwari R	1.04 metres

Rex Ludorum : M. Mishra (Spence)

Event	First	Second	Third	Fourth
4x100				
Mixed Relay	Greaves	Candy	Royal	
March Past	Candy	Greaves	Spence	Royal
Open Relay (400x100x200x100)	Arty Centre	Barnes 'A'	Barnes 'B'	

Floating cups and trophies

1. Sqn. Ldr. Liddle Cup for Marching ... Candy
2. Cup for Junior Relay ... Royal
3. Cup for Intermediate Relay ... Candy
4. Bakshi Cup for Two Senior Relays ... Royal and Candy
5. W. Robb Cup for Medley Relay ... Candy
6. Open Relay Cup ... Artillery Centre

7. Trophy for Mixed Relay	...	Greaves and Helen Keller
8. Barrow Hard Lines Cup (Runner-Up House)	...	Spence
9. Henry Down Cup for Champion House	...	Candy
10. King Cup for Best Combined House	...	Candy
11. Spring Cup for 100 m (Senior Boys)	...	Augustine Martin

#### HOUSE POSITION AND POINTS

POSITION	HOUSE	POINTS
First	Candy	157
Second	Spence	131
Third	Royal	130
Fourth	Greaves	112

#### INTER HOUSE ATHLETICS RECORDS - (BOYS) SENIOR BOYS (OVER 16 Yrs.)

Event	Year	Record	
100m	1971	M. Scott	11.3 sec.
	1976	C. Albuquerque	11.3 sec.
200m	1971	M. Scott	23.3 sec.
400m	1972	S. S. Keer	52.6 sec.
800m	1986	C. Albuquerque	2min. 11.8 sec.
1500m	1983	R. Newton	4min. 36.0 sec.
110m. Hurdles (High)	1971	M. Scott	15.6 sec.
	1979	N. Nadkarni	15.6 sec.
Long jump	1963	Md. Khan	6.10 metres
High Jump	1963	Md. Khan	1.65 metres
Triple Jump	1963	Md. Khan	12.42 metres
Discus	1979	G. Hilbert	29.05 metres
Javelin (800 gms)	1962	R. Raymer	46.28 metres
Shot Put (14 lb.)	1940	J. Vikers	10.77 metres
4x100 m. Relay	1964	Candy	47.5 sec.
4x400 m. Relay	1976	Candy	3min. 45.5 sec.
2x8x4x2 Medley Relay	1989	Spence	3min. 59.5 sec.

#### INTER DIVISION (14 to 16 Yrs)

100m	1994	F. Ibrahim	11.7 sec.
200m	1994	F. Ibrahim	24.3 sec.
400m	1990	D. Ovichegan	55.5 sec.
800m	1990	D. Ovichegan	2m. 17.1 sec.
1500m	1981	R. Newton	4min. 50.5 sec.
110m Hurdles (High)	1977	S. Khan	16.8 sec.
Long Jump	1994	F. Ibrahim	5.70 metres
High Jump	1962	Md. Khan	1.58 metres

Triple Jump	1986	Ab. Samatar	1.58 metres
	1994	F. Ibrahim	11.50 metres
Discus 1.5 kg.	1964	R.. Vyas	32.23 metres
Javelin	1964	R.. Vyas	43.38 metres
Shot Put 12 lb..	1993	M. Ovichegan	11.06 metres
4x100 m. Relay	1994	Candy	50.1 sec.

#### JUNIOR DIVISION (12 to 14 Yrs)

100m	1994	R. Canday	12.4 sec.
200m	1981	Ab. Sheikh	24.5 sec.
400m	1982	S. Khokar	1min. 1.5 sec.
110m Hurdles (Low)	1982	B. Maredia	18.6 sec.
Long Jump	1996	C. Briggs	5.08 metres
High Jump	1976	B. Kolpe	1.40 metres
	1996	C. Briggs (equalled)	1.40 metres
Discus 1 kg.	1996	C. Briggs	31.80 metres
Shot Put 10 lb.	1992	Md. Ali Warsame	10.95 metres
4x100 m. Relay	1992	Candy	53.5 sec.

#### NOVICE DIVISION (10 to 12 Yrs)

100m.	1973	M. Patni	13.4 sec.
200m.	1973	M. Patni	27.4 sec.
Long Jump	1973	M. Patni	4.34 metres
High Jump	1994	C. Briggs	1.26 metres

#### MIDGET DIVISION (8 to 10 Yrs)

50m.	1994	S. Ansari	7.4 sec.
	1995	M. McDonald	7.4 sec.
100m.	1996	M. Mishra	14.85 sec.
Long Jump	1975	Z. Khan	3.63 sec.
High Jump	1971	M. Patni	1.13 metres

#### A Child's View of Authority

Don't spoil me. I know I should not have all I ask for. I'm only testing you.  
 Don't be afraid to be firm with me. It makes me feel more secure.  
 Don't correct me in front of others. I'll take more notice if you correct me in private.  
 Don't nag, or I shall have to protect myself by appearing deaf !  
 Don't make rash promises. I feel badly let down when promises are broken.  
 Don't be inconsistent. That completely confuses me.  
 Don't put me off when I ask questions, or I shall think myself forced to seek my information else where.  
 Don't think it beneath your dignity to apologize when you're wrong.  
 An honest apology makes me feel surprisingly warm towards you.  
 But two things I need above all others ; understanding and love. If you give me these, the rest will take care of themselves.

## ATHLETIC REPORT

This year, as usual, the Athletic season began. This is a great event of our school life. The atmosphere is charged with vigour and gaiety, enthusiasm and excitement. Practices commenced fairly early and were completed much in advance. The pre-contested finals were held on the 6th of November. There was evidence of keen interest and competitiveness as demonstrated by the participants.

In the afternoon of Friday, 8th November, began the Athletic competition with the impressive and colourful march-past of all the Athletes, led by the Artillery Pipe Band. Brigadier P. Bhatia presided and took the salute, declaring open the Seventy Second Athletic Meet. The entire programme went through with ease and co-operation from all.

The Liddle Cup for marching was won by Joan of Arc - the green house. It is good to know that people appreciate smartness and uniformity when they see it.

There was excitement and much activity as the events were in progress. Only the girls' hurdles, seniors and intermediate divisions, were not held in the finals this year as the girls did not have the correct approach and technique for it, but in due course they will be trained to do so.

During the interval all the girls and boys, staff members, parents and invitees were provided with much welcomed refreshments.

The Junior Relay was won by Florence Nightingale and Helen Keller were the proud possessors of the Wilshaw Senior Relay Cup.

The events were over! The winners were radiant with success. The losers were happy they had done their best. Flushed with exertion all awaited the prize distribution which followed the speeches given by the principal Mr. A. R. Baker and the chief Brigadier P. Bhatia.

Congratulations to the Rex Ludorum winners P. Zaveri (J.A.) Novice Division, Nilofer Pereira (F.N.), Junior Division, Twinkle Gaikwad, Intermediate Division, and M. Gough, Senior Division, for their magnificent achievements.

All was over now! The setting sun suffused the surroundings with a golden glow as the Seventy-Second Athletic Meet concluded with the beating of the retreat. The throbbing excitement subsided and all returned home.

Mrs. V. Thorpe

For all our worried weaknesses,  
All will be revealed.  
And for all your troubled weaknesses,  
Your trouble will be healed.  
I see you in your attitude of sorrow and demand.  
Close your eyes, close your eyes,  
Oh let me take you back to wonderland.

Paul Young

## INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS - GIRLS

### SENIOR DIVISION (Over 14 Yrs.)

Events	First	Second	Third	Time/Ht/Dist
100m.	M.Gough	HK S.Dutt	EC C.Kumari	FN 15.12secs.
200m	M.Gough	HK C.Kumari	FN S.Dutt	EC 32.74secs.
400m	M.Gough	HK P.Ranjita	JA C.Kumari	FN 1min.20secs.
110m.(L)Hurdles	C.Kumari	FN M.Gough	HK S.Devargaonkar	24.31secs.
Long Jump	M.Gough	HK D.Mansey	JA M.D'Souza	JA 3.66m.
High Jump	N.D'Souza	EC D.Pendigrast	JA L.Pachauu	HK 1.10m.
Triple Jump	R.Ranjita	JA S.Devargaonkar	JA D.Mansey	JA 7.42m.
Shot Put	V.Sangar	EC M.Gough	HK A.Kamat	HK 6.63m.
Javalin	V.Sanger	EC A.Kamat	HK S.Devargaokar	25.85m.
Discus	A.Kamat	HK V.Sangar	EC M.D'Souza	JA 13.50m.
4x100m Relay	Helen.Keller	F.Nightingale	Joan of Arc	1m.4.66sec.
4x100m mixed Relay	Greaves & Helen Keller	Candy & Joan of Arc	Royal & Edith Cavell	54.88sec.

Rex Ludorum : M. Gough (H.K.)

### INTER DIVISION (12 to 14 Years)

100 m	T. Gaikwad	HK S. Haslem	JA V. Meshram	EC 15.85 sec.
200 m	T. Gaikwad	HK S. Haslem	JA V. Meshram	EC 34.66 sec.
110m.L.Hurdles	S. Singh	HK T. Gaikwad	HK S. Haslem	JA 26.49 sec.
Long Jump	T. Gaikwad	HK S. Haslem	JA S. Singh	HK 3.35 metres
High Jump	N. Bharwani	FN S. Singh	HK S. Haslem	JA 1.08 metres
Discus	W. Fernadez	FN S. Shaikh	HK T. Gaikwad	HK
Javelin	S. Haslem	JA S. Shaikh	HK S. Haslem	JA 12.80 metres
Shot Put	N. Bharwani	S. Haslem	JA N. Bharwani	FN 18.23 metres
			JA M. Chandok	HK 5.77 metres

Rex Ludorum : T. Gaikwad (H.K.)

### JUNIOR DIVISION (10 to 12 Year)

50 m.	Nil. Pereira	FN Nf. Pereira	FN N. Rehman	EC 8.6 sec.
100 m.	Nil. Pereira	FN N. Rehman	EC Nf. Pereira	FN 16.94 sec.
50 m Skipping	Nil. Pereira	FN N. Rehman	EC S. Shaikh	EC 9.94 sec.
100m. Skipping	Nil. Pereira	FN N. Gupta	FN Nf. Pereira	FN 18.72 sec.
Long Jump	Nil. Pereira	FN A. Pallavi	JA S. Vadi	JA 2.67 m.
High Jump	A. Pallavi	JA Nil. Pereira	FN N. Gupta	FN 0.95 metres
4x100 m.Relay	Florence Nightingale	Edith Cavell	Joan of Arc	1min 12.8 sec.

Rex Ludorum : Nilofer Pereira (F.N.)

INTER - HOUSE ATHLETICS RECORDS - (GIRLS)

NOVICE DIVISION (Under 10 Years)

50 m.	Z. Khan	JA	P. Zaveri	JA	A. Joshi	EC	9.03 sec.
100 m.	P. Kareer	JA	P. Zaveri	JA	Z. Khan	JA	18.15 sec.
50 m. Skipping	P. Zaveri	JA	A. Sharma	FN	H. Singh	JA	
Long Jump	Z. Khan	JA	A. Sharma	FN	P. Kareer	JA	2.72 m.
					A. Joshi	EC	
High Jump	A. Joshi	EC	K. Maredia	HK	P. Zaveri	JA	0.85 m.

Rex Ludorum : P. Zaveri (Joan of Arc)

MARCH PAST

Joan of Arc & Candy	1st	20 pts
Helen Keller & Greaves	2nd	15 pts
Florence Nightigale & Spence	3rd	10 pts
Edith Cavell & Royal	4th	5 pts

POINTS

Totals of Divisions	J.A.	H.K.	E.C.	F.N.
Senior	32	56	25	17
Inter	19.5	34.5	2	16
Junior	12	-	15	47
Novice	29.5	3	6	6
March Past	20	15	5	10
Grand Total	113	108.5	53	96

FLOATING TROPHIES

Sqn Ldr. Liddle Cup for Marching	...	Joan of Arc & Candy
Cup for Junior Relay	...	Florence Nightingale
Wilson Cup for Senior Relay	...	Helen Keller
Trophy for Mixed Relay	...	Helen Keller & Greaves

HOUSE POSITIONS AND POINTS

Position	House	Pts.
1st	JOAN OF ARC	113
2nd	HELEN KELLER	108.5
3rd	FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE	96
4th	EDITH CAVELL	53

Incharge : Mrs. V. Thorpe  
 Certificates : Mrs. E. Correa  
 Recorder : Mrs. L. Waring

SENIOR GIRLS (Over 14 Yrs)

Events	Year	Record	
100m	1950	E. Hill	13.2 sec.
200 m	1964	C. Cox	29.6 sec.
400m	1983	Ro. Emmanuel	1min. 12.9 sec.
110m.Low Hurdles	1984	A. Tully	20.6 sec.
Long Jump	1959	M. Dawes	4.51 m.
High Jump	1946	C. Palmer Wilson	1.35 m.
Triple Jump	1973	H. Mackenzie	8.80 m
Discus	1973	M. Cox	24.35 m.
Javelin	1967	I. Garrett	27.94 m.
Shot Put	1950	E. Hill	9.14 m.
4x100m.Relay	1963	Edith Cavell	59.9 sec.
4x100m.Mixed Relay	1983	Spence & F.N.	52.5 sec.

INTER GIRLS (12 - 14 Yrs)

Events	Year	Record	Time/ HT/ DIST
100m	1972	H. Mackenzie	14.1 sec.
200m	1963	C. Cox	31.5 sec.
110m Low Hurdles	1991	P. Isaac	22.4 sec.
Long Jump	1959	Y. Dennis	4.09 m.
High Jump	1943	C. Palmer Wilson	1.32 m.
Discus	1991	R. Shaikh	18.77 m.
Javelin	1976	K. Scott	22.88 m.
Shot Put	1957	B. Peters	7.12 m.
	1995	V. Sangar	7.12 m.

JUNIOR DIVISION (10 -12 Yrs)

Events	Year	Record	Time/ HT/ DIST
50m	1964	G. King	8 secs.
	1966	N. Vakil	
100m	1975	R. Bhambure	15.0 sec.
50m. Skipping	1975	R. Bhambure	8.7 sec
	1982	Ro. Emmanuel	
100m. Skipping	1982	Ro. Emmanuel	16.2 sec.
Long Jump	1959	M. Arklie	3.84m.
High Jump	1945	S. Pawle	1.17m.
4x100m Relay	1966	Edith Cavell	1 min. 2.1 sec

NOVICE DIVISION (Under 10 Yrs)

50m	1964	H. Dhillon	9.3 sec.
100m	1965	H. Dhillon	16.2 sec.
50m. Skipping	1980	Ro. Emmanuel	9.3 sec.
Long Jump	1957	M. Arklie	3.45 m.
High Jump	1972	K. Scott	0.95 m.

## CRICKET REPORT

Cricket has become almost an all the year round game now in Barnes. Even during the off season you could see the boys using their hokey sticks as bats trying out all kinds of shots.

This year we had a long cricket season, which began in the month of August. There was a great improvement in cricket this year. You could see even the smallest of the boys showing tremendous interest and turning up for practices. There was a time when you could select players. That seems so long ago now. Yet, that was a less frenetic era when quality stood out. The juniors and Inters all tried, competing with their senior boys to be in the school eleven. After a week long session the school team was selected. Since only 16 were chosen, to many it was a disappointment as all their effort and practice had gone in vain. However, heavy hearted they consoled themselves saying - "Well, there's always a next time".

This year the staff vs students matches were not satisfying for the former, the simple reason being the boys put up a real good show and kept defeating us.

The first game for the season began with the Ex-students of St. Xavier's school, Bombay, requesting a friendly week-end game of cricket.

The first limited overs game was won by Barnes by four wickets. St. Xavier's batted first and were all out in 25 overs, scoring 115 runs. Barnes made the score losing only six wickets in 22 overs. The return match was won by Xavier's scoring 187 in 45 overs. Barnes lost by 49 runs.

Thereafter many friendly matches were played with the H.P.T. College boys, which was a very good experience for our youngsters.

During the Diwali holidays we played in Bombay against our sister school Christ Church, and St. Xavier's School. Against Christ Church the boys had a comfortable win. It was unusual for the opposite team because our boys love to hit and hope for the best rather than play the gentlemen's innings. Batting first our boys made a big target of 131 in 20 overs against Christ Church. William Taylor was the star of the match, scoring 48 off 47 balls with five sixes and two fours. Sujit Bhagat bowled a very good spell of five overs, taking four wickets and gave away eight runs. Barnes won by 40 runs.

St. Xavier's School, Bombay, played the next day. Barnes won the toss and elected to bat scoring 218 in 40 overs. Once again there was a fine century knock by Sarfaraz Shaikh. In 88 balls he scored 111 runs which included 14 fours. It was the first time in Barnes School History that a century was scored by a player of a visiting team in Bombay. Sarfaraz is a batsman of great dedication. He has discipline for the game and plays with tremendous determination. The Xavier's were all out scoring 112 in 24 overs.

The Ex-students of Barnes arrived on the 24th of September with great hope to avenge their yester year's defeat. However, it was all in vain. Every year they put down their defeat to the age factor. But inspite of some ex-students being young ex-students they were unable to fulfill their desire to beat the current Barnes School staff and the present students.

The scores were as follows. The present boys batted first and set a target of 181 for the ex-students to beat. In return the ex-students could only score 121 runs and were all out.

In the staff vs ex-students match, the staff set a target of 163 to win. In return the ex-students could only score 102 and were all out.

In the Inter-house matches this year there was a battle royal battle for supremacy right to the end. The students had been watching a lot of cricket on television and with cricket mania fired were no doubt trying to prove some of their hidden talents.

At the end there was a tie between Spence and Candy for the first position with 18 points each. Royal came third and Greaves stood last.

The Inter House results were as follows :

House	Position	Points
Spence	1st	18
Candy	1st	18
Royal	3rd	14
Greaves	4th	10

Sarfaraz Shaikh was adjudged the best player.

I would like to render my thanks to all the staff members who helped in making this cricket season a great success, especially by helping the boys to better themselves with their experience.

My sincere thanks to the Principal for his guidance. It would not have been possible to expose the boys to the outside cricket experience without his encouragement and support.

The following boys represented the school team.

1. William Taylor	- Captain	8. Sujit Bhagat
2. Sarfaraz Shaikh	- Vice-Captain	9. Suraj Bhagat
3. Yoshid Toplonde		10. Brendon Baker
4. Rahul Tripathi		11. Vijay Pahuja
5. Mohd. R. Raein		12. Suraj Chaugle
6. Sayyed Iqbal		13. Maxim MacDonald
7. Bazil Bhauddin		14. Andrew Jackson

The following boys participated in the Inter-house Cricket tournament.

### CANDY HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team	E Team
V. Pahuja (Capt.)	S. Bhavnani (Capt.)	F. Shaikh (Capt.)	S. Ansari (Capt.)	M. Obidiki (Capt.)
J. Mathew (V.C.)	M. Khan (V.C.)	N. Dhotre (V.C.)	B. Dey (V.C.)	E. Pendigrast (V.C.)
W. Taylor	K. Patel (W.K.)	P. Bhagwat	R. Chauhan	A. Fernandez (W.K.)
Mohd. H. Raein	P. Patel	W. Mathew (W.K.)	M. Agarwal	C. D'Costa
R. Tripathi	S. Wadhwa	K. Maru	D. Bhatija	D. Sonawane
M. Pundri (W.K.)	S. Malviya	A. Arya	M. Kokni	P. K. Singh
B. Bhauddin	F. Barrett	N. Pandey	A. Korian	G. Lamba
R. Kokate	N. Khan	J. Barrett	B. Wadhwa	N. Wadhwa
Z. Shah	A. Bahauddin	N. Hodges	R. Chakraborty (W.K.)	R. Wadhwa
A. Vanhmingpuia	R. Verma	S. Kardak	J. Barrett	A. Pujari
	V. Katke	P. Singh	F. Kokni	A. Ansari
			<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
			N. Chakraborty	P. Rach
			H. Patil	I. Shah

### GREAVES HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team	E Team
A. Pathan (Capt. WK)	D. Dutia (Capt.)	S. Bholim (Capt.W.K.)	G. Jaggi (Capt.)	S. Bholim (Capt.W.K.)
T. Jagtap (V.C.)	A. Johnson (V.C.)	A. Parihar (V.C.)	V. Patil (V.C.)	M. Khan (V.C.)
R. Lewis	A. Pathan (W.K.)	V. Jagtap	F. Pathan (W.K.)	A. Chaudhary
N. Gubitra	M. Mireh	A. Patel	K. Patil (W.K.)	P. Chaubukswar
M. Bijlani	B. Shah	P. Takle	I. Hussain	I. Pathan
A. Patel	A. Misra	S. Kuwari	A. Ansari	N. Narani
V. Katkar	R. Gupta	P. Hyalij	P. Katakwar	M. Desai
S. Ray	J. Kuwari	B. Gupta	C. D'Souza	A. Kureshi
S. Singh	G. Kadar	A. Jain	M. Gupta	P. Mahadik
Z. D'Souza	M. D'Souza	N. Nagareddy	A. Bansode	R. Kungle
A. D'Souza	C. Reynolds	H. Vairagi	R. Chandani	A. Khan
	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
	A. Godse	T. Gajwani		L. Chandani

### ROYAL HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team	E Team
S. Sheikh (Capt.)	S. Hiramath (Capt.)	K. Alam (Capt.)	M. McDonald (Capt.)	M. McDonald (Capt.)
M. McDonald(V.C.)	V. Dowling (V.C.)	V. Nagareddy(V.C.)	S. Yadav (V.C.)	A. Shaikh (V.C.)
A. Martin	V. Gandhi (W.K.)	D. Pagar	N. Ubale	I. Shinde (W.K.)
S. Bhagat	K. Tiwari	M. Hiranandani	S. Nagareddy (W.K.)	A. Giri
R. Ansari (W.K.)	M. Moghe	T. Khan	N. More	S. Mazimdar
S. Iqbal	S. Yadav	R. Sangar (W.K.)	K. Aswale	P. Shivare
S. Chaugle	N. Dham	F. Mullah	A. Upadhaya	R. Borade
Y. Tuplunde	J. Ahuja	N. Patel	P. Tiwari	F. Kokani
S. Bhagat	V. Pardeshi	J. D'Mello	M. Khan	S. Bardi
S. Baig	R. Khode	A. Deshmukh	G. Aswale	S. Gaikwad
B. Baker	G. Dhake	Y. Menon	S. Kotak	A. Hussain
		<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
		G. Borade	N. Giri	A. More
		N. Somaya	S. Ansari	K. Karpe
		V. Aswale	S. Kotak	A. Gandhi
			A. Faiyaz	
			R. Sonawane	

### SPENCE HOUSE

A. Team	B. Team	C Team	D Team	E Team
I. Kokani (Capt.)	I. Shaikh (Capt.+W.K.)	S. Ansari (Capt.)	P. Singh (Capt.)	N. Gupta (Capt.)
U. Shaikh (V.C.)	C. Briggs (V.C.)	T. Jigru (V.C.)	T. Ansari (V.C.)	Y. Shete (V.C.)
M. Gupta	N. Gupta	P. Patel	R. Tiwari	S. Khan (W.K.)
A. Patel (W.K.)	P. Nikam	M. Ansari (W.K.)	S. Khan	S. Khan
R. Raza	A. Ansari	J. Raza	N. Khan	D. Murkute
R. Pilkhwal	R. Gupta	A. Shah	S. Pawse	N. Mandavgane
S. Rao	V. Shukla	S. Ansari	M. Tyagi	N. Bansode
S. Kuwari	N. Rao	A. Gaware	T. Shinde	R. Pawar
A. Lala	R. Izadyar	V. Patel	S. Gupta	D. Bansode
N. Shirsat	P. Pujari	S. Kundre	Y. Patel	S. Bodke
A. Bholim	V. Kumar	J. Pinto	A. Bholim (W.K.)	S. Ansari
		<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
		S. Sirsat	S. Gaware	P. Singh
				F. Dastoor
				S. Nathani

In Charge : Mr. B. Henderson

### VOLLEY BALL

The Volley ball season for this academic year started immediately after the school reopened in the third term in January. Boys practised Volley ball for about two weeks on the three Volley ball courts. Mr. Zafar Khan was appointed as assistant for volley ball this season. We tried our best to teach the boys the "conventional" method of "3 touch" game. The result was manifest during the house tournaments and also during the matches with outside teams. A number of boys were able to spike the ball quite nicely. Some others specialised in lifting the ball.

The house tournaments began on 6th February 1997 and finished on 14th February 1997. The names of the boys who represented their houses are given below :

### CANDY

A Team	B Team	C Team	A Team	B Team	C Team
W. Taylor (cap.)	V. Pahuja (cap)	A. Bahuddin(cap)	A. Pathan(cap)	A. Johnson(cap)	B. Saha (cap)
M. H. Raien	F. Barrette	B. Bahuddin	N. Gubitra	A. Mishra	G. Jaggi
R. D. Tripathi	R. Kokate	N. Dhotre	R. Lewis	R. Gupta	J. Kuwari
S. Bhavnani	K. Patel	P. Patel	S. Bholim	D. Dutia	S. Jaggi
M. Pundri	N. Khan	P. Bhagwat	M. Bijlani	J. Jagtap	A. Patel
J. Mathew	M. Khan	V. Katke	M. Mireh	V. Jagtap	A. Patel

### ROYAL

A Team	B Team	C Team	A Team	B Team	C Team
A. Martin (cap)	Y. Tuplunde(cap)	S. Hiramath(cap)	I. Kokni (cap)	A. Patel (cap)	V. Shukla(cap)
S. Shaikh	R. Ansari	V. Dowling	U. Shaikh	I. Shaikh	P. Nikam
M. MDonald	V. Gandhi	V. Pardeshi	M. Gupta	M. Riyad	R. Izadyar
S. Bhagat	K. Tiwari	J. Ahuja	S. Ansari	A. Ansari	R. Gupta
M. Ibrahim	S. Bhagat	S. Iqbal	S. Kuwari	M. Tyagi	N. Gupta
R. Khode	S. Yadav	S. Chaugule	C. Briggs	R. Spitz	T. Jigru

### SPENCE

Candy House came first in the house tournaments scoring 12 points with 6 wins. The remaining three houses had 8 points each.

### Points Table

CANDY	...	12 points
GRAVES	...	8 points
ROYAL	...	8 points
SPENCE	...	8 points

Sarfaraz Shaikh of Royal House was selected as the best player of the year for his powerful smashing and ability to play at various positions on the court.

A Volley ball tournament between the staff and the students was conducted on 23rd Jan. '97 which included 4 teams : 1) Staff A 2) Staff B 3) Boys A 4) Boys B

STAFF A	STAFF B	BOYS A	BOYS B
H. Pavey	R. Waring	W. Taylor	I. Kokni
B. Henderson	Z. Khan	S. Shaikh	A. Pathan
V. Nair	K. Frederick	M. H. Raein	J. Jagtap
G. Hardy	A. D'Souza	A. Martin	Y. Tuplonde
P. Dinger	K. Ryder	M. Gupta	M. MacDonald
J. Redden	A. Morant	R. Tripathi	A. Patel
			R. Lewis

The tournament started at about 10 a.m. The four teams played each other once in the round robin format. The Boys 'A' team and Staff 'A' team reached the finals by winning 2 matches each. The final match was held in the evening. Both teams played exciting volley ball. The boys - A team played better volley ball and defeated the Staff - A team by the score 2 - 1. The winning team was awarded a beautiful cake presented by the staff.

Volley ball has become one of the popular games on the campus among the boys and the staff. Every evening after the normal games boys are seen charging towards the volley ball courts to bag a place in the team. Infact each house collected money from their private pocket money and bought volley balls, which they used to play whenever there was free time. Many staff members would also come to play volley ball every evening with the boys as it gave them a bit of exercise.

Incharge : Mr. V. Nair & Mr. Z. Khan.

### HOCKEY

The hockey season this year began a little later than usual because the senior boys were involved in Volley ball and Table Tennis. Those not involved in volley ball and table tennis began hockey on the 28th January. These youngsters were particularly enthusiastic as they were allowed to play for the coveted school XI. (The seniors were at the other two games.) However, earnest hockey practices began from the 10th of February.

This year there were only four divisions - A, B, C and D as the boys were fewer in number in Candy house as compared to last year. So, the four divisions were full strength, with quite a few extras too. The teams this year were quite evenly matched as I had been able to see many more boys playing this year, and so I was able to divide them in a somewhat even manner.

There were quite a few talented boys spotted this year like Melroy and Malcolm MacDonald, Errol Pendigrast, Shoeb Ansari, Sandeep Pawse, Johnny Barrett, Kapil Patel and Andrew Jackson. They and others will definitely do well on the hockey field in the coming years.

The Inter house tournament began on the 24th of February and ended on the 3rd of March. The standard of hockey this year was on the up and some close matches were witnessed in all the divisions. Greaves house came first with 14 points, followed closely by Royal in the second spot with 13 points. Then came Spence in third position with 11 points and Candy in fourth position with 10 points. Maxim MacDonald of Royal house was adjudged the 'Best Player' for this year.

Along with the house practice session, the school team also practised. There were at least thirty two students vying for a place in the school team. These students were from class nine and below. The class ten boys were not permitted to practise as their examinations were very near.

This year the under class ten team played a number of matches, most of them being against Bhonsla Military School, Nashik. I must thank the latter as they not only gave the boys invaluable match practice, but also taught them many a thing about hockey. They are a very good team and our boys learnt a lot from their game.

The following are the matches played against Bhonsla Military school and the combined staff and Devlali boys teams, and their results :

Matches	Against	Venue	Won by	Score
1.	B. M. S.	B. M. S.	Draw	4 - 4
2.	B. M. S.	B. M. S.	B. M. S.	6 - 2
3.	B. M. S.	Barnes	B. M. S.	2 - 0
4.	Staff & Dvl. B.	Barnes	Staff & Dvl.	4 - 3
5.	B. M. S.	B. M. S.	Barnes	5 - 4
6.	Staff & Dvl. B.	Barnes	Staff & Dvl.	4 - 3

The following are the boys who played the above matches.

1. Maxim MacDonald (Cap.)	10. Sujit Bhagat
2. Suraj Chougale (V. Cap.)	11. Rhett Lewis
3. Imran Kokni (G.K.)	12. Ilyas Shaikh
4. Asad Bahauddin	13. Sahdev Yadav
5. Afzal Patel	14. Sampuran Jaggi
6. Jagdish Jagtap	15. Aman Patel
7. Asgar Pathan	16. Rehan Ansari
8. Francis Barrett	17. Malcolm MacDonald
9. Bazil Bahauddin	18. Sayyed Iqbal

The day finally arrived when we had to face St. Peter's team Bombay for our last match. It was played on the 16th March, at 5.00 p.m. in Barnes School.

The game commenced with Barnes pressing the St. Peter's team as they took some time to settle down. We missed a number of chances and the chief culprit was Rhett Lewis, who was nursing an injury to his left thigh. The match picked up pace and became exciting. We made a number of forays on their goal, but were unable to score. On the other hand the visitors made some quick breaks and their attacks on our goal were thwarted by some fine goal keeping by our custodian, Imran Kokni. He made four crucial saves. The first half went goalless.

In the second half we applied more pressure and made a number of forays on their goal and were finally rewarded. William Taylor scored twice and led Barnes to a 2 - 0 victory over St. Peter's, Bombay.

The performance of the team was very good and were deserving winners. The hard practice sessions and matches had paid dividends. Every player gave of his best. The only area we lacked in, like our Indian National Hockey team, was our finishing. We missed many chances.

The following were the members of the school hockey team :

William Taylor (Cap.)	Francis Barrett
Maxim MacDonald (V. Cap.)	Sujit Bhagat
Imran Kokni (G.K.)	Aman Patel

Suraj Chaugule  
Afzal Patel  
Md. Hussian Rain  
Jagdish Jagtap  
Manoj Gupta

Iiyas Shaikh  
Asad Bahauddin  
Asgar Pathan  
Rhett Lewis  
Rehan Ansari

I would now like to thank two players from Devlali Camp, Mr. Ashok Verma and Mr. D. Vizzi Soloman for giving up their precious time and coming to school daily to help me train the boys. I would also like to thank the members of staff, particularly Mr. J. Redden, Mr. B. Henderson, Mr. S. Alphonso and Mr. C. P. Dinger and also an ex - staff member, Mr. K. Frederick, for turning up regularly for practice matches against the boys and accompanying them to Bhonsla Military School for their matches. Finally, I would like to thank Mr. R. Waring and his boys for doing such a wonderful job on the hockey field. It was a pleasure playing on it.

Results of the Inter House Hockey Tournament.

House	Position	Point
Greaves	1st	14
Royal	2nd	13
Spence	3rd	11
Candy	4th	10

Participants of the Inter house Hockey Tournament.

#### CANDY HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team
F. Barrett (Cap.)	N. Hodges (Cap.)	M. Agarwal (Cap.)	A. Jackson (Cap.)
A. Bahauddin	F. Shaikh	M. Obidiki	A. Ansari (G.K.)
B. Bahauddin	N. Pandey	R. Chauhan	J. Shah
J. Barrett	S. Kardak	E. Pendigrast	H. Patel
N. Dhotre	Y. Kathe	P. Singh	N. Jedhia
P. Bhagwat	Z. Shah (G.K.)	S. Khan	C. D'Costa
S. Ansari	J. Barrett	B. Dey	A. Pujara
W. Mathew (G.K.)	K. Maru	D. Bhatija	N. Chakravarty
G. Lamba	A. Korian	A. Fernandez (G.K.)	N. Sonawane
N. Khan	A. Hodges	P. Rach	A. Grover
M. Kokni	P. Mokha	R. Chakravarty	V. Patel

Substitute  
S. Undale

#### GREAVES HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team
A. Pathan (Cap.)	I. Kuwari (Cap.)	G. Jaggi (Cap.)	S. Bholim (Cap.)
J. Jagtap	S. Bholim	F. Pathan	N. Naram
R. Lewis	V. Jagtap	R. Chandnani	A. Khan
B. Shah	P. Hyalij (G.K.)	I. Hussain	P. Chabukswar

#### GREAVES HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team
A. Mishra (G.K.)	A. Parihar	V. Patil	M. Khan
R. Gupta	S. Kuwari	M. Gupta	A. Qureshi
S. Jaggi	N. Nagareddy	A. Bansode	R. Kungle
A. Patel	C. Reynolds	G. K. Khan	R. Mahadik
A. Patel	V. Katke	Z. D'Souza	P. Katakwar (G.K.)
M. D'Souza	A. Pathan	A. Jain	L. Chandnani
K. Patel	B. Gupta	T. Pachuau	I. Pathan
<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
A. Athaide	S. Jagtap	H. Vairagi	V. Daradhar
A. Raza	A. Chaudhary	M. Desai	P. Gaikwad
		J. Singh	H. Swaroop
		A. Ansari	

#### ROYAL HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team
M. MacDonald (Cap.)	J. Ahuja (Cap.)	S. Yadav (Cap.)	M. MacDonald (Cap.)
S. Bhagat	V. Nagareddy	S. Nagareddy	N. More
S. Chaugule	M. MacDonald	K. Aswale	A. Shaikh
S. Bhagat	P. Pagar	N. Giri (G.K.)	A. Giri
R. Ansari	G. Dhake	A. Upadhaya	R. Borade
K. Tiwari	R. Sangar (G.K.)	S. Bardi	I. Shinde
S. Iqbal	J. D'Mello	K. Jha	S. Gaikwad
S. Yadav	M. Ibrahim	A. Deshmukh	M. Khan
M. Hiranandani	N. Samaya	N. Patel	A. Khate
Y. Tuplondhe (G.K.)	A. Hussain	G. Borade	M. Chabbria
B. Baker	P. Shivare	P. Tiwari	S. Baig
<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
R. Pawar	V. Aswale	K. Karpe	A. More
F. Kokni	S. Monterio	M. Aymen	R. Sonawane
G. Aswale			

#### SPENCE HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team
I. Kokni (Cap.)	P. Pujari (Cap.)	P. Singh (Cap.)	R. Tiwari (Cap.)
A. Patel	A. Bholim (G.K.)	S. Khan	V. Patel
Y. Shukla	N. Gupta	S. Gupta	S. Khan (G.K.)
I. Shaikh (G.K.)	R. Gupta	J. Pinto	D. Bansode
C. Briggs	S. Kunder	J. Ansari	R. Pawar
A. Ansari	B. Raza	A. Shah (G.K.)	N. Mandavgane
P. Patel	V. Patel	S. Khan	J. B. Raza
P. Nikam	A. Gaware	N. Khan	S. Bodke

### SPENCE HOUSE

A Team	B Team	C Team	D Team
M. Ansari	R. Izadyar	S. Pawse	S. Gaware
S. Ansari	S. Ansari	T. Shinde	K. Bholim
S. Shirsat	S. T. Jigru	S. Ansari	N. Gupta
<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
Y. Shetty	R. Patel	A. Dayal	N. Bansode
M. Tyagi	D. Rajput	R. Patel	S. Nasa

Incharge : Mr. G. Hardy

### BOYS INTER HOUSE TABLE TENNIS

The table - tennis season started with the boys trying hard to force their way in representing their house teams, for the house tournaments.

Each houses gave their best combination for the house tournaments. In the beginning of the tournament no team looked to be the favourites. Afzal Patel of Spence house, the best player last year, was instrumental in guiding his house to win last year. This year, though he tried his best it was only sufficient for him to get the best player award, as he won all his singles matches. The other boys from his house could not be of any help to push Spence house to the top.

Royal house, the runners up last year, retained that position. Sujit Bhagat, Rehan Ansari and Suraj Bhagat played well for their house.

Greaves house, who finished third last year, were the winners this year. This was possible due to a major contribution from Ajay Patel, Asghar Pathan and Gursharan Singh Jaggi playing at their best to win their singles and doubles matches.

Candy house failed to open their account.

The boys representing their houses are as follows :

CANDY HOUSE	GREAVES HOUSE	ROYAL HOUSE	SPENCE HOUSE
A. Bahauddin	J. Jagtap	Sujit Bhagat	Afzal Patel
F. Shaikh	Ajay Patel	R. Ansari	C. Briggs
B. Bhagat	A. Pathan	Y. Tuplonde	R. Izadyar
B. Bahauddin	G. S. Jaggi	Suraj Bhagat	Asif Ansari

The Final positions were :

1st	GREAVES	32 points
2nd	ROYAL	22 points
3rd	SPENCE	18 points
4th	CANDY	Nil

Incharge : Mr. V. Frederick  
Mr. S. Kulkarni

### BOXING REPORT

Many a time, on the international scene, we have heard of boxers dying due to fatigue, head injuries or other injuries sustained in the ring. As a result of this, many schools in India have stopped Boxing, but not Barnes School. The aim of this school is to make boys rough and tough before they leave school, so that they can face any difficulty in future.

The boxers are well protected against any significant injuries by the headgear which is provided by the school and, more important, by the Grace of God.

"Come on ..... advance ! Retreat ! Duck ! Straight Punch ! Now a hook ! Now a straight left! Now an upper cut .....". These words are often used by our coach Mr. S. Isaac who trained the boys to box.

The training in footwork included skipping and hill climbing, which also helped in building up stamina. Abdominal exercises included push ups and running with weights on their backs.

Forty boxers from each house were selected to participate in the sixteen weight groups. Eight days of preliminary bouts were conducted.

The best boxer of the year '96 - '97 was awarded to Rhett Lewis of Greaves House in the Senior Division and to Johnny Barrett of Candy House in the Junior Division. The prizes for the best losers were awarded to Pradip Pujari of Spence House for the Seniors and R. Tiwari of Royal House for the Juniors.

Mr. A Baker, the principal, welcomed the gathering and Mr. M. Thorpe, the Vice Principal, proposed the Vote of thanks. Mrs. A. Baker gave away the prizes.

### RESULTS - FINAL DAY

WEIGHT	WINNER		RUNNER - UP	
1. 19 - 26 Kg. Jr. Fly	D. Sonawane	C	R. Tiwari	R
2. 27 - 29 Kg. Jr. Bantam	A. Agarwal	C	I. Pathan	G
3. 30 - 31 Kg. Jr. Feather	V. Tiwari	R	M. Mishra	S
4. 32 - 34 Kg. Jr. Light	J. Barrett	C	D. Shukla	C
5. 35 - 37 Kg. Jr. Welter	M. Khan	G	S. Ansari	C
6. 38 - 40 Kg. Jr. Welter	S. Nagareddy	R	M. MacDonald	R
7. 41 - 45 Kg. Jr. Middle	A. Ansari	S	S. Bhagat	R
8. 46 - 47 Kg. Jr. Middle	P. Nikam	S	J. Barrett	C
9. 48 - 51 Kg. Jr. Lt. Heavy	A. Patel	G	W. Mathew	C
10. 52 - 54 Kg. Jr. Heavy	J. Jagtap	G	J. Kuwari	G
11. 55 - 57 Kg. Sr. Fly	R. Lewis	G	M. Ansari	S
12. 58 - 59 Kg. Sr. Bantam	S. Jaggi	G	M. MacDonald	R
13. 62 - 63 Kg. Sr. Middle	N. Hodges	C	C. Briggs	S
14. 64 - 67 Kg. Sr. Lt. Heavy	I. Kokni	S	I. Sheikh	S
15. 96 - 105 Kg. Sr. Heavy	A. Bholim	S	P. Pujari	S
16. Millings	Candy		Greaves	
Most Scientific Boxer	Jr. J. Barrett	C	Sr. R. Lewis	G
Best Loser	Jr. R. Tiwari	R	Sr. P. Pujari	S

Judges from Arty Centre : N. Sub. J. P. Lakhan; N. Sub. D. Singh; Sub. D. R. Yadav.

Referee : Mr. S. Isaac

Time Keeper : Mr. B. Fernandez

House	Position	Points
CANDY	1st	114
GREAVES	2nd	108
SPENCE	3rd	106
ROYAL	4th	104

**BOXING PRELIMINARY ROUNDS COACH : SOLOMON ISAAC**

**FIRST DAY - 12 / 3 / 97**

The preliminary bouts began on the 12th of March 1997. Most of the participants were of Candy and Royal houses. At first, Mr. S. Isaac was the referee, then after a few bouts, Mr. M. Thorpe took over. There were small bouts which were funny. One of those bouts was between S. Robins and N. O'Connor in which the former won. Then there were tough bouts beginning with V. Tiwari and H. Ved. in which H. Ved was outclassed in the second round. The boys were anxiously waiting to witness the tough bout between V. Patil and D. Shukla. Both were tough boxers. After a few hard punches from Shukla, V. Patil started bleeding. However, V. Patil did not give in but lost by a split decision. Congratulations, V. Patil !

WEIGHT	WINNER	RUNNER - UP
19 - 26 Kg.	R. Mishra	S
	S. Robins	C
	N. Patel	R
27 - 29 Kg.	F. Kokni	C
	H. Vairagi	G
	A. Kanchwala	C
	Y. Borade	S
	F. Sierer	G
	M. Rathii	R
30 - 31 Kg.	V. Tiwari	S
	D. Nagar	S
	V. Dharadhar	G
	D. Shukla	C
32 - 34 Kg.	A. Upadhyay	R
	A. Khan	G
	A. Kurian	C
	M. Khan	R
	S. Khan	S
	C. Reynolds	G
	D. Bhatija	C
	A. Hussein	R
38 - 40 Kg.	S. Baig	R
	R. Tatke	S
	A. More	R
	N. Patel	R

Judges : Mr. M. Thorpe, Mr. A. D'Souza, Mr. D. Correa.  
Time Keeper : Mr. B. Henderson.  
Referee : Mr. S. Isaac.

**SECOND DAY - 13 / 3 / 1997**

Today was the second day of the preliminary bouts. One of the best bouts was between S. Muzumdar and V. Katkar. S. Muzumdar is short in stature as compared with his opponent. S. Muzumdar tried his best to overcome his handicap and won by a unanimous decision. Today, the tough bout was between V. Nagareddy and A. Shah. The latter threw some hard punches at the former, but he was overconfident and some of his punches were below the belt. This made Shah lose his bout and Nagareddy won by a split decision. Today, most of the participants were from Candy House.

WEIGHT	WINNER	RUNNER - UP	
19 - 26 Kg.	D. Sonawane	C	
	R. Tiwari	R	
27 - 29 Kg.	S. Muzumdar	R	
	S. Pawse	S	
	P. Pabitwar	R.	
	A. Agarwal	C	
	D. Rajput	S	
	N.K. Gupta	S	
	N. Bansode	S	
	A. Choudhary	G	
	P. Chabukswar	G	
	I. Shaikh	G	
30 - 31 Kg.	L. Chandnani	G	
	D. Murkute	S	
32 - 34 Kg.	K. Patel	G	
	A. Ansari	C	
35 - 37 Kg.	B. Dey	C	
	V. Nagareddy	R	
	A. Patel	G	
	41 - 45 Kg.		
48 - 51 Kg.			

Judges: Mr. O'Connor, Mr. P. Dinger, Mr. K. Ryder.  
Time Keeper : Mr. B. Fernandez.  
Referee : Mr. M. Thorpe.

**THIRD DAY - 14 / 3 / 1997**

Today, the big bouts were on the list, so the excitement and interest of the boys was at a pitch. One of the tough bouts was between G. Jaggi and T. Jigru. Both boxers were rough and tough and the judges could not make a quick decision. However, in the end, Taqi Jigru proved to be luckier and a better boxer and won the bout. The funniest bout was between G. Dhake and A. Korian. Both were throwing wild punches in the air as if hitting an invisible target. Finally Girish Dhake won the bout. The last bout between V. Dharadhar and D. Shukla was the toughest bout of the evening, which the latter won.

WEIGHT	WINNER	RUNNER - UP
19 - 26 Kg.	R. Patil	R
27 - 29 Kg.	I. Pathan	G

## WEIGHT

30 - 31 Kg.

32 - 34 Kg.

35 - 37 Kg.

38 - 40 Kg.

41 - 45 Kg.

27 - 29 Kg.

32 - 34 Kg.

## WINNER

Y. Borade S  
 B. Sharma C  
 M. Mishra S  
 H. Nasser C  
 D. Shukla C  
 R. Chakravorty C  
 K. Balani S  
 P. Shivare R  
 I. Hussein G  
 D. Bansode S  
 V. Jagtap G  
 G. Dhake R  
 S. Bholim G  
 T. Jigru S  
 F. Kokni C  
 D. Shukla C

## RUNNER - UP

A. Pandey R  
 D. Rajput S  
 Md. Reza Ali C  
 R. Manchandani C  
 R. Pawar S  
 T. Shinde S  
 K. Singh C  
 J. Patel S  
 A. K. Pandey R  
 F. Kokni R  
 A. Khan G  
 A. Kurian C  
 N. Khan S  
 G. Jaggi G  
 Z. Vallar R  
 V. Dharadhar G

Judges : Mr. S. Gadre, Mr.D. Correa, Mr. B. Henderson/  
 Time Keeper : Mr. A. D'Souza.  
 Referee : Mr. S. Isaac.

## FOURTH DAY - 17 / 3 / 1997

This was the day when almost all the bouts were tough. One of them was between D. Nagar and Durgesh Shukla. Both threw hard punches and Durgesh started to bleed, but the judges decided in his favour. The bout between Asif Ansari (last year's finalist) and Kapil Patel was the toughest bout of this evening. Kapil was badly punched and started bleeding through his nose. He was outclassed in the third round.

## WEIGHT

19 - 26 Kg.  
27 - 29 Kg.

30 - 31 Kg.

32 - 34 Kg.

38 - 40 Kg.

41 - 45 Kg.

## WINNER

D. Sonawane C  
 S. Pawse S  
 A. Agarwal C  
 H. Vairagi G  
 M. Rathi R  
 V. Tiwari R  
 D. Shukla C  
 R. Chakravorty C  
 A. Upadhyay R  
 J. Barrett C  
 A. Pathan G  
 R. Tiwari S  
 S. Nagareddy R  
 A. Ansari S  
 S. Iqbal R

## RUNNER - UP

R. Mishra S  
 F. Sierer G  
 M. Sohail R  
 F. Kokni C  
 N. R. Gupta S  
 N. Bansode S  
 D. Nagar S  
 I. Sheikh G  
 L. Chandnani G  
 K. Balani S  
 M. Khan R  
 C. Reynolds G  
 S. Khan S  
 K. Patel G  
 M. D'Souza G

Judges : Mr. P. Dinger, Mr. G. Hardy, Mr. S. Kulkarni.  
 Time Keeper : Mr. B. Fernandez.  
 Referee : Mr. M. Thorpe.

## FIFTH DAY - 18 / 3 / 1997

Today was another day when almost all the bouts that were fought were very tough. The most engrossing of all the bouts was between V. Nagareddy and A. Patel. The pair were evenly matched. But luck seemed to favour A. Patel during the last round when he got the better of V. Nagareddy. The judges found it difficult to pass their verdict and finally declared A. Patel as the winner.

Another bout that called for attention was between J. D'Mello and S. Kardak. It was a very sight to see them fight. It brought life to the evening's events.

## WEIGHT

19 - 26 Kg.  
27 - 29 Kg.  
35 - 37 Kg.38 - 40 Kg.  
41 - 45 Kg.

46 - 47 Kg.

48 - 51 Kg.

52 - 54 Kg.

30 - 31 Kg.

## WINNER

R. Tiwari R  
 I. Pathan G  
 M. Khan G  
 D. Bansode S  
 N. Naram G  
 M. MacDonald R  
 T. Jigru S  
 S. Bhagat R  
 P. Nikam S  
 J. Barrett C  
 W. Mathew C  
 S. Yadav R  
 A. Patel G  
 S. Kardak C  
 N. Dhotre C  
 B. Saha G  
 A. Choudhary G

## RUNNER - UP

S. Muzumdar S  
 Y. Borade S  
 P. Shivare R  
 I. Hussein G  
 D. Murkute S  
 G. Dhake R  
 S. Bholim G  
 A. Ansari C  
 S. Kuwari G  
 N. Gupta S  
 J. Pinto S  
 A. Jain G  
 V. Nagareddy R  
 J. D'Mello R  
 A. Parihar G  
 S. Chougule R  
 R. Manchandani C

Judges : Mr. V. Nair, Mr. J. Redden, Mr. K. Ryder.  
 Time Keeper : Mr. B. Henderson.  
 Referee : Mr. S. Isaac.

## SIXTH DAY - 20 / 3 / 1997

The interest and excitement among the boys grew as all the bouts were tough. One of the toughest was between S. Nagareddy and P. Bhagwat as he had outclassed Nagareddy last year. However, the tables were turned this year as Nagareddy has gained experience and Bhagwat was overpowered. Another good bout was between Asghar Pathan and Mohammad Riyad Reza. Asghar was over confident as Riyad was a beginner. He did not take Riyad's powerful left hooks into consideration. He was knocked down after a few hard punches and Riyad won by a split decision. The last bout of this evening was between Afzal Patel and Azad Bahauddin. Both were technical boxers, but Afzal proved to be better and won the fight.

## WEIGHT

27 - 29 Kg.  
30 - 31 Kg.

## WINNER

A. Agarwal C  
 B. Sharma C  
 M. Mishra S

## RUNNER - UP

P. Pabitar R  
 H. Vairagi G  
 M. Rathi R

WEIGHT	WINNER		RUNNER - UP	
32 - 34 Kg.	V. Tiwari	R	A. Choudhary	G
	D. Shukla	C	P. Chabukswar	G
	R. Chakravorty	C	A. Upadhyay	R
	M. Khan	G	D. Bansode	S
	M. MacDonald	R	V. Jagtap	G
35 - 37 Kg.	R. Tiwari	R	A. Pathan	G
	S. Nagareddy	R	P. Bhagwat	C
38 - 40 Kg.	S. Bhagat	R	R. Chandnani	G
	J. Ahuja	R	S. Ansari	S
41 - 45 Kg.	F. Barrett	C	P. Hyalij	G
	A. Mishra	G	R. Gupta	S
48 - 51 Kg.	Md. Riyad	S	A. Pathan	G
	A. Patel	S	A. Bahauddin	C

Judges : Mr. M. Thorpe, Mr. B. Henderson, Mr. D. Correa.  
Time Keeper : Mr. A. D'Souza.  
Referee : Mr. S. Isaac.

#### SEVENTH DAY - 25 / 3 / 1997

This evening, the bout between S. Yadav and J. Ahuja, both of Royal House, proved to be a tough one. Yadav, last years finalist and also a technical boxer, was the winner. Ahuja was more intent on blocking and making sudden surprise attacks. The bout between Noel Hodges and Amit Gaware was a short one. Gaware began well and landed a few hard blows on Hodges who ducked and dodged till the former used up his stamina. Then it was the turn of Hodges who made good use of his advantage and finally won by a knock out.

WEIGHT	WINNER		RUNNER - UP	
19 - 26 Kg.	R. Tiwari	R	R. Patil	R
	I. Pathan	G	S. Pawse	S
	S. Ansari	C	N. Naram	G
	A. Ansari	S	T. Jigru	S
	W. Mathew	C	B. Dey	C
41 - 45 Kg.	S. Yadav	R	J. Ahuja	R
	J. Kuwari	G	B. Saha	G
48 - 51 Kg.	M. Ansari	S	K. Tiwari	R
	V. Shukla	S	N. Nagareddy	G
55 - 57 Kg.	N. Hodges	C	A. Gaware	S
	C. Briggs	S	Md. Ibrahim	R
62 - 63 Kg.	I. Shaikh	S	Z. Shah	C
	J. Jagtap	G	S. Kardak	C

Judges : Mr. M. Thorpe, Mr. S. Gadre, Mr. B. Henderson.  
Time Keeper : Mr. D. O'Connor.  
Referee : Mr. S. Isaac.

#### EIGHTH DAY - 26 / 3 / 1997

This was the last day of the preliminary bouts and also the semi finals. All the participants were eager to win as they would then reach the finals. All the bouts were tough. Francis Barrett and Aman Patel, both last year's finalists faced each other. Aman was scared at first, but as the bout commenced

he regained his confidence and charged Barrett like a maddened bull. The judges were in a fix as both were good boxers. However, Aman emerged as the winner. Another good bout was between Willson Mathew and S. Yadav, both finalists last year. Both were technical and hard hitting boxers. Both boxers began to bleed, one from the nose and the other from a cut lip. Wilson proved to be the better boxer and won the bout.

WEIGHT	WINNER		RUNNER - UP	
27 - 29 Kg.	A. Agarwal	C	B. Sharma	C
30 - 31 Kg.	V. Tiwari	R	D. Shukla	C
32 - 34 Kg.	J. Barrett	C	R. Chakravorty	C
38 - 40 Kg.	S. Nagareddy	R	R. Tiwari	S
41 - 45 Kg.	S. Bhagat	R	S. Iqbal	R
46 - 47 Kg.	J. Barrett	C	A. Patel	G
48 - 51 Kg.	W. Mathew	C	S. Yadav	R
52 - 54 Kg.	A. Patel	G	F. Barrett	C
	J. Jagtap	G	N. Dhotre	C
55 - 57 Kg.	J. Kuwari	G	A. Mishra	G
	R. Lewis	G	Md. Riyad	S
64 - 67 Kg.	M. Ansari	S	V. Shukla	S
	I. Kokni	S	A. Patel	S

Judges : Mr. P. Dinger, Mr. B. Fernandez, Mr. V. Frederick.  
Time Keeper : Mr. J. Redden.  
Referee : Mr. M. Thorpe.

#### BASKET BALL (BOYS)

The Basket ball practice matches began on the 8th of January and the Inter house tournaments began on the 16th of January.

As Basket ball coincides with Volley ball, we were unable to have matches with the staff as most members of the staff preferred to play Volley ball.

The boys put in their best effort during the practice matches as well as during the tournament.

The Inter house tournaments commenced with Royal playing Greaves and concluded with Candy playing Spence.

Once again Spence house topped the table with 12 points followed by Greaves with 8 points, Candy with 4 points and Royal house with no score.

Rahul Pilkhwai of Spence 'A' was adjudged the best player of the year.

The overall results were as follows :

House	Position	Points
SPENCE	1st	12
GREAVES	2nd	08
CANDY	3rd	04
ROYAL	4th	00

**The Representatives of 'A' Team**

CANDY	GREAVES	ROYAL	SPENCE
W. Taylor (Capt.)	A. Pathan (Capt.)	S. Shaikh (Capt.)	I. Kokni (Capt.)
F. Barrett	M. Bijlani	M. MacDonald	C. Briggs
J. Mathew	R. Lewis	S. Bhagat	M. Gupta
Md. H. Rein	A. Johnson	R. Ansari	U. Shaikh
R. Tripathi	J. Jagtap	A. Martin	R. Pilkhwal
<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
N. Khan	N. Gubitra	M. Ibrahim	A. Shah
M. Khan		V. Dowling	A. Bholim

**The Representatives of 'B' Team**

CANDY	GREAVES	ROYAL	SPENCE
S. Bhavnani (Capt)	M. D'Souza (Capt.)	S. Bhagat (Capt.)	A. Patel (Capt.)
P. Patel	D. Dutia	S. Yadav	S. Ansari
B. Bahauddin	S. Jaggi	S. Iqbal	R. Spitz
A. Bahauddin	C. D'Souza	S. Hiremath	V. Shukla
K. Patel	A. Patel	K. Tiwari	P. Pujari
<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>Substitutes</u>
M. Pundri	B. Saha	Y. Tuplonde	I. Shaikh
V. Pahuja	C. DeSouza	S. Chaugle	M. Riyad
R. Kokate	M. Mireh	B. Baker	P. Nikam
W. Mathew		J. Ahuja	A. Ansari

A mention must be made of certain players who were outstanding in certain areas of basketball tactics. Francis Barrett of Candy house was very good in receiving rebounds from the board and using them to his team's advantage. Rhett Lewis of Greaves house proved a proficient dribbler while Mohit Bijlani was a strong defender. Maxim MacDonald of Royal house was very good in scoring baskets. Rahul Pilkhwal of Spence house was the best all round player and received the 'Best Player of the year award.'

Incharge : Mr C. Dinger  
Mr. K. Ryder

A spark of pure love is more precious before God, more useful for the soul and more rich in benedictions for the Church than all other works taken together, even if according to appearances, one does nothing.

St. John of the Cross

**BASKET BALL (GIRLS)**

Basket Ball is one of the many games played in Barnes School and is loved by each and every child inspite of being novices to the game.

This year the enthusiasm was even greater as there was a new cemented court with Fibre glass boards and brand new baskets made for one and all. The anxiety of waiting to experiment on the "NEW COURT" finally abated with the arrival of the Basket Ball season in January. Practices began with all the house teams and many new faces were seen on the court. The basic tactics of the game were taught - dribbling - passes - lay ups - potting - defence - 3 sec rule etcetera. Finally when the novelty of playing on the new court had worn off we began our Inter House Tournaments on the 20th January, 1997.

The girls representing each house were as follows :

Joan of Arc	Helen Keller	Edith Cavell	Florence Nightingale
A. Shaikh	M. Gough	V. Sangar	C. Kumari
M. D'Souza	F. Ahmed	L. Viegas	K. Fernandez
S. Ahire	L. Pachuau	N. D'Souza	D. Kumari
S. Singh	S. Tamang	M. D'Curz	S. Gupta
S. Haslem	K. Mukaddam	M. Kurita	S. Shah
J. Mathais		V. Sakharkar	S. Fernandes
D. Pendigrast		M. Hodges	D. Vaz

The house that came out winners of the tournament were the Joan of Arcs with 6 points followed by Edith Cavell with 4 points and then Helen Keller with 2 points. Florence Nightingale didn't score any points. The best player in the tournament was Michelle Gough of Helen Keller, who is an all round player in Basket Ball. Her ability to score baskets as well as defend, good passes as well as good sportsmanship gained her the title of best Basket Ball player of the year 1997.

The end of the Inter House tournament brought us nearer to the Inter School Basket Ball Meet which is always held between St. Peter's School (Mumbai) and Barnes School (Devlali).

There wasn't any trouble choosing the girls to represent Barnes as several players of the previous years team were available in the current year, too. They were as follows :

Afsana Shaikh (Captain)	Michelle D'Souza
Michelle Gough (Vice Captain)	Fatima Ahmed
Sarita Tamang	Shivangi Singh
Snehal Ahire	Chasmita Kumari
Samantha Haslem	Lynn Pachuau

Our only task was their proper training. In the beginning we had all ten girls with a few extras out on the court practising their feet off but later the girls in std. X had to take leave for their examination and so we had to coach the few who were present.

The St. Peter School staff and students arrived on the 15th of March by the Tapoyan and were warmly welcomed by the Barnes School staff and students.

The Basket Ball match as scheduled began at 8.00 a.m. on the 16th of March. There were mixed feelings of anxiety, nervousness and fear on the faces of both teams. The game began with Michelle Gough scoring one point for Barnes in a free shoot which gave us a little "pep". But St. Peter's team seemed determined not to allow Barnes a chance at shooting. Though Afsana Shaikh and Michelle Gough, our good potters tried their best to score, they were unlucky. On the other hand the St. Peter's girls seemed well in form and barely missed any of their baskets. Was it just bad luck or lack of stamina ? Whatever it was the Barnes School girls were beaten this year with the final score St. Peter's - 22 points; Barnes School - 9 points.

It was rather disappointing after all those days of practising and hard work put in by the students and staff but the better team always wins and there is always room for improvement for the losers.

I take this opportunity to thank my assistant Miss. L. Fernandez and all the staff and students who gave up much of their time in helping to coach the girls.

Incharge : Sharon Frederick.  
Assisted By : Lisa Fernandez

### BADMINTON (GIRLS)

The badminton tournament for the year 1996-97 commenced as usual in mid - February. As has been tradition, the players of the previous year's B team graduated to the A team where necessary.

The star players of 1996-97 were Afsana Shaikh and Pallavi Ranjeeta of Joan of Arc. Who with their strong shots and excellent placements, effortlessly emerged the winners. Afsana Shaikh was unanimously adjudged the best player and awarded the trophy.

The other outstanding players of the year are Fatima Ahmed, Karen Fernandez, Varsha Sangar, Anupama Kamat and Damyanthi Rao.

The Interhouse Badminton Results :

House	Position	Points
Joan of Arc	First	16
Helen Keller	Second	8
Edith Cavell	Third	6
Florence Nightingale	Fourth	4

### HOUSE TEAMS

#### JOAN OF ARC

A Team Doubles	B Team Doubles	A Team Singles
Afsana Shaikh Pallavi Ranjita	Samantha Haslam Diana Pendigrast	Afsana Shaikh

### HELEN KELLER

A Team Doubles	B Team Doubles	A Team Singles
Anupama Kamath Michelle Gough	Fatima Ahmed Blossom Fernandez	Anupama Kamath

### EDITH CAVELL

A Team Doubles	B Team Doubles	A Team Singles
Lourdes Viegas Varsha Sangar	Miki Kurita Mary D'Cruz	Varsha Sangar

### FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

A Team Doubles	B Team Doubles	A Team Singles
Karen Fernandez Dakshita Kumari	Damyanti Rao Wendy Fernandez	Karen Fernandez

Incharge : Mrs. N. Rao.  
Assisted by : Mrs. A. Rehman, Mrs. L. Issac

### HOCKEY (GIRLS)

Hockey practices began with the players participating with great enthusiasm. The new players were a little nervous. They were not too sure about how they were supposed to hold the hockey stick. The other players were quite cooperative and helped them through the practices and guided the girls of their team. No doubt there were some who got knocked on their shins and ankles. A little yelling and grumbling was heard, which subsided as the game continued.

During this year's hockey season the girls had only a few weeks practice. The girls put up a good fight, even though the game requires a lot of stamina and energy. After a few changes in the team the Captains decided who would represent their respective teams. A team of eleven players was chosen along with 2 reserves for each team. The house lists were handed to the teacher concerned.

The Inter - house hockey tournament began on the 11th of February. Most of the girls tried their best, even while their team was losing. But the yellow house girls gave up hope when their goal keeper scored a goal for the opposing team.

The best player of 1996-97 for Hockey was given to Varsha Sangar of Edith Cavell.

The following girls played for the Inter House Hockey Tournament :

Joan of Arc	Helen Keller	Edith Cavell	Florence Nightingale
A. Shaikh (Cap.) P. Rangeeta (G.K.) S. Haslem R. Pawar D. Pendigrast C. Pires	A. Kamath (Cap.) A. Aher (G.K.) M. Gough B. Fernandez F. Ahmed N. Mukadam	V. Sangar (Cap.) A. Kavour (G.K.) L. Viegas N. D'Souza M. D'Curz V. Sakharkar	K. Fernandez (Cap.) P. Dhanani (G.K.) M. Pinto N. Gupta D. Vaz S. Bhalerao

Joan of Arc	Helen Keller	Edith Cavell	Florence Nightingale
N. Singh	S. Shaikh	B. Mendonsa	N. Bharwani
J. Hodges	K. Mukadam	M. Kurita	D. Kumar
C. Waring	D. Thadani	A. Nayak	W. Fernandez
S. Singh	S. Singh	G. Shaikh	S. Gupta
D. Mansey	T. Gaikwad	C. Peabody	S. Shah
<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>
A. Waring	I. Sebastian	L. Viegas	A. Tannen
A. Rangeeta	K. Smith	M. Maredia	N. Pereira

The overall results were as follows :

House	Positions	Points
Helen Keller	First	6
Edith Cavell	Second	4
Joan of Arc	Third	2
Florence Nightingale	Fourth	0

Incharge : Miss C. Pereira.  
Assisted by : Mrs. A. Khan & Mrs. C. Alphonso..

#### TABLE TENNIS (GIRLS)

The academic year began with its first game for the girls - Table Tennis.

It is an exciting game and a sport that is loved by all. It is a game that involves a lot of practice to make the players perfect. The girls started their practices with a lot of enthusiasm. They had to be agile. Rapid thinking and good eye sight are also needed for this game and one's reflexes have to be quick too.

Some of the experienced players like M. D'Souza, A. Shaikh, V. Sangar and S. Tamang, knew the game and helped the new players. It gave the old players a chance to improve their game and prove their supremacy. It was a challenge for the new players to play against the experienced ones.

The matches were held from the 4th to the 15th of July and each player tried to put in her best. The Joans played very well, winning the Hoffman Cup for their houses with a score of 18 points. The Kellers came second with 10 points. There was a tie between the Cavells and Nightingales for the third position with 4 points. **Joan of Arc Helen Keller Edith Cavell Florence Nightingale**

There was a tough competition for the selection of the best player. Much effort was shown by Michelle D'Souza of Joan of Arc. So she was awarded the best player.

The participants for the Inter House Table Tennis Competition were :

Joan of Arc	Helen Keller	Edith Cavell	Florence Nightingale
<b>A Team</b>	<b>A Team</b>	<b>A Team</b>	<b>A Team</b>
M. D'Souza	S. Tamang	V. Sangar	R. Fernandez
A. Shaikh	A. Kamath	L. Viegas	S. Gupta
<b>B Team</b>	<b>B Team</b>	<b>B Team</b>	<b>B Team</b>
S. Haslem	M. Gough	M. O'Connor	C. Kumar
S. Ahire	L. Pachuau	N. D'Souza	K. Fernandez
<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>
J. Mathias	F. Ahmed	V. Sakharkar	S. Fernandez
D. Pendigrast	N. Mukadam	M. Kurita	D. Vaz

The results for the Year 1996-97 are as follows :

House	Position	Points
Joan of Arc	1st	18
Helen Keller	2nd	10
Florence Nightingale	3rd	4
Edith Cavell	3rd	4

Incharge : Miss P. Barnham

#### SOFTBALL REPORT (GIRLS)

School re-opened on the 12th of June. Soft - ball practices began on the 13th of June. There was a lot of enthusiasm and excitement shown by the girls. Even the small girls from class III and IV came for practice. Some of these girls were so tiny they could not hold the bat as it was too heavy for them. They came for practice everyday hoping they would be selected for the house team.

As the date for the Inter - house matches drew nearer, excitement and tension built up. There were some squabbles which the teachers had to settle, but generally the girls tried to be on their best behaviour.

Once again the Green house girls had very strong and experienced players.

The Blues had some strong hitters, but they were no match for the Greens.

The Reds were a very united team. But only Varsha Sangar knew how to play the game well. She tried to do her best and show her team mates how to hit the ball hard. But during the matches they got so nervous they forgot all Varsha's coaching.

The Yellows had a very strong team too. But during the matches they criticized their team mates when they made mistakes. Team morale was down to nil. Dakshita Kumar, Neelam Bharwani, Chasmita Kumar and Roma Fernandez were criticising their team mates and each other all the time. During one match a verbal fight broke out among the four. The other girls who watched this were disheartened. Their enthusiasm to play disappeared.

The participants for the Inter - House Tournament were :

Joan of Arc	Helen Keller	Edith Cavell	Florence Nightingale
J. Hodges	D. Thadani	M. O'Connor	D. Vaz
S. Haslem	M. Chandhok	M. D'Cruz	S. Shah
P. Rangeeta	N. Mukkadam	M. Maredia	W. Fernandez
S. Singh	M. Gough	N. D'Souza	C. Kumari
S. Ahire	F. Ahmed	M. Hodges	D. Kumari
D. Pendigrast	S. Shaikh	C. Peabody	S. Gupta
A. Shaikh	L. Pachuau	V. Sangar	K. Fernandez
D. Mansey	A. Kamath	L. Viegas	N. Bharwani
M. D'Souza	S. Tamang	B. Mendonsa	R. Fernandez
<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>
R. Pawar	S. Singh	V. Sakharkar	S. Dasgupta
J. Mathias	T. Gaikwad	N. Jojode	S. Fernandez
		A. Kovoor	G. Nair

The results were as follows :

House	Position	Points
Joan of Arc	1st	6
Helen Keller	2nd	4
Florence Nightingale	3rd	2
Edith Cavell	4th	0

The best player was Snehal Ahire of the Green House.

Incharge : Mrs. E. Hardy.  
Assisted by : Mrs. J. Dinger.

### THROW BALL (GIRLS)

The throwball season began soon after school re - opened for the third term. The girls were given a week to practise before deciding the teams for the Inter House Tournament. Most of the girls had represented their houses last year and were well versed with the rules of the game. However, there were a few new comers who had much to learn.

The matches were held from the 20th Jan. - 30th Jan. 1997. The first match was between Edith Cavell and Florence Nightingale. The latter having stronger players like Karen, Chasmita and Neelam naturally triumphed over the Reds. Varsha Sangar was the only good player in her team. She put up a good show during all the matches and terrorised the girls with her strong serves.

The Greens played against the Blues in the second match. This was a tough one as both the teams were equally matched in strength. Likewise, when the Yellows faced the Blues and later the Greens in the last match, they had a real tussle with each other. There were six matches in all and every match was enjoyable. The girls were excited and put in their best for every game.

Finally the Greens emerged the winners. They won all their matches and scored 6 points. They were a 'cool' yet 'confident' team with excellent players like Afsana, Michelle and Samantha. Pallavi helped her team with her strong service.

Helen Keller stood second after scoring 4 points and Florence Nightingale were placed third with 2 points. Unfortunately for the Reds they were unable to score any points

Karen Fernandez of Florence Nightingale was chosen as the best throwball player for 1997 because of her excellent performance in the game and her sporting attitude on the court.

Edith Cavell	Florence Nightingale	Joan of Arc	Helen Keller
V. Sangar (Cap.)	R. Fernandez (Cap.)	M. D'Souza (Cap.)	A. Kamath (Cap.)
L. Viegas	D. Kumar	R. Pawar	D. Thadani
C. Peabody	C. Kumar	S. Haslem	N. Mukaddam
V. Sankharkar	S. Fernandez	J. Mathias	K. Mukaddam
N. D'Souza	K. Fernandez	S. Singh	M. Gough
M. Hodges	D. Vaz	P. Ranjeeta	F. Ahmed
M. Kurita	S. Gupta	D. Pendigrast	S. Shaikh
M. Maredia	N. Bharwani	A. Shaikh	L. Pachuau
M. D'Cruz	S. Shah	S. Ahire	S. Tamang
<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Reserves</u>
B. Mendonsa	W. Fernandez	N. Singh	R. Aher
E. Dere	S. Balerao	C. Pires	T. Gaikwad

The results of the Inter-house matches were :

HOUSE	POSITION	POINTS
Joan of Arc	First	6
Helen Keller	Second	4
Florence Nightingale	Third	2
Edith Cavell	Fourth	0

Incharge : Mrs. S. Redden.  
Asst. by Mrs. L. Borle.

### What is a Child ?

What is a child ? He is a miniature adult with feelings, many tears, scratches and bruises. He is little fingers drawing his impressions of a house, a mother, a father, other children. He is a dear little person full of emotion.

A child is a face looking up, "holding wonder like a cup." He is an individual like no other in the world, with a personality all his own. He is a mind searching for answers to what makes things go and 'why does this work this way?' Or where does the wind go?

A child is a living, breathing soul whom God put in someone's care to love and to cherish, to nourish and to foster, to help along life's highway. He is a person who needs security that comes from knowing that God his Father made him and loves him.

A child is laughter and smiles and dimples and gladness. He is that special someone who brings you dandelions and fragrant crumpled clover. He is, as Gibran said, "Life's longing for itself." He is love.

Rosemary Lawler.

## THE GIRL GUIDES

A group of forty - six girls between the ages of ten to sixteen were enrolled as guides and registered at Nasik in August '96. This group of ever - enthusiastic, budding youth was divided into two Units; each unit had two sub - groups under the titles of Daffodils and Tulips which came under Unit I and Marigolds and Dahlias which came under Unit II. Leaders were appointed for each sub - group as is given below.

UNIT ONE		UNIT TWO	
DAFFODILS	TULIPS	MARIGOLDS	DAHLIAS
Miki Kurita	Amanda Waring	Pallavi Ranjita	Shweta Dutt
Anupama Kamat	Mary D'Cruz	Archana Dutt	Shairoz Momin
Shafa Rehman	Asmita Dere	Manisha Daulatani	Diana Pendigrast
Nadia Rehman	Anuranjita Pallavi	Ritu Chugani	Radhika Likhi
Vidhula Aher	Namrata Goswami	Ena Chandok	Deepika Thandani
Supriya Aher	Ekta Dere	Minal Chandok	Amrita Randhawa
Gargi Prehar	Shraddha Prabhu	Shreeyoshi Gurung	Videesha Meshram
Damyanti Rao	Jyotsna Jha	Lavnisha Singh	Samiya Shaikh
Bernadine Jackson	Dolly Khan	Kaviya Vishwanathan	Anupama Undhale
Minal Jaiswal	Sumaiya Shaikh	Neetu Singh	Neha Gupta
Nirmal Jojode	Lydia Viegas	Khushboo Dogra	Kismat Maredia
Mazida Maredia		Twinkle Gaikwad	

During the year activities of various kinds were conducted. Group leaders took the initiative and organised the following :

A skit, a group song, a group dance, a group poem etcetera. Each time they performed, they were allotted points, thus encouraging a competitive spirit among the youth who were always striving to be the best. Something they went out on "Nature Walks", where they ran around in groups collecting and making a study of the things they found. The number of day - scholars rose to thirteen this year, they showed a keen interest in belonging to the group and, in spite of conveyance being a problem they attended the weekly meetings which were held on Fridays from 4.30 - 5.30 p.m. On one occasion the following girls : Shreeyoshi, Kaviya, Radhika and Amrita walked the distance from Haig Lines to Barnes, just to be present at one of the meetings. No doubts they were delayed by half an hour; with beaming faces they explained the reason for their delay being - that of conveyance.

The most interesting activity of the year is the 'Picnic', which is something they all look forward to. This year, it was arranged to take them on the 8th March '96 to the Dharna River. Having obtained the permission of the Principal who very kindly consented to letting us have the bus make two trips to the river - side, and supplying us with packed lunch and other goodies, the picnic turned out to be the most thrilling event of the year. The first trip set out at about 9 a.m. shortly after which the second trip of children amidst sounds of joy and laughter drove out of the school gates accompanied by two teachers. At about 11 a.m. there was merry chatter heard from the whole crowd as food containers, drinking water cans etcetera were shifted from the bus to the river bank. All had to cross the river in order to reach a suitable spot under a shady tree where the rest of the day could be spent comfortably. In doing so some walked into soft, slushy soil where their feet got stuck and crossing became difficult. Some even lost their slippers; however, their screaming, shouting and laughter made the picnic a more exciting one. Having thus experienced the difficulty of their

legs and feet getting caked with clayed soil the first group of girl guides, very neatly cobbled the soft slushy area with huge stones that were lying around. This formed a kind of a rough road, preventing other girl guides from slipping, falling and dirtying themselves.

Walking up and down now became much easier. This achieved, all now settled down in groups enjoying the cool breeze and nibbling at their snacks. Just watching the river flow before them was not enough, they could not resist the tempting waters and pleaded to be allowed to paddle in the shallow part of the river. They were not denied of a dip in the water. For about two hours, under the supervision of the teachers, forty - six smiling faces were seen splashing, swimming, yelling and enjoying every minute that they spent in the cool water of the Dharna. As soon as the whistle was blown - very obediently, all were out of the water, dried themselves, changed and were ready for lunch. After enjoying a hearty meal, games were played for which prizes were awarded. Each girl guide got a gift token and Shairoz Momin of std. VII was awarded a special prize for being the best behaved girl at the picnic.

With the help of the teachers, at about 3 p.m. the guides lit two separate fires on which Kesari Bath and tea were prepared. All enjoyed it. A little later the groups - Daffodils and Tulips entertained us with two short skits, which were put across very well, each having a moral.

We were back again in school by 5.30 p.m. The day - scholars went back home and the boarders to their dormitories all taking with them happy memories of the day. Thus ended the picnic and a hectic session of the year's activities.

Miss G. Pinto  
Mrs. L. Waring.

### THE INTER-HOUSE DEBATE COMPETITION

The Inter house Debate Competition began on the 19th June, 1996, with the Green House Vs the Blue House team. The topic that was chosen for the debate was : "The quest for knowledge will lead man to his doom" The Green House team, speaking for the proposition, won handily, scoring 283 points to the Blue team's total of 256 points. Two new speakers won the honours for the day, Blossom Fernandez, (Helen Keller) placed first with 74 points and Pallivi Ranjita (Joan of Arc) placed second with 72 points.

The second debate was on the 27th June, 1996, between the Red house team and the Yellow House team. The topic for the debate was "Women in India are second class citizens". This topic saw some fierce competition with speakers vociferously being applauded by their supporters among the audience. The results showed how close the debate was : Speaking against the proposition, the Yellow House team scored 264 points to the Red house total of 263 points. Again two speakers topped the honours with Maisie O'Connor (EC) scoring 80 points and Rahul Pilikhwal (S) scoring 76 points.

The third debate was held on the 5th of July. The topic was "India must develop nuclear weapons". The debate was contested between the Reds and the Greens. The Red House Team, speaking against the proposition won easily, scoring 278 points to the Green House total of 257 points. With 79 points Maisie O'Connor of Edith Cavell was placed first, followed by Cassandra Waring of Joan of Arc, who scored 71 points.

The fourth debate was held on the 15th of July. The topic that was chosen was "Foreign Satellite

TV is ruining India's culture and traditions." Speaking against the proposition, the Yellow House team easily defeated their opponents, the Blue House Team. The Yellow scored 256 points to the Blue house total of 236 points. The best speaker was Blossom Fernandez.

The 5th debate was held on the 3rd of July, between the Reds and the blues. The topic was "Corporal punishment is essential in order to mould a child's character". Speaking for the proposition, the Reds easily won with 277 points to the Blues total of 267 points. The Best Speaker was Maisie O'Connor of Edith Cavell with 76 points and second, was Blossom Fernandez of Helen Keller with 70 points.

The sixth and final debate was held on the 31st of July. The topic was "The Indian's policy of reservations is harmful to the progress of the nation". The Yellows, speaking against the proposition, won, with 284 points. The Greens scored 281 points. Rahul Pilkhwal of Spence house, was adjudged the best speaker, scoring 71 points; Nishta Tiwari, of Florence Nightingale, also did well, scoring 70 points.

#### THE DEBATING TEAMS

GREEN HOUSE JOAN OF ARC	BLUE HOUSE HELEN KELLER	RED HOUSE EDITH CAVELL	YELLOW HOUSE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE
D. Mansey P. Ranjita C. Waring	B. Fernandez P. Fernandez R. Agarwal	M. O'Connor M. Kurita A. Mujamdar	N. Tiwari S. Gupta K. Fernandez
CANDY	GREAVES	ROYAL	SPENCE
H. Madon S. Wadhwa R. Verma	M. D'Souza N. Gubitra S. Ray	N. Moghe N. Joshi G. Ahuja	A. Rai R. Pilkhwal

#### The Combined Results

Position	House
First	Yellows - Florence Nightingale and Spence
Second	Greens - Joan of Arc and Candy
	Reds - Edith Cavell and Royal
Fourth	Blues - Helen Keller and Greaves

Incharge : D.O'Connor,  
Assisted by : Mrs. N. Rao.

" There is a higher court than courts of justice,  
and that is the court of conscience :  
It supersedes all other courts. "

Mahatma Gandhi

#### ELOCUTION AND SINGING (HOUSE) COMPETITION, Barnes School - 26th September 1996 (4.30 p.m.)

##### ELOCUTION - JUNIOR GIRLS - Under 13 Yrs.

House	Competitor	Poem	Poet	Position
Green	Amanda Waring	The Young Mouse	J. Taylor	2nd
Blue	Ramneek Oberoi	Jim	H. Belloc	2nd
Red	Majida Maridia	Sir Smasham Uppe	E. V. Riev	4th
Yellow	Nilofer Pereira	Artful Evangeline	N. Gale	1st

##### ELOCUTION - JUNIOR BOYS - Under 13 Yrs.

Green	Manish Agarwal	The Pobble Who Has No Toes	E. Lear	3rd
Blue	Carlton DeSouza	The Sportsman	A. D. Braham	4th
Red	Brendon Baker	The Night Wind	E. Field	2nd
Yellow	Richard Wen	Forgetful Pa	E. A. Guest	1st

##### ELOCUTION - SENIOR GIRLS - Above 13 Yrs.

Green	Pallavi Ranjita	Jack	E. V. Lucas	3rd
Blue	Blossom Fernandez	The Defence of Lucknow	A. L. Tennyson	2nd
Red	Maisie O'Connor	The Raven	E. A. Poe	1st
Yellow	Wendy Fernandez	The Way To Peaceful Life	Col. Batra	4th

##### ELOCUTION - SENIOR BOYS - Above 13 Yrs.

Green	Harman Madon	The Horse Shoe	J. T. Fields	3rd
Blue	Nadeem Gubitra	The Extract From The Highwayman	A. Noyes	4th
Red	Manas Moghe	The Jackdaw of Rheims	R. H. Hatuam	1st
Yellow	Richard Spitz	An Elegy on the Death of A Mad Dog	O. Goldsmith	1st

##### SINGING - JUNIOR GIRLS - Under 13 Yrs.

Green	Zainab Khan	Five Hundred Miles	4th
Blue	Katherine Smith	Nobody's Child	1st
Red	Kaveri Aswale	Summer Holiday	2nd
Yellow	Michelle Pinto	Crystal Chandeliers	3rd

##### SINGING - JUNIOR BOYS - Under 13 Yrs.

Green	Alvin Hodges	Let Me Be Your Teddy Bear	1st
Blue	Timothy Pachuav	Bad Moon Rising	2nd
Red	Melroy Macdonald	Down By The River Side	4th
Yellow	Stephan Kunder	You Are Not Alone	3rd

##### SINGING - SENIOR BOYS - Above 13 Yrs.

Green	William Taylor	That's Why You Go Away	1st
Blue	Mark D'Souza	The Wonder Of You	3rd
Red	Gaurav Ahuja	Everything I Do	4th
Yellow	Ashish Lalla	Someday	2nd

### SINGING - SENIOR GIRLS - Above 13 Yrs.

Green	Denise Mansey	Words	2nd
Blue	Michelle Gough	You Mean Everything To Me	4th
Red	Margaret Hodges	Killing Me Softly	3rd
Yellow	Saberi Dasgupta	Spanish Night Is Over	1st

### SINGING HOUSE CHORUSES - JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Greens :	Joan of Arc & Candy . . .	It is no Secret what God can do
Blues :	Helen Keller & Greaves . . .	Una Paloma Blanca
Reds :	Edith Cavell & Royal . . .	Constantly
Yellow :	Florence Nightingale & Spence . . .	Raindrops on Roses

Mr. A.R. Baker (Principal) acknowledges with sincere thanks the co-operation of :

The Judges :	1. Mrs. L. Bajuja	2. Mrs. S. D. Costa
	3. Maj. E. Khatri	4. Mr. M. Thorpe (Memory)
The Staff :	1. Mrs. A. Baker (Sr. Boys)	
	2. Mrs. H. Uberai (Sr. Girls)	
	3. Mrs. S. D'Souza (Jr. Girls)	
	4. Mr. D. O'Connor (Jr. Boys)	
	5. Mr. & Mrs. D. Hardy (Singing Girls Solo)	
	6. Mr. K. Ryder (Singing Solo Boys)	
	7. Miss M. Verghese (House Choruses)	
	8. Miss G. Pinto & Mr. V. Frederick (Recorders)	
	9. Mrs. S. Frederick (Certificates)	

and all the staff who have helped in any way with the Singing and Elocution Programme.

### COMBINED HOUSE RESULTS

House	Grand Total	Position
Yellow Spence & Florence Nightingale	606	1st
Red Royal & Edith Cavell	591	2nd
Green Candy & Joan of Arc	586	3rd
Blue Greaves & Helen Keller	579	4th

### THE ANNUAL SCHOOL PLAY

The Annual School Play is always scheduled for any convenient end of November Friday or Saturday. This year the date chosen was 30th November Saturday. Unlike the Annual Athletics, the Cross Country or any other "big" event of school life, a fewer people are involved in the preparation of the Annual School Play - nevertheless, quietly, almost as if it were literally behind the scene - and doggedly practices are conducted day in and day out. Actions are perfected, dialogue delivery corrected, expression righted - and slowly the players are moulded into types that they have chosen to cast. For most of the young cast, this is their maiden and major experience of the stage - and what theatrical performances are all about. The plays that we stage here in Barnes have always been of lengthy duration, usually of 2 hours and staged the world over by professional actors. This year's play was no exception. The 'ageless' play "The Mouse Trap" by Agatha Christie enacted many times over professionally and amateurishly practically all over the country and the world was staged

at Evans Hall on Saturday, 30th November. The great hall was packed to capacity by invitees and ticket holders. The Barnes School Annual Play is a much looked forward to event now in Deolali and Nasik; and this heartening response is indeed a reward in itself to the cast and those directing who have spent many a weary hour rehearsing in the great hall and giving up many an evening to produce a laudable performance for the school. No perfection can be achieved in any form of art except by perseverance, diligence and hard work, and stage craft is nothing but a form of art. Sometimes there would be power failure but practices would carry on in candle light ! Pep talk was constantly given to the young actors to boost their morale. Several stage adjustments had to be made and setting hurdles to overcome but eventually everything fell into place just as pieces of a giant jigsaw and a great piece of art unravelled and enthralled an appreciative audience on 30th November. All that those involved with the play seek, is entertaining the audience and the latter's appreciation is their only reward. Here an acknowledgement must be made of the unstinted support that was extended by various departments of the school in the successful production of the play. A mention of these has been made in the credits at the end of this report. Our grateful thanks to them. Many had already witnessed this play staged by professionals in Delhi, Bombay and even abroad. Therefore, earnest praise from these quarters generated great euphoria in all those involved with the play.

The Chief Guest for the evening was Lt. General Vinay Shankar of the School of Artillery. The General nominated Denise Mansey for the Best Performer's Award but commented that he had found it difficult to single out one performance when, in his opinion, all the players seemed to be equally deserving.

After the play there was dinner and dance enjoyed by all especially by the caste. This was their big evening.

A brochure is brought out every year on the occasion of the Annual School Play - an appeal to all to donate generously to the building fund of the school. The massive school buildings need constant tending to from the ravages of time and those inflicted by the Artillery guns that boom in the ranges right behind and earthquake these buildings. We hope that donors would be more generous.

Mrs. A. Baker

### " THE MOUSETRAP "

BY

Agatha Christie

THE CAST

(In order of their appearance)

Mollie Ralston	--	Denise Manse
Giles Ralston	--	Mohit Bijlani
Christopher Wren	--	Mark D'Souza
Mrs Boyle	--	Pallavi Ranjita
Major Metcalf	--	Siddharth Bhavnani
Miss Casewell	--	Michelle D'Souza
Mr. Paravicini	--	Pankil Patel
Detective Sergeant Trotter	--	Sheel Wadhwa
Prompters and Stage - helpers	--	Dhaval Dhutia
		Alfred Jhonson
		Asghar Pathan
		Sarita Tamang
		Rhett Lewis

## SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

### ACT ONE

- Scene I : The Great Hall at Monkswell Manor  
Time : Late afternoon
- Scene II : The same  
Time : The Following day after lunch

### ACT TWO

The same . Ten minutes later  
Time : the present  
Decor : Mrs. A. Baker

### THE STORY (A Murder Mystery in 2 Acts) By Agatha Christie

The seeds of many a human tragedy lie in unhappy childhood. A scarred Childhood gives birth to many a psychopathic Killer, crazed humans or unhappy persons in general. Such is the theme of "The Mousetrap"

Three children, the Corrigan, two boys and a girl, were brought before court as in need of care and protection. A home was found for them with Mr. and Mrs. Stanning at Longridge farm the youngest boy subsequently died as the result of criminal neglect and persistent ill-treatment. The Stannings were sentenced to imprisonment. Stanning died in prison Mrs. Stanning, however served her sentence and was duly released. One day after her release, she was found stranded at twenty-four Culver Street. A notebook was picked up on the scene of crime. In the note book were written two addresses.

Below the two addresses was written "Three Blind Mice" and on the dead woman's body was a paper with "This is the First" written on it, and below the words, a drawing of three little mice and a bar of music.

One address in the note book was 24, Culver street. The second address mentioned Monkswell Manor - the scene of present action of the play.

The Manor has been converted into a Guest House by the present owners - Mollie and Giles Ralston. It is a very cold night and Monkswell Manor is all a set to receive its first guest - Mrs. Boyle, Major Metcalf, Miss Casewell and Mr. Wren. There is an unexpected guest too.

One of those gathered at Monkswell Manor has some connection with the Longridge farm - one or perhaps two of them - for whom the Killer will come to Monkswell Manor - says Sergeant Trotter who has been sent by the police to try and prevent a second killing by the psychopath. And then a murder takes place at the Manor - obviously Sergeant Trotter's presence has not helped. Obviously there is a psychopath amongst them - and there is a third intended victim.

The question now is who is the psychopath and who is the intended victim ?

## Credits

- Mr. A. D'Souza and Mrs. A. Baker for Directing the Play.
- Mrs. A. Baker for producing the Play.
- The Cast who have rehearsed for more than a month.
- Mr. B. Henderson for compiling the Brochure and for his and Mr. Waring's untiring efforts to secure advertisements and complimentary pages for the Brochure.
- The pupils, class and subject Teachers of every class in the school for their contribution to the Brochure.
- For sale of Tickets - Mrs. V. Thorpe, Miss. L. Fernandez, Mrs. S. Subedar, Mrs. H. Uberai and Mrs. T. Nanda.
- Norvicson Advertising for designing the Brochure Cover.
- Wardrobe and Properties and other assistance - Mrs. R. DeSouza and Mr. P. Dinger.
- Make-up Mr. D. Correa, Mrs. E. Correa and Mrs. S. D'Souza.
- Sound effects - Mr. Alec D'Souza.
- Maintenance Staff - Mr. R. Waring and Mr. D. Robins, Bairu, Namdeo and Lazarus.
- The Office Staff - Dispatching appeals and other clerical work in connection with the production.
- Mr. Borle and the Mess Staff for tea and snacks for the cast.
- Mrs. R. DeSouza and the tailors - Babu, Murli and Muthu Swami.
- B. K. Kakad, Ratan Sirsat (Electricians) and M. Bhalerao (Painter and polisher).
- Milton Studio - Photographs.
- Advertisers, Donors and Ex-Students for their contribution to the brochure.
- All freinds and well-wisher for their general interest and help
- Mr. Varma of Kamla Printing press for printing the Brochure in record time.
- All assistance received too late for publication.

## THE NATIVITY PLAY AND CAROL SERVICE

"Deck the hall with boughs of holly,  
Fah, la, la, la, la, la, la, la  
'Tis the season to be jolly,  
Fah, la, la, la, la, la, la, la, la !"

That's the note on which the Nativity Play and Carol service began on December 12th 1996. A hundred and fifty - three children including the junior choir took part this year and each little one put his or her heart and soul into the play. Each of them did their best to make the play a success.

Rev.(Mrs) Kamble conducted the service, there were Carols and Bible readings on the birth of Christ. Fifty six children from the fifth to the ninth standard comprised the choir group and sang the carols in their sweetest voices. They were accompanied by Miss M. Verghese, the teacher in charge for training them on the 'Yamaha'.

As Catherine Smith narrated the Christmas story the beautiful Nativity scene unfolded before the enraptured audience; who were most appreciative and joined in the Carol singing.

The choir sang 'Little Donkey - little donkey ...' as Mary, played by Natasha Vaz, and Joseph, played by Tyronne Pinto, trudged wearily along with their little donkey ( Pandurang Pabitwar) trailing along behind them. They enquired of the three innkeepers for a room to stay and were finally allowed to rest in the stable. Michael Obidiki, Malcolm MacDonald and Ashraf Shaikh were the three innkeepers. They led Mary and Joseph to the lowly stable where the Christ Child was born.

The stage was transformed into a warm and cozy stable with plenty of animal props and hay and two little boys namely Andrew Canday and Allan Sebastian dressed up as sheep to complete the picture.

There were plenty of Angels both big and little, pretty and angelic they performed their parts to perfection. Diana Pendigrast played Angel Gabriel while the littlest of the little angels was Naomi Alphonso. Eighteen little shepherds seated on a hill in the corner of the hall received the good; news of the birth of Christ from the angels on the balcony above; while the ever intriguing star captivated the audience and shone upon the three kings. It stopped at the stable and the kings worshipped and presented their gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh to the new born Babe.

Lavina Thakker and Slade Peters were the Christmas and New Year Fairies respectively. Then Santa Claus played by Gulam Khan along with his assistant Ryan Redden and Mother Christmas with her little assistant Philip then pranced into the hall to the jolly tune of 'Jingle Bells'. The audience joined in and the festive spirit was certainly heralded in with much gusto.

The children were given a packet of eats as a reward for all their efforts. We thank Mr. Borle for sending the staff tea and organising the eats for the little ones. The teachers who helped Miss Verghese (She planned, organised and directed the whole show successfully) were Mrs. E. Hardy, Mrs. S. Redden, Mrs. L. Waring. Miss P. Barnham and Miss C. Pereira. Mrs. R. DeSouza and Miss G. Pinto along with Mrs. C. Alphonso, Mrs. N. Nair and Mrs. C. Peters were very cheerful and enthusiastic volunteers whose helping hands made work lighter - many thanks to them. The hall certainly wore a festive look with the innumerable decorations which were most lovingly and painstakingly made by Miss Verghese. We also extend our thanks to Mr. R. Waring. Mr. D. Robins and their workers who helped with the more arduous tasks that the ladies couldn't do.

The Principal, Mr. A. Baker rung the curtain down the evening with a Christmas message of love and peace and asked us all to take a lesson from the little ones on stage whose performance portrayed all the good virtues that Christmas is all about. He said that with all the evil going on around us in the world today, we ought to spread the spirit of good will, sharing and caring among our fellow men; and with that inspirational message another year came to an end !

Mrs. L. Waring.

## STUDY CUPS

Marks are not given from Nursery to IV and hence these classes are not considered for points for the Study Cups.

The percentage marks of every pupil for the first and second Terminal Exams are recorded. The points are awarded to these percentages according to the Table given below :

PLUS POINTS		MINUS POINTS	
40% to 45.9%	- +1	35% to 39.9%	- -1
46 to 50.9%	- +2	30 to 34.9%	- -2
51 to 55.9%	- +3	25 to 29.9%	- -3
56 to 60.9%	- +4	20 to 24.9%	- -4
61 to 65.9%	- +5	15 to 19.9%	- -5
66 to 70.9%	- +6	10 to 14.9%	- -6
71 to 75.9%	- +7	5 to 9.9%	- -7
76 to 80.9%	- +8	0 to 4.9%	- -8
81 to 85.9%	- +9		
86 and above	- +10		

Then Housewise grand totals are made and these are divided by the number of pupils to get the Study Cup Quotient.

$$\text{Study Cup Quotient} = \frac{\text{Total Points}}{\text{No. of Pupils}}$$

The House with the largest Study Cup Quotient wins the Study Cup.

Details for Tayebally Study Cup for Girls and Blanden Study Shield for Boys are given below:

### TAYEBALLY STUDY CUP FOR GIRLS - 1995 - 96

CLASSES	J.A.		H.K.		E.C.		F.N.	
	Pupils	Points	Pupils	Points	Pupils	Points	Pupils	Points
5A	1	+9	3	+8	6	+13	3	-5
5B	2	+5	2	-2	2	+11	2	+4
5C	3	+24	1	+7	4	+28	2	+11
6A	3	+13	3	+8	3	-3	1	-14
6B	6	+26	4	+19	3	+3	5	+18
6C	3	+4	3	+9	6	+29	4	+14
7A	1	+5	2	+3	8	+13	3	-5
7B	3	+7	6	+14	6	+23	2	+5
7C	5	+11	1	+1	3	+5	2	+9
8A	1	+2	3	+3	4	+8	2	+0
8B	1	+3	3	+9	2	+13	-	-
8C	2	+6	3	+13	5	+19	4	+9
9A	3	+4	1	+3	3	+12	2	-2
9B	2	+8	3	+5	3	-5	4	-4
9C	1	+3	4	+3	3	+10	3	+9
10A	4	-1	2	+4	1	+6	4	-3
10B	3	0	2	+4	4	+11	-	-
TOTAL	44	129	48	111	66	196	43	46

Study Cup	129/44	111/48	196/66	46/43
Quotient	2.93	2.31	2.97	1.07
Position	2nd	3rd	1st	4th
Pts.				
for KEILY	6	4	8	2

### BLANDEN STUDY CUP FOR BOYS

CLASSES	CANDY		GREAVES		ROYAL		SPENCE	
	Pupils	Points	Pupils	Points	Pupils	Points	Pupils	Points
5A	7	+21	4	+17	12	+33	8	+15
5B	5	-2	9	+06	15	+31	8	+22
5C	9	+47	10	+30	4	+9	11	+51
6A	8	-4	4	-3	10	+5	11	+3
6B	12	+9	6	0	3	+2	6	-6
6C	7	+10	9	+5	8	+11	5	+15
7A	5	+11	4	+2	4	+7	7	+07
7B	9	+11	3	-2	6	+13	2	+01
7C	1	00	7	+16	3	-05	7	+02
8A	3	+07	7	+12	9	+08	3	+13
8B	4	+07	5	+10	3	+04	13	+7
8C	2	+05	3	-1	10	-06	4	-10
9A	7	+19	7	+12	3	+07	2	-04
9B	1	-01	4	+06	3	-02	5	-07
9C	5	+07	4	-01	3	+02	3	-02
10A	5	-04	4	+01	8	+02	6	+16
10B	11	+08	2	+04	4	+13	5	+03
TOTAL	109	+151	92	+120	108	+134	106	+126
Study Cup	151/109		120/92		134/108		126/106	
Quotient	1.39		1.30		1.24		1.19	
Position	1st		2nd		3rd		4th	
Pts. For HODGE	8		6		4		2	

### KEILY SHIELD FOR GIRLS

GAMES AND ACTIVITIES	J.A.	H.K.	E.C.	F.N.
TABLE TENNIS	4	3	1.5	1.5
SOFTBALL	4	3	1	2
DEBATE	3	2	4	1
P.T./GYM.	4	2	3	1
ELO./SINGING	1	3.5	2	3.5
SWIMMING (Not Held)	-	-	-	-
ATHLETICS	4	3	1	2
THROWBALL	4	3	1	2
BASKETBALL	4	3	2	1
BADMINTON	4	3	2	1
HOCKEY	2	4	3	1

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STUDY	6	4	8	2
TOTAL POINTS	40	33.5	28.5	18
POSITION	1st	2nd	3rd	4th

Keily Shield won by Joan of Arc House.  
 Speck combined Trophy to - Greens - Joan of Arc & Candy.  
 Elocution and Singing Trophy to - Florence Nightingale & Spence.  
 Trophy for Debate to - Yellows - Florence Nightingale & Spence.  
 King Trophy for Athletics - Greens - Joan of Arc & Spence.  
 Lumley Medal Panel - Sarita Tamang, Maisie O'Connor, Lyn Pachuau, Pallavi Ranjita, Michelle D'Souza.  
 Lumley Medal to - Sarita Tamang.  
 Best Day Scholar Prefect - M. O'Connor  
 Best Boarder Prefect - Sarita Tamang  
 Sportswoman of 95-96 - Michelle Gough.

Mrs. S. D'Souza

### HODGE SHIELD FOR BOYS

GAMES AND ACTIVITIES	CANDY	GREAVES	ROYAL	SPENCE
FOOTBALL	4	1	3	2
CROSSCOUNTRY	1	2	3	4
DEBATE	2	2	2	4
P.T./GYM	4	1	3	2
ELO./SINGING	3.5	1	2	3.5
SWIMMING	-	-	-	-
DIVING	-	-	-	-
ATHLETICS	4	1	2	3
CRICKET	3.5	1	2	3.5
VOLLEYBALL	4	2	2	2
BASKETBALL	2	3	1	4
TABLE TENNIS	1	4	3	2
HOCKEY	1	4	3	2
BOXING	4	3	1	2
STUDY	8	6	4	2
TOTAL POINTS	42	31	31	36
POSITION	1st	3rd	3rd	2nd

HODGE SHIELD WON BY CANDY HOUSE  
 SPECK COMBINED TROPHY TO GREENS - JOAN OF ARC & CANDY.  
 ELOCUTION & SINGING TROPHY TO - YELLOWS - FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE & SPENCE.  
 TROPHY FOR DEBATE TO - YELLOWS - FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE & SPENCE.  
 KING TROPHY FOR ATHLETICS - GREENS - JOAN OF ARC & CANDY.  
 LUMLEY MEDAL PANEL - VIJAY PAHUJA, GAURAV AHUJA, RAHUL PILKHWAL.  
 LUMLEY MEDAL TO - RAHUL PILKHWAL.

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BEST DAY SCHOLAR PREFECT - RAHUL PILKHWAL  
BEST BOARDER PREFECT - JOHNSON MATHEW.  
SPORTS MAN OF 1996-97 - WILLIAM TAYLOR.

Mr. M. Thorpe

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### Messages on Republic and Independence Day

Respected Principal, members of the Staff and my fellow students,

Today is 26th January and on this day we celebrate the making of India into a Republic.

26th of January was specially chosen for the promulgation of our constitution because of its special significance in our struggle for freedom. Since 1950, 26th January began to be celebrated as Republic Day.

On every Republic Day we reaffirm that India is a great democratic country and the citizens of India have equal rights irrespective of caste, creed and religion. However, the constitution which ought to be sacred has been greatly violated in recent times. The need of our country - the need of the hour is National Integration. It means that all components of the country unite with solidarity.

Selfishness is the main cause of disintegration. People think of small interests. They do not think of the whole country. The selfishness of the leaders does the greatest harm. They think only of their own profit and pride. If we do not fight together any foreign power will reduce us to a very miserable state or enslave us.

It's time that we the youth of the country come forward to save the country from the impending doom, to save our heritage, handed down to us by our founding fathers, who were men of great national consciousness. Confucius said "To demand much from oneself and little from others is the way for a ruler to banish discontent". However, looking at the discontent all around us and in us we can see that our rulers demand much from others and little from themselves.

Unity alone can make us strong. Therefore let us unitedly say.

JAI HIND !

William Taylor  
(Head Boy)

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Today is a very auspicious day for us Indians as it marks the 47th year of the formation of our Republic. On this day forty seven years ago our constitution came into force.

Let me tell you why the 26th of January and not any other day was selected as our Republic Day. Prior to this the congress session (at Lahore 1929) had declared the 26th of January as "Purna Swaraj Day" or "complete independence day". This was in 1930. Hence our leaders thought that this day would be ideal to promulgate our constitution. However, at that time one of our founding fathers, Dr. Ambedkar had said, "By independence we have lost the excuse of blaming the British

for anything going wrong. If hereafter anything goes wrong, nobody is to be blamed but ourselves. Dr. Ambedkar was right. Now we have no scapegoat and therefore our leaders must accept the responsibility for the chaotic state that the country is in today. We no longer feel proud of our leaders like we used to. Everyday newspapers report of shameless acts of greed and hoarding by the so called leaders of today.

As the younger generation now it becomes our duty to strive for a better tomorrow to raise India to a greater height of glory. As Plato said, "The punishment of wise men who refuse to take part in the affairs of government, is to live under the government of unwise men."

Therefore dear friends let us - each one of us be determined to do our best for our country and our fellow men. Let us take part in the affairs of the government by each one contributing a little selflessness and honesty to the country.

JAI HIND !

Saberi DasGupta  
(Head Girl)

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Respected Principal, Staff and my dear fellow students,

Today is the forty ninth Independence Day. On this day 49 years ago we broke the shackles of imperialism. This is a day for celebrations as well as a day for us to take stock of our achievements and failures.

On this day we pay our tributes to all those who laid down their lives while fighting for the independence and also to our leaders like Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Maulana Azad, Sardar Patel, Sarojini Naidu and numerous others known and unknown contributors. Those men and women laid the foundation of the greatest democracy of the world. This democracy has survived the test of time when many democracies around us crumbled. During these 49 years, India has come a long way from a famine stricken country of hungry people to an exporter of good grain. Not only have we seen the green revolution but we have made progress in industrial, technical and scientific fields. We have also entered the exclusive club of atomic powers and have made considerable gains in space technology.

But we still have a long way to go. We still have millions of our country men living below the poverty line. Now it is our job to be one and stop the many wrong things that are happening all around us. We have to devote ourselves to wipe away all the evils from our country because we are the future and hopes of India.

So let's say together.

JAI HIND !

William Taylor

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### A V. I. P. VISITS HIS ALMA MATER

On Monday the 1st of July Mr. Baker told us at assembly that he had received a telephone call from an ex-student of Barnes who was now an Air Marshal in the Indian Air Force. His arrival was

scheduled for the following Saturday the 6th. As a special treat for the children, Air Marshal Tipnis arranged to have himself visit the school in a helicopter.

We were all excited by the news and our excitement grew when a few days later some Air Force Personnel arrived in a fire - engine to convert our hockey field into a make - shift helipad. They marked out a circle about twenty feet in diameter and marked it with a huge 'H' after which it was thoroughly sprayed with water. Several times in the day we heard helicopters apparently on reconnaissance mission of examining the preparations for the safe landing of the Air Marshal's helicopter.

On Saturday the 6th everyone's excitement increased and there were heated discussions as to the colour and size of the helicopter. At around 10.30 a.m. all the children filed down in their school uniform to the field. The children as well as the staff assembled there to greet the Air Marshal. In case of any emergency there was a fully equipped fire - engine present but thankfully there was no need for it.

We were pleased to see that four other ex - students from the Air Marshal's batch had motored down to grace the occasion. At around 11.00 a.m. a tiny speck appeared over the horizon and all eyes riveted on it as it grew and ultimately attained the size and shape of a blue helicopter. As the helicopter started its descent, gusts of wind started swirling, lashing and whipping up clouds of dust. We had to shield our eyes from these dust laden gusts.

Air Marshal Tipnis emerged from the cockpit, while his wife and Personal Assistant came out of the main compartment. He met the Principal and was introduced to Senior members of the staff present as well as the prefects. He was particularly interested in meeting the House Master and prefects of Greaves House, this having been his house during his school years. The children were sent up to Evans Hall to reassemble and be properly introduced to the Air Marshal.

Once everyone assembled the head - boy and head - girl went up to the Air Marshal and presented him with a bouquet of flowers. The Principal introduced the Air Marshal to us giving us a brief sketch of his life and career. He also introduced to us the other ex - students of the Air Marshal's batch. They were Sam Mistry who was head - boy in 1955 (when the Air Marshal was in school); Sayed Mohd. Hussain who was prefect of Candy House at the same time; Bharat Oza who was in the same class and Gordon Cole who was one year senior to the four. The Principal presented to each of them ties and lapel pins with the Barnes School crest. Then he handed over the microphone to the Air Marshal who proceeded to regale us on the many adventures he had during his tenure at Barnes. He encouraged us to work harder and hoped that one day he too would see someone from Barnes in a high office in the country.

The Air Marshal presented us with several photographs of different types of Indian air crafts for the library. He also presented his Alma Mater with a monetary gift. The head - boy then, playing on the mellow mood created, asked if the children might have a social that night and the latter graciously granted the request.

The children then sang the school song with the Air Marshal and his wife joining in lustily. We were then dismissed. The Air Marshal granted us permission to go down to the field so that we might examine the helicopter more closely. He himself went on a tour of the dormitories and reminisced about the times when he lived within those four walls. After this he went to lunch at the Principal's residence.

The Air Marshal regretted his not being able to stay for the social that night on account of pressing matters back in Delhi. Thus about 5.00 p.m. the great propeller blades of his helicopter lifted him up and transported him back to Delhi. The social that night, lasted till 11.30 p.m.

Without doubt the Air Marshal's visit to the school will remain in the minds and hearts of teachers and students alike for a long time to come. He will always serve as a shining example to all of us and show us how high we can rise with all that we learn in Barnes and with our own hard work.

Mark D'souza  
Std. IX - A

#### FOUNDER'S DAY

Our Founder's Day falls on the 29th of January. However, this year it was celebrated with a difference. The celebrations began with the Chapel service. To honour this auspicious day and to get God's blessing, we have this Chapel service where we sing hymns, then there are readings from the Bible followed by a sermon from the priest. We pray for our founding fathers, our former headmasters, the school and its students.

The fete is a part of the celebrations which is usually held after the Chapel service. However, this year we held the fete on the Republic Day. Being a Sunday, the school authorities felt that parents would be able to come for the fete. The fete is an occasion much looked forward to by all the students as on this day they can eat to their heart's content. It is also a very relaxing day. The teachers put up stalls, sell eatables and run interesting games.

This year there were thirty five stalls. The playground in front of Haig Brown (the girls block) was looking colourful and busy. There was a festive feeling in the air. Now to begin with the stalls, there was Mr. D'Souza and Mr. Hardy's 'Chinese Dragon'. The Chinese Noodles were very delicious and the stall was always bustling with people. It was a pretty hot day and Mrs. Thorpe's sugarcane juice stall helped to quench our thirst a bit. In addition to this, there was Mr. O'Connor's cold drink stall. The day being very hot, it seemed as if they did good business. Furthermore, Mr. Khan had an ice-cream stall As much liked by children as well as adults, he did profitable business. Mrs. D'Cruz had a lassi stall and people liked the lassi because of its Punjabi taste. Now for some hot stuff- Mrs. Swing had a stall of frankies, burgers and Sabudana wada and I must say that there was some magic in her hands because of which she was able to make such delicious items. Mr. Nair had a stall of Pani puris which were no less than those sold at Juhu Beach. Mrs. Uberoi had a Chaat stall which was really hot. Mr. Rao had a hot dog stall and the hot dogs were really very delicious. Mrs. Rao had keema paratha stall. One of the most popular stalls was that of Mrs. Baker selling matar paneer, Puri shami,kebab, chocolates and butter-chicken which brought water to almost everyone's mouth and her cooking was much appreciated by the people. Mrs. Ahmed had the mutton biryani stall. Miss Pinto's stall was that of pastries. Mrs. Goel's and Mrs. Rehman's stall sold kebab and gulab jamun. Then there was Mrs. Waring's stall of kheema paratha. For the first time something new was introduced for the fete which was much liked by the people. It was Mrs. Gurung's stall of "momos".

There were many fascinating games too. Mr. Fernandez's stall, Lucky seven, was lucky for some and unlucky for others. Many people tried their luck and were fortunate enough to get their money doubled. 'Ring the bottle' was run by Mr. Dinger. Mrs. Isaac had the Giant Wheel and merry-go-round stall and children enjoyed themselves very much at this stall. Mr. Isaac had the game of hitting the object. It was a real difficult task, to hit the object hanging from a rope with the stick, because of a black cloth wound around the eyes. Many people tried to accomplish the task but were unsuccessful. There was Do-Ka-das Put up by Mr. Kokne. Cricket and football are the two games which are enjoyed

all over India. Similarly, Mr. Henderson's Cricket and Football stall too fascinated many people specially the boys. Among the other games stalls were Mr. Alphonso's hitting the ping-pong ball, Miss Verghese's nine pins, Miss Barnham's WWF game, Miss Pereira's razzle-dazzle, Mrs. Robins Lucky Dip, Miss Fernandez's roulette, Mrs. Hardy's Chocolate wheel, Mr. Ryder's dart game, Mr. Gadre's try your luck, Mr. Frederick's and Mrs Correa's hoopla and Mr. Correa's "Hungry Tom". Everyone enjoyed playing these exciting games.

The music stall by Mr. Waring and Mr. Alphonso was the cynosure of the fete and helped to cheer everyone up and was always crowded with children wanting their messages and requests to be forwarded to their special ones.

The highlight of the day was the raffle - a mountain of chocolates. Each of us held our breath while our dear Principal, Mr. Baker, drew the lucky number. Our expectations were dashed to the ground as this year one of the ex - students won it.

As the fete drew to a close, we were hoping for a social to round off an exciting day. We were also hoping for a holiday the next day and true to our expectations our beloved Principal made our wishes come true. We were so happy to have the Social where we could dance our feet off and the holiday to rest them the following day.

All of us wish we had fetes more often to give us a break from the school's stereotype life.

Pallavi Ranjita

### THE JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS

The Junior School Sports is a separate event from the Senior Athletic Meet when children from Nursery to Std IV are given a chance to participate in a variety of races. These two days of heats and races are popularly known as "The Mini Olympics", and are generally held in the third week of October.

This year the Mini Olympics were held on the 24th and 25th October. After days of bright sunshine, the 23rd evening suddenly brought thunderous clouds and a heavy deluge for about one hour, causing the anxious Juniors hearts to drop desolately, wondering if the Sports would be possible the next day. Fortunately, the rain, did stop and did not recur the following morning, and, though the sky was overcast we were able to have the Athletics field on the 24th morning, to commence our races.

These two days were fun filled ones for all; the teachers in a relaxed and benevolent mood, indulging the exuberance of the children and enjoying their antics and efforts in the various races. It was fun to see all the little ones earnestly trying to do their best in the races, the winners triumphant and the rest a little disconsolate, but sporting nonetheless.

The variety of races, lively music over the loudspeaker and picnic lunch on the field, made for a well deserved break, for the teachers and children, from the normal routine of school work.

The prize winners anxiously awaited their little "prize packets" and as Mr. Baker, the Principal was out of station, the Vice Principal, Mr. Thorpe, distributed the prizes at Assembly, a few days later, with congratulations to the winners and words of encouragement to the rest.

The Sports, though organised by Mrs. Dinger and myself would not be possible without the help and co-operation of many others, who deserve a special word of thanks here, namely all the teachers

from the Nursery to Std. IV, the two Junior school ayahs - Sushila and Renuka, Mr. Waring, Mr. Robins and their workers and last but not least Mr. Borle who regularly provides cold drinks for teachers on these two days.

Thank you to all !

The results of the races are as follows :

			Bhushan Bhutada ]	IV A	2nd
			A. K. Arun		
<b>Bunny Hop Race (Girls)</b>			Nitesh Patel ]	IV C	3rd
Gwendoline Dinger	Prep A	1st	Jaymin Mongrolia		
Urvashi Mishra	Prep A	2nd			
Namita Kamboj	Prep A	3rd			
<b>Bunny Hop Race (Boys)</b>			<b>Hopping on one Leg (Girls)</b>		
Rahul Zunj	Nur	1st	Gabriella Dinger	II A	1st
Dalton Wilson	Prep A	2nd	Hanna Shaikh	II C	2nd
Romy Gill	Prep A	3rd	Tushita Vidhale	I C	3rd
<b>Side Stepping Race (Girls)</b>			<b>Frog's Leap (Boys)</b>		
Harpreet Bains	Prep B	1st	Arun Thakkar	I A	1st
Kulpreet Rawaz	I A	2nd	Nitin Thombre	II A	2nd
Sanjokta Chaddha	Prep B	3rd	Amit Pagar	I A	3rd
<b>Balancing The Ruler (Boys)</b>			<b>Crazy Tails Race (Boys)</b>		
Foor Khan Ahmed	I B	1st	Umakant Thakur	II B	1st
Rohit Thakur	Prep A	2nd	Salman Ansari	II A	2nd
Latish Choudhary	Prep A	3rd	Ripudaman Dadhwal	II B	3rd
<b>Button you Shirts Race (Boys)</b>			<b>Hop Together Race (Boys)</b>		
Sagar Kakrale	II C	1st	Kunal Deshmukh	IV C	1st
Rajnish Gupta	II C	2nd	Vilas Katkar	III C	2nd
Nikhil Mishra	III A	3rd	Kaushik Singh	III A	3rd
<b>Lime and Spoon Race (Girls)</b>			<b>Fan Race (Girls)</b>		
Neha Thakur	IV B	1st	Yeshika Budhwar	IV C	1st
Rechal Gunjal	IV A	2nd	Rhonda Fernandez	IV C	2nd
Nidhi Jain	IV C	3rd	Sandhya Kareer	IV A	3rd
<b>Bouncing the Ball (Boys)</b>			<b>Jumbled Shoes Race (Girls)</b>		
Nitin Magodia	II C	1st	Komal Meherolia	II C	1st
Bharat Dharodia	II C	2nd	Neha Jha	II C	2nd
Nikhil Gaikwad	II B	3rd	Chayya Sonawane	II B	3rd
<b>Crab Race (Boys)</b>			<b>50 m. Flat Race (Boys)</b>		
Ajau Zunj ]	IV B	1st	Darryl Peabody	IV A	1st
Dhawal Pandey ]			Mahindra Rathi	IV B	2nd
			Amit Khade	III A	3rd

Results of the Prep House Races held at the Senior Athletics Meet on the 8th November 1996.

<b>Tiny Tots Flat Race</b>			<b>Clown Race (Boys)</b>		
Allan Sebastian		1st	Sanjay Mane		1st
Andrew Canday		2nd	Deepak Jain		2nd
Shaikh Md. Yousef		3rd	Vijendra Negi		3rd

**Sack Race (Boys)**

Ishaan Kovoov  
Manik Mishra  
Hardik Ved

1st  
2nd  
3rd

**Three Legged Race (Girls)**

Heena Jivani & Fizza Sierrer  
Kranti Wadmare & Nikita Sebastian  
Nupur Chauhan & Steffy Sebastian

1st  
2nd  
3rd

Organisers : Mrs. S. D'Souza &  
Mrs. J. Dinger

**THE JUNIOR SCHOOL ELOCUTION COMPETITION**

Another interesting and very popular event of the Junior School is the Inter - Class Elocution competition. For months before the teachers get busy, searching around for suitable poems for their classes to recite, and, eventually we do have an interesting variety of poems.

This year, someone humourously commented in the staff room one day, "Are you going to the Dog Show in Evans Hall ? ..... What on earth ? ..... It was the Junior School Elocution competition that was being referred to ! No less than four classes had chosen poems about dogs thus, creating a very "doggy" atmosphere all around ! However, as most of the residents of Barnes are dog lovers, no one really minded and anyway most children do love reading or reciting about animals, so the theme was not over done !.

This competition is held annually and groups of children from each class from Nursery to Std. VI recite. There are three competitive groups namely :

**Group I**

Stds. I A, B, C and stds. II A, B, C

**Group II**

Stds. III A, B, C and Stds. VI A, B, C

**Group III**

Stds. V A, B, C and Stds. VI A, B, C

The classes receiving the most points in each group are declared the winners, after being judged on diction, pronunciation, clarity of speech and presentation. All this helps in good speech training for the children.

Our judges this year were Mrs. R. Gadre, our former Junior Headmistress, Miss M. Verghese, our Music Mistress and her sister Mrs. M. Done, a frequent visitor and well wisher of Barnes. Our sincere thanks to them for helping us out with the difficult task of judging.

The programme lasted about an hour and a half and it was interesting to watch each child trying his or her best, hoping desperately for their class to be the winner. At the end of the programme

Mr. Baker encouraged the children with words of praise for their efforts and then announced the winners of the three delicious cakes, baked and tastefully decorated by the school baker.

Unfortunately, even though all do their best, some have to win and others not, so once again there were triumphant cheers from the lucky classes and disappointment for the rest. But never mind Juniors, there is always another year and something else to strive for around the corner !.

My sincere thanks to all the teachers from the Nursery to Std. VI for training their classes to elocute, to those in the maintenance and tailoring department for helping with setting up the hall for the function and to Mr. Borle for providing us with the prizes !

The winners of the competition were as follows :

**Group I**

Std. II A for reciting "Betty at the Party"

**Group II**

Std. III B for reciting "A Modern Granny"

**Group III**

Std. VI A for reciting "Starving To Death On A Government Claim"

Two special prizes of packets of sweets were awarded to the Nursery and Prep classes for their early efforts of reciting on stage.

Mrs. S. D'Souza

**THE JUNIOR SCHOOL VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT**

One of the most popular and well attended events of the Primary section of Barnes is the Junior Variety Entertainment, with its participants of about 550 children from the Nursery to Std. VI. This year, the entertainment was held on the 21st March and once again evoked its usual heartwarming response from the parents, a packed hall and enthusiastic applauding after the items. This event is the highlight for the Juniors in the third term and from January onwards all were busy getting their class items organised. The class teachers take charge of their class items, with the three sections of each class combining their talents and efforts. We usually end up with an interesting and colourful variety of songs, dances, playlets and mimes, both in English and Hindi. Miss Verghese, the music mistress and Mr. Ryder, the singing teacher are invaluable with their help in musical accompaniment.

The programme started on a melodious note with a welcome song by Std. VI. We were then entertained by the Nursery class who delighted the audience when they sang and danced their way

through the "Boogie - Woogie" and "Clap Your Hands" with an endearing lack of self - consciousness. The preps followed with their war paint, war cries and bows and arrows in a delightful version of the Red Indian Hunting Song", One little, Two little, Three little Indian..." even coming up with their hunting spoils, a papier mache deer !

Std. I performed two very lively dances, the popular "Macarina" and "Saturday Night Dance" with rhythm and dexterity and also sang a thanksgiving tribute to God for making all the animals.

Std. III enacted "The wedding of the painted Doll", a playlet with colourfully dressed dolls of different nationalities and Std. II followed with their Hindi action song of "Creation" depicted in an outdoor extravaganza of trees, clouds, water, birds, butterflies, bees flowers and animals. Both Std. II and III items were effectively presented with a lot of detail being given to costumes and props.

Std. V also staged a play called "The Alphabet's Holiday" where during a teacher's convention the children are given a holiday and "Granny Dictionary" laments her fate due to the increase in words which have caused her "over weight". The children decide to cheer her up with a little entertainment. Thus the play was a happy combination of songs, riddles, dances and witticisms.

Very pertinent to Environmental awareness in today's world, was the Std. IV item which was basically a song and mime entitled "Don't Kill The World" but gradually enfolded a lesson for all present that of making us aware of the precious world we live in being destroyed at an alarming rate by global warming, deforestation and pollution of air, land and water. The song reiterated the world's cry to let it survive and Std. IV poignantly reminded all of us to each do our bit to help the world.

Std. VI ended the evening's entertainment with their two items, the first a very entertaining rendition of "I married a female wrestler", sportingly enacted by the "heavy weights" of the class ! Their second item was the increasingly popular "Bhangra", very lively and colourful and leaving the audience in a foot - tapping spirit. The children were then given their packets of eats and all returned home weary, but satisfied that they had all done their best and put up a commendable performance.

A word of thanks goes out to all the teachers of the Nursery to Std. VI for all their efforts and hard work in making the evening's entertainment possible. Thanks are also due to the linen room incharge, Mrs. R. DeSouza and the tailors for their help with costumes and props to Mr. R. Waring, Mr. D. Robins and the maintenance department for front and back stage help and to Mr. Borle for providing the teachers and children with much appreciated refreshments.

Mrs. S. D'Souza

PREFECTS - HOUSE PRESIDENTS 1996 - 1997

HOUSES	COLOUR	MOTTO	PRESIDENTS	PREFECTS
CANDY	GREEN	NEVER GIVE IN	MR. S. ISAAC	W. TAYLOR J. MATHEW R. VERMA
JOAN OF ARC	GREEN	NEVER GIVE IN	MRS. L. ISAAC MRS. L. BORLE	M. D'SOUZA A. SHAIKH S. DEVARGAONKAR
GREAVES	BLUE	COURAGE IS DESTINY	MR. A. D'SOUZA	A. PATHAN J. JAGTAP S. RAY
HELEN KELLER	BLUE	COURAGE IS DESTINY	Ms. G. PINTO MRS. C. ALPHONSO	S. TAMANG L. PACHUAU R. C. AGARWAL
ROYAL	RED	FIRMNESS IN ACTION	MR. M. THORPE	A. MARTIN S. SHAIKH G. AHUJA
EDITH CAVELL	RED	FIRMNESS IN ACTION	MRS. V. THORPE MRS. E. CORREA	M. HODGES B. MENDONCA M. O'CONNOR
SPENCE	YELLOW	UNITY IN ACTION	MR. D. CORREA	I. KOKNI R. PILKHWAL
FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE	YELLOW	UNITY IN ACTION	MRS. V. ROBINS MRS. S. FREDERICK	S. DASGUPTA R. FERNANDEZ R. CHAWLA

HEAD BOY - W. TAYLOR

HEAD GIRL - S. DASGUPTA

Cultivation of the personal life depends on the rectification of the mind. When one is affected by wrath to any extent, his mind will not be correct. When one is affected by fear to any extent, his mind will not be correct. When he is affected by fondness to any extent, his mind will not be correct. When he is affected by worries and anxieties, his mind will not be correct. When the mind is not present, we look but do not see, listen but do not hear, and eat but do not know the taste of the food. This is what we mean when we say cultivation of the personal life depends upon the rectification of the mind.

Confucius  
Great Learning 7

FROM THE EDITOR'S SCRAP BOOK

**Childhood Days Most Important To Nation's Future**

Mr. George Matthew Adams, the world famous author and lecturer, said on the subject - "Every child is interesting because its eyes open to a world never dreamed about. Looking upon each one is like viewing the unfolding of a mystery. There are no days so filled with wonder and curiosity as those of childhood.

"It is while the brain is plastic that substantial paths can work their way and give a foundation for the life that is to follow. Early impressions do not easily fade out. Creating interest in the child's mind is the first step to its growth of mind and character. Each new interest is a stimulant to other ones, resulting in a healthy imagination.

"Every possible interest should be thrown in a child's way. Originality should be encouraged, no matter how crude the attempts. And inclinations should always be endorsed. A child is ever conscious of its early discoveries and tendencies, and great care should be taken never to discourage a happy effort by a child.

"Nothing in this world is so substantial a foundation for a great nation as a well regulated and happy home, with normal children in it. Stimulate those young minds with healthy toys and instructive books and you will have little or no fear as to their natural development a little later on. Nothing stays by a child like a taste for good books.

"It is in the home that the earliest tendencies of a child are shown, and by right guidance principles are established that become the real foundation stones to after life character and its happy success as well. Every wholesome influence should surround every child in its own home and it won't wish to wander from it.

"The citadel of a nation is its homes. Within them are the seeds of its greatness, and the assurance of its long and useful life. There is no influence so potent as that which contacts the child in its home. Everything should be done to make that home attractive and inviting so that its memory may long linger in the mind.

"Childhood's days are all too short. They pass so quickly. An unhappy childhood is a tragic thing. A community's greatest investment is that which it has in its youth. It cannot do too much to develop healthy sports, good schools, and libraries. They all pay dividends in good citizenship."

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I C - MRS V. ROBINS



II A - MRS C. ALPHONSO



II C - MRS J. DINGER



II B - MRS A. KHAN



III A - MRS. E. HARDY



III B - MRS S. REDDEN



IV A - MRS. T. NANDA



III C - MISS L. FERNANDEZ



IV B - MRS H. UBERAI



IV C - MR S. GADRE



V B - MR. P. RAO



V A - MISS G. PINTO



V C - MRS Z. DASTOOR



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VI C - MR C. P. DINGER



VI B - MR J. REDDEN



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VII B - MR B. FERNANDEZ



VIII A - MR G. HARDY



VII C - MR Z. KHAN



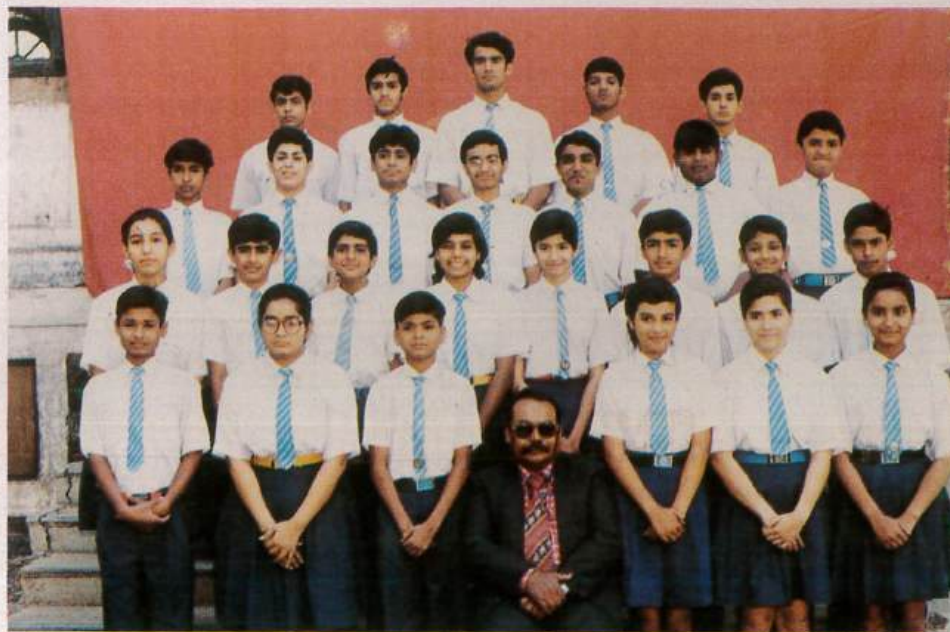
VIII B - MRS L. WARING



VIII C - MRS N. RAO



IX B - MR V. NAIR



IX A - MR D. O'CONNOR



IX C - MRS. J. GURUNG

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Left to right :

**Front Row Sitting** : Miss S. Rao (Boys' Craft) ; Mrs . A. Rehman (Librarian) ; Mr. V. Frederick (Chemistry) ; Mr. D. O' Connor (History Civics & Economics ) ; Mr. D. Correa (Geography & Art) ; Mr. M. Thorpe (Mathematics) ; Mr. A. R. Baker. (Principal), Mrs. A. Baker (English) ; Mr. A. D'Souza (Mathematics & Physics) ; Mr. S. Issac (P. T. I. - Boys) ; Mr. V. Nair (Chemistry); Mr. S. Kulkarni (Computer Science) ; Mrs. J. Gurung (Biology) ; Mrs. K. Goel (Hindi) .

**2nd Row Standing** : Jennifer Mathias; Arpita Mujumdar, Hema Krishnani; Chasmati Kumari ; Amita Kapse ; Roma Fernandes; Ambrin Memon ; Swati Devagaonkar ; Michelle D' Souza ; Ritu Agarwal ; Shweta Rekhi ; Snehal Ahire ; Sarita Tamang ; Nargis Karampurwalla ; Lynn Pachua ; Deepa Gopal.

**3rd Row Standing** : Sally Fernandes ; Margaret Hodges ; Rahul Kokate ; Mehboob Khan ; Vivek Gandhi; Nitin Sirsat ; Vijay Pahuja ; Mukesh Punderi ; Nishant Dham ; Vikas Kumar ; Gaurav Ahuja ; Rahul Tripathi ; Ravindra Khode ; Richard Spitz ; Whabiz Pantaki ; Maisie O' Connor ;

**4th Row Standing** : Rishi Verma ; Rahul Pilkhwal ; Nadeem Gubitra ; Dhaval Dhutia ; Kiran Patel ; Alex Vanhmingpuia ; Ashish Lala ; Mohd. Mireh ; Mohit Bijlani ; Sarfaraz Shaikh ; Salim Kuwari ; Johnson Mathew ; Siddharth Bhavnani ; Umar Shaikh ; Sheel Wadhwa ; Virendra Pardeshi.

**Last Row Standing** : Valentino Almeida ; Victor Mccardo ; Amit Ranglani ; Manoj Gupta ; William Taylor ; Pankil Patel ; Mohd. Hussain Raein ; Augustin Martin ; Alfred Johnson ; Sagar Malviya ; Shivayya Hiremath ; Manas Moghe ; Shormendu Ray ; Parvesh Kushwaha ; Kamal Chawla.

## SCHOOL SONG

### ONWARD BARNES !

1. Hear our loyal anthem, as we make it rise  
To our School, with all our might ;  
Barnes has reared us, taught us all the good we prize,  
Here we've learned what's true and right.

#### Chorus :

Onward Barnes ! Upward Barnes !  
Shall be our watchword and our aim.  
Till the echoes ring, let us sing  
To your honour, praise and fame.

2. Awkward cubs we were when first we came to School  
Often grimy, spoilt and slack;  
Heavy was the way till we had learnt the rule.  
Learnt to know and keep the track.

3. Grown we are in stature, strong we are in mind,  
Now we see they nobly live  
That forsake vain glory, gentle are and kind,  
Ever strive their best to give.

4. Comes the time for parting, onward we must go,  
Face the world as men at length,  
But we will remember all the school we owe,  
May she grow from strength to strength.

#### Chorus:

Onward Barnes ! Upward Barnes !  
Shall be our watchword and our aim.  
Till the echoes ring, let us sing  
To your honour, praise and fame.

# ARTICLE SECTION

### BABU THE FISHERMAN

I know a fisherman. His name is Babu. He lives near my Grandfather's house in Goa. I like to see how he works. He is a simple fisherman. He has a small wooden boat, a large fishing net and a long fishing rod. He goes into the sea in his wooden boat to catch plenty of fish. Sometimes, when he is unable to catch any fish he feels very disappointed. He takes the fishes that he has caught to the market and sells them at a very high price. He is a hard working man. Though he leads a simple life he is very happy.

Nikhil Pilkhwal  
Class IV-A

### A WALK IN THE WOODS

Once my friend and I went for a walk in the woods. At first the woods were not very thick, then it began to get dense. Suddenly we heard a swishing sound. We felt a little nervous. Then suddenly a rabbit popped out from a bush. We were relieved. After sometime we heard a growl and a big, black bear crawled out of a big bush. We were terrified. But the bear was not hungry and went away almost without noticing us. We also walked for a little while more then we felt hungry. I looked at my watch, it was 1:30 p.m. So we had our lunch. Then we saw some monkeys on a tree. One of them dropped a nut on my head. We walked on. When we were almost out of the forest, I felt something missing. I saw that I didn't have my tiffin box with me. So, we had to go back and search for it. By the time we reached home it was 5:00 p.m. Our mothers were very angry with us for being late. I got a sound thrashing that day.

Vikram Pawar  
Class IV-A

### A WONDERFUL WEEKEND AT SAPUTARA

Saputara is a tourist place in Gujarat about two hours from Nashik. I was very excited when my parents decided to take me there for a weekend. I was very happy to go there. While we were journeying we saw big trees and big mountains. We went through the jungle between two mountains and hills. The journey lasted for over two hours.

Saputara is very popular because many people visit the place and say that it is a lovely place. It is popular because of its cool and fresh climate and scenic beauty. There is a big lake which is fed by underground springs. Pleasure boating is done in this lake, but fishing is not permitted. About sixty kilometers from Saputara there are hot water springs.

We stayed at the Hotel Anand. On the first day we rested in the hotel. On the second day we went to see the Aquarium. There I saw snakes, fishes and other water creatures. On the third day we visited the sunset point. We took a ride on the ropeway. The fourth day was kept for horse riding and camel riding too. On the fifth day we went back home. So even though Saputara is a small hill station it has much to offer and we returned home contented with our holiday.

Rohan Ratnaparkhi  
Class IV-A

### THE DAY I SAW HALE - BOPP

The evening of 31st March is one that I will remember always, for on that day, I saw a comet called Hale - Bopp.

We had studied about planets and comets in E.V.S. (Environmental Studies) and I was very interested in them. Then, our teacher told us that these days, the comet Hale - Bopp could be seen just after sunset or after our dinner, which is at 7:30 p.m. After lining up and moving out of the dining hall, we ran to the play ground in front of Evans hall and looked up at the sky. Suddenly my friend gave a shout saying, "There it is - the Hale Bopp!" and we saw the comet. It looked like a bright star. However, it seemed to have a small tail behind it, My friend said that it looked like a shiny ball.

The next day, our teacher brought us an article, telling us more about it, We learnt that the comet was discovered on July 22nd, 1995 by two astronomers, Alan Hale and Thomas Bopp. It travels at a speed of nearly a million miles a day. It appears on earth after every four thousand years. It came closest to the earth on the 22nd of March, 1997.

I feel very lucky to have seen such a rare sight.

Tyronne Pinto  
Class IV-B

### MY FIRST DAY IN SCHOOL

I clearly remember the first day I came to School. I was six years old and my mother had made up her mind to put me into the boarding of Barnes School, I was very excited and happy too. My mother had brought me lots of new clothes and a shiny new trunk with my name painted on it.

We reached school in the morning. The Principal, Mr. Baker, called us to his office. He was very kind and asked me my name. Then, he told us to go to the dormitory - The dormitory looked like a big hall. There were lots of beds. I saw many children around me. Some were crying, others were looking sad or frightened. My mother handed over my things to me. I began to cry loudly. Mum hugged me and told me that I would soon get to like the place. Just then, Neha Karande came and held my hand. She was new too but was braver than I.

Just then, the bell rang for tea. We all went to the dining hall. There were lots of girls - big and small - all around me and I felt lost. I did not feel like eating but she forced me to have something. Then, we went out to play. Soon, I made friends with the other children. We played many games and I forgot my sadness. In the next few days, I got used to the school and became happy. I missed my home and my parents even then - but not unbearably.

Now, whenever I see new children crying and looking lost, I remember my first day at Barnes. I try to be as kind and friendly to them as Neha had been to me.

**Neelam Tandel**  
Class IV-B

### THE LIFE STORY OF A DUSTBIN

I am a dustbin in class IV-B. I am grey in colour. When I was bought, the words 'IV-B' were painted on me. I was clean and shiny. I was then put into a corner of the class. The children put rubbish into me. They put pencil sharpenings bits of paper, sweet wrappers and other things into me.

I do not mind that as every afternoon the maid comes and cleans me. However, some naughty children put paint water into me. They even kick me and spit into me. That makes me angry. I wish I could speak, So that I can scold them for this. Sometimes their class teacher makes the naughty children stand in me. This makes the children laugh. This is the story of my life. I enjoy being a dustbin.

**Nitesh Patil**  
Class IV-B

### MY FIRST DAY OF BOXING

My first day of boxing was on the 13th of March 97. I had to box a boy in class III-A. His name was Bruce Francis. When I heard my name being called out at the assembly. I was thrilled. Then, when school was over, I ran to the dormitory and had a quick bath and dressed up.

After tea, I ran to the boxing ring. My bout was the fifth one. When I wore my boxing gloves. I felt very strong and Powerful. I was in the blue corner. Then I went into the ring. The referee was Mr. M. Thorpe. Then our first round began. I rushed at Bruce and he could not even dodge me. Then the referee declared that he was out classed and I was very thrilled. I do not know whether I will win my other bouts. However, I enjoyed the game and will always remember my first day in the boxing ring.

**Pandurang Pabitwar**  
Class IV-B

### DO YOU KNOW WHY?

People yawn when they are tired. They shiver when they are cold and sweat when they are hot. Sometimes when you get hiccups you cannot stop. All these are things which you cannot control. Your body does them to keep itself healthy. When something gets into your nose you sneeze. The blast of air pushes out anything that is irritating the inside of your nose. Whether it is hot or cold outside. Your body always stays at the same temperature. When you feel cold your muscles start to shiver. They are trying to make heat to keep you warm. Your body can keep itself cool as well as warm. In hot weather sweat glands send water upto the surface of the skin. The water evaporates and takes away some of the body's heat.

**Beulah Fernandez**  
Class IV-C

### A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE IN

Our world is a wonderful place to live in. It has many wonders all around it. Nature is a gift from God : a garden full of roses, snow capped mountains, gurgling rivers, waterfalls, sandy-beaches, sparkling seas, forests and grasslands. But gradually our beautiful Earth is getting destroyed. Our planet which was before a paradise is becoming an ugly place to live in. I think the activities of human beings are the sole reason behind this transformation.

People began to cut trees and destroy forests to create ample space to build sprawling cities and towns. Hunting, which was a favourite pastime with royalty, diminished our rich wild life. Industries cropped up and instead of clean fresh air there was pollution. Smoke, fumes and gases from factories and road vehicles pollute our atmosphere. It is a very tough job to control pollution today, but it can be done if everybody follows the rules of Environment and Pollution Control.

To save our planet, plant trees. Trees give us shade, flowers and fruits and fresh air. We should also request people to give up smoking, drinking and other bad habits. Last but not least, we should see that waste products are disposed of properly. All this cannot be done by force. This can only be done by love and sweet words. Use love, care and friendship. Please help our earth today !

Devika Bose  
Class V - A

### SCHOOL MANNERS

- Come to school well in time,
- Stand for prayer when in line.
- Don't throw papers on the ground,
- Give the Principal whatever is found,
- You must come clean and neat,
- Wish all the teachers whom you meet.
- Do your home work every day,
- In your class you must not play.
- When you go out of class,
- Always remember to carry your pass.
- Follow - carefully every rule,
- If you wish to be liked in your school.

Sohan Madnani  
Class V - A

### ORPHAN

An orphan is a person who doesn't have either parents or relations to look after him. Orphans are not cared for properly by the people. They don't get proper education. They don't have food, clothing and shelter. They are used by selfish people in many ways. For example we find many orphans begging on the footpaths, railway stations, bus stops. We also find many of them robbing, pick pocketing, polishing the shoes. Some of the orphans are purposely made blind by spoiling their eyes while some of them are made handicapped by removing their legs or hands by selfish and cruel people who force the orphans to beg, rob and earn for them.

Mentally, too, orphans are not normal. Some of them remain depressed, others become cruel. This is because right from childhood they have hardly seen love and affection of parents. They spend many days hungry with no place to live and sleep. They put on rags throughout their lives. They have not experienced pity and are ill - treated by everyone of the society. They develop envy and hatred against others and they became harsh and cruel when they grow up. Sometimes they become big criminals like dacoits and smugglers also.

So, the government and voluntary organisations should come forward to take care of the orphans properly to shape their life and careers because they have no one to take care of them.

K. Hari Varun  
Class V - C

### A VISIT TO REMEMBER

Leh is situated in Jammu and Kashmir. It is near India's border. It is a very cold but beautiful place. It is always filled with snow. The mountains are covered with snow and are known as desert mountains.

We all should visit Leh. I visited Leh. There were many places to see. The people in Leh are very nice and kind. There are two rivers called Indus and Zaskar. The colour of River Indus is dark green and the colour of the River Zaskar is Grey. They meet each other at a point. This meeting point is called "Sangam" or confluence. The River Indus comes from China.

In the months of May, June, July and August it is very pleasant there. Foreigners come to visit this place. They buy many things and stay there for at least three or four months.

There is one more place to visit at Leh. It is known as Khardungah. It is at a height of 2,400 k.m. It is all covered with snow. This is the main place for tourist attraction.

We can see white bears, yaks, rabbits and other animals also when we are travelling through this place.

This place is extremely cold. We should take our warm clothes and two or three pairs of socks. I played there with snow and did ice skating. I was feeling cold I had a cup of tea. Later we travelled back home. I wish I could visit Leh once again.

**Sakshi H.**  
**Class VI - A**

### **MOST EXCITING EXPERIENCE OF MY LIFE**

One day my father gave me a certain amount to deposit in the bank. I went to the bank and stood in the queue outside the receiving cashier's counter. The bank premises were crowded to capacity.

One bolted the door after him and stood guard at it from inside. The other brandishing a loaded revolver in his hand warned everyone not to shout or move. He threatened the people who looked dazed and frightened.

The armed man then started moving slowly towards the cashier. He passed me and was about to enter the cashier's cabin when an idea suddenly struck me I, quietly lifted my umbrella and hit it hard against the revolver. Down fell the revolver which was picked up by someone definitely with quick reflexes. The frustrated and disarmed robber rushed at me with blood shot eyes. He caught me by my neck and started punching me some clients ran to my rescue. Now they were no longer afraid of the disarmed robber. They over powered him and beat him soundly.

In the meantime the police arrived and arrested them. They were taken to the police station and I was sent to the dispensary for treatment.

I returned home without depositing the money. In the afternoon the police officer came to our residence and took my statement of the events that had happened and patted me for my bravery. He said he would recommend my name to the police commissioner for an award for bravery, at the annual prize distribution ceremony. I felt happy and proud of myself.

Never shall I forget this memorable incident in the bank on that fateful day.

**Anurag Chaudhry**  
**Class VI-C**

### **BRAVO, LAD !**

This terrible incident took place on the 24th December 1996. On the 27th of December I had to go to Lucknow to attend my class teacher's wedding. My father wanted to go to the bank but I requested him to go the next day as I wanted to visit my friend that evening.

So the next day we went to the bank. My father went to the counter and started writing out a cheque. He returned about in twenty minutes and as we were getting out five armed men came in, and told all of us to hand over our money to them. Then they went to the counter and told the cashier to give them all the money. Since I was the only child in the bank at that time and I was just four feet tall, they thought that I was very small and they let me go.

When I went out I noticed that no body knew what was happening inside the building and I was scared that my face had become white. I wondered what I should do, and the first thought that came to my mind was I should call the police. The police station was not very far away. It was just about one kilometre away so when I reached there I told them that there was a robbery going on in the Shivaji Bank. I had run very fast and they responded very fast too. They got into their jeeps and surrounded the bank. Then they spoke in those old fashioned mikes of theirs. The robbers would not respond so they sent in one of their police officers who was dressed in ordinary clothes. He went in, when he entered the bank the robbers caught him also and told him to give his money. This policeman was clever. Quietly, he edged himself close to the leader of the gang and then suddenly grabbed him; Knocking the gun out of his hand with a Karate chop. Then he yelled at them to put their guns down otherwise he would shoot their leader, So they put their guns down and then the police came in and arrested them and sent them to jail.

The Inspector General of police came to our house and congratulated me on my bravery. He congratulated my parents too, presented me with a cash award. The bank manger also came and gave me a cash award. All this money came in very handy during our visit to Lucknow.

**Brendon Baker**  
**Class VII-A**

### **THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN MODERN INDIA**

In olden times women in India were treated like slaves. Men considered them weaklings. The girls were taught to obey their husbands blindly after marriage.

Till now some of them are treated like slaves. A girl is looked upon as a curse to the family. As a wife she is no better. She always has to obey her husband. She depends on her husband even for a loaf of bread.

Modern India has witnessed many changes in the status of women in the country. She is coming into her own. She can no longer be kept as a domestic servant or a free cook in the house. Now she plays an important role in the development of the country. She is getting higher education. She is going ahead of boys in excellence. No distinction, as in the past, is now made in the matter of education between boys and girls. Education is a promise to improve the position of women in India.

Now the women fight for their rights with boldness. No leader now can try to curb against her right. Now women in India are allowed to voice an opinion of their own.

Now all careers and the doors of services have been thrown open to women. They are taking to professions of doctors, nurses, teachers, lawyers, engineers, ministers, governors. They have also made their presence felt in the police and armed forces.

**Neha Gupta**  
**Class VII - B**

#### **THE DEPRIVATION OF CHILDREN IN OUR COUNTRY**

In our country, India, most of the people are poor. As a result of their poverty they stay in huts and many on platforms, too. As for the poor children they are not able to get education, even when their parents want them to study, so they lack education and do not gain any knowledge and join bad company.

Although the Indian Government provides Government schools where free education is provided these are of no use because the schools do not maintain any disciplines there. The children do not have any proper uniform in which to come to school. Taking advantage of this the children wear anything and come to school and become worse in their habits and discipline. Their parents being illiterate they also cannot teach them at home. From the beginning only the child gets from bad to worse and being poor they have no other way left except to work. Working from a tender age instead of studying they start thinking about their families instead of building a good future for themselves. Sometimes they even start robbing and start gambling and picking pockets of people. Over a small penny, they will fight. They sometimes get caught by the police and go into prison where they are further abused. And one knows what a prison is. This is what often happens when the child cannot get proper education.

So this is how the children lose out on their future. It is not enough to provide free education, but the Government should also provide good schools which maintain discipline, like the private schools, so that a child who is poor is able to get his or her education. All parents should ask their children to study and not make them work from a small age and try their best to give them

good things. Last but not least, notwithstanding their poverty, parents should try to make their children happy and teach them manners and discipline, so that they have a good future. In the salvation of children, lies the salvation of parents.

**Manish Agarwal**  
**Class VII - B**

#### **AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A COIN**

Hi ! I am a shining one rupee coin. I am made out of metal, and I have just come out of the mint. The men removed me and also separated me from all my brothers and sisters and took me into a bag, so that, I would not be stolen by any thieves and locked all of us in the safe with a big lock. It was not that good inside, because it was very stuffy. We were all on top of each other.

Then, the next day, the man took out some of us and gave us away. I soon reached a lady's purse. She was a nice and pretty lady and she never tried to give me to any shopkeepers because I looked so pretty and shiny. I always used to think about the fun, we used to have with everybody in the locker. At that time we had jolly company. Anyway I forgot about everything and was happy to be in her fancy bag.

However, one day she had to exchange me to get her vegetables so she gave me along with some notes to a green grocer. He put me in his dirty, filthy bag. I was very unhappy to be inside that bag, because the bag smelled horrible. I had no company, with whom I could play and talk. After a few minutes a man came to buy vegetables. He gave some currency notes to the green grocer and the latter handed me over to this man as change. As I reached that man I realized that he was a rich fellow. When he put me in his velvet black bag, I was very happy. After some time I found myself in a big box where he put me with others. We had a nice time and when he shut us up in a box, we started jingling, jangling and also making a noise.

Then one day a young man came to the shop to take a gold chain for his wife. He bought a chain and gave a sum of money to my owner. When he took me out of the big box I came to know that he was a jeweller and in change he gave me out to that other man. I was not so happy with that man as I again lost my friends. After sometime one beggar started harassing that man to give him money. As he took me out to give me to the beggar somebody pushed him and so I fell down on the ground. It was the rainy season and the ground was muddy. He could not find me. I lay buried in the ground. Till now nobody has picked me up and my shiny body has become dirty and filthy. I wonder when I will get rid of this dirt !

**Khatija Mukaddam**  
**Class VII - B**

## IMPORTANCE OF GOOD MANNERS

Good manners make a complete man. Without good manners a man is like a purse without money, though it is very attractive from outside. Good manners are necessary for harmonious existence. A person who is brought up in a good society must have good manners.

We must tolerate everyone. We should help when help is needed. If we see anyone, for instance, a small child or an elderly person hesitating to cross the road, we must help them cross the road safely. While travelling in a bus or a train, if we see any elderly person without a seat, we must show our good manners by giving him or her our seat.

We should be obedient to our parents. We must try to fulfil their wishes. We should pray to God. We must never remain idle as an idle mind is the workshop of the devil. We must never tell a lie but must always speak the truth. It takes two to speak the truth-one to speak and another to listen.

We must be polite and gentle. We should show courtesy to everyone whether they are big or small.

Good manners are also important when we are in the company of friends and some other people. We must never whisper into someone's ears when we are in a group of people. We must give attention to anyone speaking to us. We must make sure that the person we are speaking to has understood us. We must never let anyone feel sad.

With these good manners we can establish pleasant relationships and serve mankind in a better way. Without good manners, man will have no place in society.

Miki Kurita  
Class VIII - A

## FLOODS AND FAMINES

Floods and famines are the two natural calamities that affect our country. Not a year passes without hardships and sufferings caused by them in some part of our country or the other.

Floods are usually caused by torrential rain or the melting of huge masses of snow on the mountain tops or when the sluice gates of dams are opened when these dams become overfull. Rivers are unable to contain the enormous and extra amount of water so they overflow their banks. The flood water destroys the standing crops, mud houses collapse and sometimes even trees are uprooted. People and animals are swept away by the strong currents of the waters. Those who are lucky enough to climb trees or on house tops are saved from the fury of raging rivers. Floods are usually followed by epidemics which sometimes take away many lives.

Less rain or no rain at all causes drought which result in famines. Failure of crops and scarcity of drinking water causes a large number of deaths. There is no human remedy against drought or absence of rain. Infact, many efforts have often been made to produce artificial rain but the cost is enormous; the result is always not guaranteed. Hence this experiment is rarely tried.

Luckily our Government is now aware of the sufferings of the people in such calamities. It provides food and shelter for the victims of floods and famines. Even the army is called out to help in rescue operations. It rescues the trapped victims and shifts them to safer places. Our Government has established Flood Control Board. It is hoped that its efforts will help greatly in minimising and mitigating the evil effects of floods and famines in the near future.

Thanks to the development of our modern transport and communication system the horrors and rigours of floods and famines are greatly reduced. These two evils are no longer as deadly and devastating as they once were.

Prem Kumar K.  
Class VIII - A

## THE SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Nowadays most of the schools have printed magazines of their own. However, there are schools that are too small or are not able to meet the cost of printing a magazine. These bring out the manuscript magazine, that is a magazine written by hand. The school magazine contains poems, articles of educational interest, short stories, reports about different activities in the school, all written or printed by the teachers and the students of the institution. Some notes deal with the general problems of school and are mostly records of its activities, achievements and wants.

The school magazine serves many useful purposes. The most important is the scope it gives to students, developing their creative talents in writing. A student feels very happy and proud when he finds his writing in print. At first he feels shy to come out in open. When, however, he finds his friends writing for the magazine he also feels tempted to try his hand at it. A little encouragement gives him more courage to continue his writing. In this way he learns to write something that is important and useful and writing becomes easy for him. Gradually, he develops his literary talents.

The school magazine also develops the love for one's school. It is eagerly read and discussed by all the students and teachers of the school. They appreciate the writers and get acquainted with those students they did not know. This develops a feeling of unity among all the students as members of the same family.

It also serves to bind a relationship between the past and the present students. The old boys, that is, the ex-students or the past students of the school, sometimes contribute articles

to it as a mark of their love and respect for their old school. Through all these contributions they get in touch with the students studying in the school. Even the students who did not write or contribute remember their past when a copy of the magazine reaches their hands. At that very moment everything is forgotten and they again walk down memory lane.

**Suman Bhowmick  
Class VIII - A**

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### A STINT WITH BLACK MAGIC

As planned, at midnight I sneaked out of my room. I found my friends waiting for me. All the five of us took our bikes and pedalled along the highway.

After about five minutes ride we reached a small empty cottage. We got off our bikes and taking our equipment we entered the dark interior of the cottage. We put the planchette on the floor and four candles at each corner and a coin on the planchette. Then we all sat around it and concentrated on what we are doing, I kept my finger on the coin, we all said in our mind.

"The spirit which is nearest to us, please answer". After much concentration, the planchette began to shake and move. The air was still with expectation. Perspiration poured down our backs. We were excited as well as fearful we asked the spirit all the questions we wanted answers to ; and when we finished, we ask it to go.

Unfortunately it would not go away, no matter what he did. Then I heard my friend say "They can, who think they can", "Where there is a will, there is a way". All of us thought over it and we told the spirit that if he would go we should pray to God and ask God to forgive his sins so that his soul could rest in peace and he promised that he would never ever trouble us again. The planchette, became still and we were relieved and at peace at last.

Amongst us we decided never to tamper with black magic again. This time our 'will' saved us, next time it probably won't.

**Prakash Nikam  
Class VIII - B**

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Subdue pride by modesty overcome hypocrisy by simplicity,  
and dissolve greed by contentment.

**Samanasuttam 136**

### EARLY IMPRESSIONS

Like so many things printing had many 'inventors'. The Chinese, Japanese and Koreans were the first people to print, sometime before AD 800. Early printing was done by the laborious and slow process of carving a design in reverse on a block of wood, inking the surface and pressing a piece of paper on it.

The Koreans and Chinese both experimented with type - that is, separate characters for each letter which can be used over and over again. In about 1050 a Chinese scientist, Pisheng, made pottery type, and some years later wooden type was also made in China. But the Chinese system of writing, which require thousands of different characters, made the work difficult.

Printing as we know today was invented by a German Goldsmith Johannes Gutenberg, who lived in Mainz. By 1450 he had made his system capable of being used commercially.

The essence of Gutenberg's invention was three fold. The casting of standard sized metal type form moulds ; the development of a suitable sticky ink ; and the adaption of a wine press to make a printing press.

Gutenberg produced his first book- an edition of the Bible - between 1452- 1455. He had enough type to be able to set up a few pages, at a time, then distribute the type and start again. This Bible had two columns to the page, each of 42 lines, and is known to collectors as '42 - line Bible'.

The earliest books were made to look as much as possible like the hand written books of the time, but soon printers began to make changes and the modern style of book came into being. Printing enabled more people to have books and thus revolutionized the spread of learning.

**Kavya Viswanathan  
Class VIII - C**

### SOCIAL INJUSTICE

In this busy troubled world of ours I wonder how many people pause to look at the poor and downtrodden in various walks of life. If they do, they would find injustice staring them large in the face everywhere they turn. Poverty and the consequent deprivation and misery are the result of social injustice.

Take for instance the lot of women and children. Children are made to work in factories, on plantations, in restaurants, shops and so on. Reporters for star T.V. have actually filmed

little boys from the age of eight to fourteen working for the company 'Adidas', making footballs for this company, when they should be playing with them. Children are made to work in various cottage industries, such as cement factories, as labourers for building contracts and in the construction of roads and railway tracks, as stone breakers and in various other vigorous tasks. Even though the Indian Constitution has the provision for free education for all children, they are forced to work by their poor deprived parents and they are employed by educated rich hard-hearted businessmen who add insult to injury by under-paying the poor things. Child labour is not only practised in India but in Pakistan, China, Japan and many other countries both developing and developed.

Women are also ill treated in this manner. They are made to work in factories, cloth mills etc, without fair wages. For example some of the best carpets come from India, and are made by women and children, and they decorate some rich man's house.

Not a single day goes by without the newspapers and television giving some news of violence against women. There are innumerable reports of wife beating, harrasment, rape, sale of child brides, young girls being forced into prostitution etcetera. Poverty and ignorance are some of the causes for the sad state of women in India.

So many well-to-do businessmen exploit their workers by making them work for long hours with low wages and very few benefits and needless to say no incentives.

Recently the Times of India carried a report about workers training in a government factory in Japan. On inspection it was found that they were working under very harsh conditions in ill-ventilated and over crowded factory workshops.

However, it is not only the Asian countries which have all these injustices, even the western countries are plagued with this problem.

For example. they have a racial discrimination, the blacks are deprived of their equality and are discriminated against at their work places in schools, colleges and practically in all walks of life. They are even denied justice in courts of law.

So we see that social injustice is not only harsh and unfair but it is cruel and can cause a lot of harm, and is also one of the reasons why so many suicide cases abound in the world. When God has made us all equal why cannot men treat each other as equals too?

Cassandra Waring  
Class IX-A

## THAT CRAZY LANGUAGE CALLED ENGLISH

When Julius Caesar landed in Britain nearly two thousand years ago, English did not exist. But nearly a thousand years later, at the end of the sixteenth century, when William Shakespeare was in his prime, English was the native speech of between five and seven million Englishmen. The making of English is the story of three invasions and a cultural revolution. This language was brought to Britain by Germanic tribes, influenced by Latin and Greek when St. Augustine and his followers converted England to Christianity, and finally transformed by the French-speaking Normans.

On 5th September 1977, the American spacecraft Voyager One blasted off on its historic mission to Jupiter and beyond. On board, the scientists, who knew that Voyager would one day spin through distant star systems, had installed a recorded greeting from the people of the planet Earth-IN ENGLISH.

Thus English emerged as a global phenomenon and today it is the most widely used language on the planet or in the history of the planet. It is spoken by one in every seven human beings. More than half the world's books and two-thirds of the world's mail is in English. Of all languages English has the greatest vocabulary, perhaps even as much as two million words. It also has one of the noblest works of Literature.

Even so, let us face it, English is a crazy language. It is almost impossible to analyse its genius. Most of us take English for granted but when we take a closer look we see that quicksand works slowly, boxing rings are square and a guinea pig is neither a pig nor from Guinea. There is no egg in eggplant, neither pine nor apple in pineapple and English muffins were not invented in England nor French fries in France. If the plural of tooth is teeth shouldn't the plural of booth be beeth? One goose, many geese-one moose, many meese?

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend? You can comb through the annals of history but not one annal? If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one, what do you call it? If a teacher taught, why isn't it that a preacher praught?

In what other language do you have noses that run and feet that smell How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same if a wise man and a wise guy are opposite? How can overlook and oversee be opposites if 'quite a lot' and 'quite a few' are the same? How can the weather be 'hot as hell' one day and 'cold as hell' the next? How can we have "Solid rain" when rain is actually liquid?

You have to laugh at the peculiarity of a language in which your house can burn up as it burnt down.

English was invented by people and thus reflects the creativity of the human race. (which isn't really a race at all). That is why when the stars are out, they appear but when the

lights are out they disappear. And when I wind up my watch I start it but when I wind up my essay I end it.

Mark D'Souza  
Class IX-A

### FISHING

Fishing is a common activity from where I come, Goa. There are a lot of beaches where the fisherman go to catch the fish and come back usually successful. Although fishing is very risky, it is a well enjoyed activity.

When one goes fishing, he comes to know about the adaptation of the fish to the sea and how they come about in the act of breeding. The best time for fishing is early morning and after four o'clock in the evening because that is the time that fish start coming to the surface for feeding. As for time, well, one can fish anytime of the year.

Fishing is also a wholesome occupation as it relieves us from our worries and makes us calm. Sport fishing is one of the largest and most profitable, recreation businesses all over the world. However, the best part of fishing is that it does not require a licence.

For fishing there are a lot of requirements, fishing reel, hook, bait, and a good lot of water to fish from. Bait for fish are attached to hooks. There are natural baits and artificial baits. For fresh water fish, natural baits include worms, night crawlers, minnows, small bait fish and crickets. The most popular salt water baits are crayfish, clams or small pieces of fish. Hundreds of artificial lures, shaped as small fish, worms, flies, or coloured objects are also used.

Many humorous incidents occur when one goes fishing. One may fall into the water with the sheer excitement of having caught a fish and because of this he eventually loses the fish. In fishing definitely there is many a slip between the cup and the lip because there is many an occasion when the fisherman anxiously yanks his line out of the water after a much awaited anticipatory tug, only to find an empty hook dangling at the end of the line, the clever fish having got away after a nip at the bait! Another possible mishap that could occur is that he has forgotten to bring the bait along though he has packed all the other essential items; then the hunt for bait starts at the site of fishing.

In our school itself, fishing is a common activity and some teachers regard fishing as their only hobby. Take for example, Mr. Thorpe, our Vice principal. He is a fishing fanatic and if the day looks fine, well you will never find him at home. He will either go to the Dharna river or to South Bridge where the fish swim freely and water is always in plenty.

Other great fishers are Mr. Waring and Mr. Alphonso who almost everytime accompany Mr. Thorpe. These gentlemen have many a tale to tell-especially about "the one that got away!"

Sometimes funny incidents take place while fishing. For instance, once during the mid term break, a few of my friends and I went for a picnic to lake Beale. During this season there is no need to worry about water as there is water everywhere. We took out our eatables and then got ready our fishing equipment. We began fishing. We sat there for two hours waiting for a bite but in vain. Suddenly Geeta felt something tug at the rod and was certain it was a fish. She started jumping up and down with excitement and then started pulling the rod out of the water but the rod would not budge. Eventually after a lot of wrenching and tugging she got the rod the out of the water, but to her dismay she had instead pulled out a huge, heavy boot filled with slush and water! At this we all had a good hearty laugh. This incident proves that fishing is an enjoyable activity enough even if it does have its setbacks at times. Fishing is the best hobby one can ever have and I assure you that once you go fishing you will never want to have any other hobby. Nothing can be more thrilling than the sight of a live fish thrashing at the end of a line. Nothing in my opinion can give as much a sense of achievement as fishing.

Fishing is an activity that is enjoyed by all. To fish is a lovely thing but when it comes to setting the bait, you will never find girls around!

Blossom Fernandez  
Class IX -B

### OUR SERVANTS

A servant is, to many people, a person who merely just does work for them. Some people think of servants as people to be shouted at or beaten, while some take their servants to be an integral part of their lives. A servant need not be an adult but may be a child. Usually parents who are too poor to afford any education for their children, send their children to work as servants. Our servants usually do house-work but if we give them something extra to do, they make a big fuss, while some other servants do it willingly. Sometimes childless couples adopt young children and make them their servants.

Some servants are greedy whilst others are contented with what they have. The greedy servants ask for high wages, holidays and other benefits while the contented servants usually accept what wages they receive and do not ask for any favours or benefits. Some servants usually live with their employers for a couple of years and then leave. Some servants grow attached to the family and become a part of it. Some servants who steal from their employers are often caught. If the employer wants to hand the servant over to the police, he can do so or he can forgive the servant and take him or her back or dismiss him or her. Some servants are

careless and may cause damage in the employer's house by handling the stove carelessly. Very often they break crystal ware and damage other valuables leaving their employers in despair.

A servant may come to the house one day and be absent the next day, while there are those who are punctual and never take a holiday. So it is best to treat a servant kindly and he will respect you.

Joel D'Mello  
Class IX - B

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### MUSIC

Music is the blending of sweet notes. In the olden times, people believed that heavenly bodies produced music while in motion, but this music could not be heard by human ears, which are deafened by the noises of earthly life. This was propounded by Plato a Greek philosopher. The Roman poet Ovid also imagined that Orpheus a Greek musician charmed even lifeless objects like the trees, stones and floods with the sweet power of his music. In our own history legend has it that the famous singer Tansen, in Akbar's court, could light up the lamps with his powerful "raag".

The civilization of ancient times believed that music could bring about revival of the sacred balance that perfectly characterises human life; that it could restore the harmony of the soul in times of distress. Indeed, it was believed by the ancient people that all kinds of sicknesses - mental or physical were ultimately musical problems.

Music can not only bring about seemingly miraculous effects at outer levels, it can also influence the minds in more cleverly planned ways. Played in certain ways, it can incite violence and exploit the motives and weaknesses of its listeners, whipping them into states of agitation and enmity. This is what music was used for during wars in ancient times and armies used to march to war to the beat of war drums.

Music can equally be soothing to the senses giving strength and courage to the listeners with the notion of the good, filling them with the determinations of the noble and the sacred. It can help create an atmosphere that leads to bearing misfortune calmly.

Music plays a vital role on all occasions. It is used in wedding ceremonies, funeral processions, carnivals and festivals. It plays a great role in the National Anthems, of different countries, themes and songs of movies and above all it has great importance in holy places like churches, mosques, temples etc, where devotees offer their devotion to the Supreme being to the accompaniment of music. Besides all these occasions it is used during wars. It is also used for entertainment.

To me, music has a great role. It is a thing which can be heard and felt but not seen. It is the "Language of the soul".

Nekita D'Souza  
Class IX-B

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### WAGES OF WAR

It seems that man has not learnt any lesson from the two world wars of 1914 and 1939. The vast destruction and untold suffering of the people of Hiroshima and Nagasaki was a result of the holocaust caused by the use of atomic bombs dropped there in 1945.

Science is certainly a great blessing when its discoveries and inventions are used for human happiness and progress. On the other hand, science proves to be a curse when it is used in wars. The destruction of very costly buildings, factories bridges and industries can disable a country.

It is very unfortunate that science has given birth to many weapons of war which have proved to be very effective in the killing of large number of people. Human courage is meaningless today because war has become fully mechanised in the present world.

The use of nuclear bombs, rockets, tanks, machine-guns and submarines has made modern wars highly destructive. The use of poisonous gases, and chemical weapons has made modern wars the beginning of the end of humanity.

With the availability of such weapons of war, modern Scientific progress has presented a very serious danger to world peace. Peace is the need of the hour of the world and world leaders must make their best efforts to banish all future wars from the face of the earth. All violent acts and wars must be given up.

The worst sufferers of war are women and children. They are punished for no crime of their own. It is not only the physical torture and hardships that they have to endure, worse than that is the emotional trauma that transforms them into the worst possible existence - that of the living dead.

It is the need of the hour that the message of love and non-violence preached by Mahatma Gandhi should be practised by all. The idea of C.E.M. Joad, an American scholar for economic equality should be made a reality. For this, Science must be used for peace and progress only.

Sujit Bhagat .  
Class IX-C

## AN EXCURSION TO GOA

Having heard a lot about Goa, its people, culture and cuisine, its churches and beaches, it was our first choice when we were deciding where to go for our winter vacation.

Situated at about 600 kilometers from Bombay we decided to travel by bus as the night would be spent sleeping and we would utilize the day in sight-seeing.

We left Bombay at 3.00 p.m. having got seats in the rear of a luxury bus and not having travelled by bus before, we had a rather bumpy ride which caused us much discomfort. We arrived in Panjim at 6 a.m. the following day. Our hosts welcomed us with legendary Goan hospitality enhanced as it is by the serenity of its village life and the invigorating tang of the sea water and air.

Our first day took us to old Goa from Panjim which is around eight kilometres away. The drive across the Mandovi river and the approach road to Goa is so scenic that one is immediately aware of the clean green environment and fresh air. The Churches in old Goa are majestic to say the least. The huge cathedral has paintings as old as the church and as beautiful as one could imagine. The church of Bom Jesu houses the body of ST. FRANCIS XAVIER who died almost five hundred years ago. This is the star attraction, thousands of tourists from India and abroad come to see.

Travelling in Goa is made simple for individuals and couples by making it possible to hire motor bikes and scooters for a nominal fee and seeing Goa on ones own. This we noticed was done by ninety percent of foreign tourists while Indians made use of conducted tours by bus.

Spending a day on Calangute beach is a must despite the cold water and breeze. We lazed away the day on the beach, soaking in the sun, building sand castles on the beach and going back into the water again. The crowds that remained on the beach were part of the scenario that contributed to a real holiday mood.

Not to miss out on water spots a day was also spent boating and riding the water scooter, Getting stuck with the engine falling in the deep sea is not common, but if it happens it could add to the excitement and thrill of the sport.

Music is in every Goan's blood Goan folk dances and the traditional songs of the fisher folk and the sowers of rice are included in every festival occasion, from a family gathering to a wedding. Young and old listen entranced to the nostalgic melodies to the accompaniment of the guitar or gumpat.

The popularity of feni the native drink of Goa is attested to by the fact that practically every third house is a 'Taverna' or bar. As a result it is said that old Goan's never die, they just stumble and stagger away.

Having toured most of Goa it is after all food that keeps a person happy and if you love good food Goan cuisine pampers your palate and bows to your whimsical needs.

Alas, time flies and soon it was time to return home. And home we came bringing food and drink from Goa to remind us of the good time we had and to keep the memories of Goa with us a little longer.

**Penny Ann Fernandes**  
**Class IX-C**

## A PRAYER

O Lord I Take refuge,  
in your arms open wide,  
I come to you begging for help,  
as I'm on this rocky ride.

Show me the way,  
because I do not know  
where it leads.  
Please help me grow.

You are my true father  
and know what is right for me.  
So take me in your arms  
and set my burdens free.

This world is full of selfish people,  
and unlimited lies,  
The few innocent suffer,  
Long forgotten are family ties.

You are the almighty,  
Work a miracle for me,  
So my belief will grow.  
Thanks to love without a fee.

Teach me how  
to believe in me.  
Hold my head high,  
and not blindly see.

Teach me to make  
my dreams come true,  
And to be good  
at whatever I do.

To give much more,  
than I expect,  
To learn to give  
every person respect.

Teach me to know  
the wrong from right,  
To learn to appreciate,  
a beautiful sight.

Teach me to smile when  
a frown is in my heart.  
Teach me how to set free,  
my loved ones who depart.

Teach me how to withstand  
each storm that comes my way.  
Remain standing till it's gone  
and not fade away.

To learn to accept realities,  
and take them with a smile.  
To be one out of many,  
unique with a different style.

**Ami Lakhpatwala**  
**Class X**

## IT TAKES COURAGE

It takes courage to live  
amidst cruelty.  
Survive even though  
there's pain and poverty.

It takes courage to stand,  
for what is right.  
Be firm and strong,  
yet in your heart feel light.

It takes courage to be,  
what most people are not  
To do the things  
that most people dare not

It takes courage to stand  
for what is yours.  
Be willing to fight  
till victory is yours.

It takes courage to know  
and yet not ignore.  
To fight against wrong,  
and yet not abhor.

Ami Lakhpatwala  
Class X

## THE HUMAN WORTH OF A LETTER

A letter - What does it mean? Normally, one would think a letter is something which consists of three - four hundred words or two or three pages.

Most of my life I've spent thinking that a letter is just a couple of pages which you write to your parents asking them for something. When I was young, the only reason that I wrote to my father, who used to work overseas, was for toys or clothes or some special thing. My father used to always ask me to write longer letters informing him of my progress, both physical and mental. I never did understand my father's problem till I was about fifteen years old and joined a boarding school. Once in school, I was alone away from my mother, my father and my sister. For the first month I did not write home. Then as time passed, I began to miss them very much. So I wrote a very long letter to my family.

As soon as I posted the letter, I started waiting for the reply. I did realize that it would take time for the letter to reach my house and it would also take time for the reply to come back. For the next three days, I repeatedly asked the boys whether any letter had come for me but it was all in vain. After this, I felt a slight anger which grew inside me as time went by. I felt that my parents, had disowned me, thrown me away to rot in a boarding school, they did not care for me, disliked me and wanted to get rid of me.

The above adverse emotions only caused me to become a bad tempered person and that did not solve anything. Finally on a Friday afternoon, a boy came racing towards me with a white envelope shouting in Hindi, that my letter had come. I stood up silently and it was as if I could not move from my position. It was enclosed in a white envelope. I quickly tore it open and unfolded the four white pages. But I did not care how many pages or how many words the letter had.

As I read the letter tears rolled down my cheeks. This letter contained not only words but it reflected the affection, care and love of my parents. The feelings that were expressed, could not easily have been expressed over a telephone or even in person. I had waited five days for this letter, for this link between me and my loved ones and then I realized how my father must have felt when he waited for months together for news from me.

I think this is the human worth of a letter - the feelings and affection it messages, news, and it basically is a bond you share with people.

Now-a-days whenever I am free I make it a point to write home and to my near and dear ones.

Siddharth Bhavnani  
Class X

Love is the soul of everything :  
just as the commonest flint  
will emit sparks when struck.

Wherever you may be,  
whoever you are, and whatever the burden  
and hardship of your life, you can love.

It is pleasant to think that  
the sunshine, and the winds,  
and the trees are able to love in  
some way of their own.

Though nature seems so  
solitary and silent through the  
long winter, or in the great far-  
stretching lands, she is never  
desolate, for through her the  
Spirit of Love, which is the  
Spirit of God, is ever  
breathing.

F. B. Meyer

# HINDI SECTION

## मेरी हिन्दी टिचर

मेरी हिन्दी टीचर का नाम मिसेज बोरले है। वह बार्नर्स स्कूल में पढ़ाती हैं। वह सप्ताह में तीन बार क्लास लेती हैं। मेरी हिन्दी टीचर की बेटी भी हिन्दी टीचर हैं। उनके पति भी वहाँ काम करते हैं। जब भी मुझे कुछ समझ नहीं आता है तो मिस फिर से समझाती हैं। मेरी हिन्दी टीचर बहुत अच्छी हैं।

निखिल पिल्लवाल  
कक्षा - चौथी 'अ'

## मुठ्ठी भर तारे

मुठ्ठी भर तारे  
फैल गए सारे  
भर गया आकाश  
फैल गया प्रकाश।

बिन्दिया सा गोल  
चंदा है अनमोल  
चाँदनी है शीतल  
निर्मल, स्वच्छ, उज्वल।

रात का आकाश  
तारों का झूमर  
लगता है ऐसे जैसे  
दुल्हन की चूनर।

सोहन मदनानी  
कक्षा पाँचवी 'अ'

## गौर कीजिएगा

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| १) दुनिया का अन्तिम स्थान    | - | कब्रिस्थान |
| २) जबरदस्ती उठाने वाला दोस्त | - | खटमल       |
| ३) निरपराध का फंदा           | - | टाई        |
| ४) रात में गुनगुनाने वाला    | - | मच्छर      |

सोहन मदनानी  
कक्षा पाँचवी 'अ'

## पुष्पाँजलि

कल जन्म दिवस था  
मेरी माँ का।  
चुनने गयी फूल  
बगिया में।

देने उपहार सबेरे का,  
हाथ बढ़ा कर जैसे।  
ही तोडा डाली से,  
वह बोला घबराकर।

तोडो पर प्यार से,  
मैं तुम्हारा मित्र हूँ।  
रखना हमेशा याद,  
करके मेरा धन्यवाद।

स्निग्धा  
कक्षा छठी 'ब'

## मेरी मैया

जब मैं छोटी थी, तब किसने,  
मुझको दूध पिलाया था  
खूब खिलौने दिखा-दिखाकर,  
मुखड़ा चूम खेलाया था ?

थपकी मार सुलाती थी ?  
कभी गोद में, कभी प्रेम से  
झूला डाल झुलाती थी ?  
मेरी मैया ! मेरी मैया !

जब मैं खड़ी न हो सकती थी,  
हाथ पकड़कर खड़ा किया।  
किसने इतना कष्ट उठाकर  
पाल-पोसकर बड़ा किया ?  
मेरी मैया ! मेरी मैया !

कौन सुनाकर मुझे कहानी  
सुन्दर शिक्षा देती थी ?  
जब मैं रोती थी मेरी सुधि  
कौन दौडकर लेती थी ?  
मेरी मैया ! मेरी मैया !

## पहेलियाँ

(१) नीचे टपको ऊपर जाती  
ऊपर से फिर नीचे आती,  
ढब- ढब ढब - ढब, ढोल बजाती

उत्तर : गेंद

(२) मैं नीचे आती हूँ,  
परन्तु ऊपर कभी नहीं जाती।

उत्तर : नदी

(३) बहुत सारे गेहूँ,  
लेकिन उसमें एक भी पथर नहीं

उत्तर : चाँद और सितारे

(४) सुबह को सोती  
रात को रोती

उत्तर : मोमबत्ती

(५) कटोरे पर कटोरा  
बेटा बाप से भी गोरा

उत्तर : नारीयल

(६) एक अजुबा मैने देखा, मुर्दा रोटी खाए  
बोलने पर न सुने  
मारने पर गुर्गाए

उत्तर : ढोलक।

- (७) एक थाल मोतियों से भरा,  
सबके सर पर ओंघा धरा  
जिदर - जिदर थाल चले,  
मोती उससे एक न गिरे
- उत्तर : तारे, आकाश।
- (८) तीन अक्षर का मेरा नाम  
उल्टा सीधा एक समान।
- उत्तर : डालडा।
- (९) ऐसी कौन सी चीज जो  
टूटने पर ही अच्छी लगती है।
- उत्तर : अँडा।
- (१०) एक जानवर ऐसा  
जिसके दुम पर पैसा।
- उत्तर : मोर
- (११) शरीर में जो पैदा होवे,  
छाँव देख मुरझाए।  
ऐसी सखी मैं तुमसे पूछूँ  
हवा लगे मर जाए।
- उत्तर : पसीना।
- (१२) इतने बड़े आले मियाँ  
इतने बड़े बाले मियाँ  
इतनी बड़ी पूँछ  
जहाँ जाए आले मियाँ वहाँ जाए पूँछ।
- उत्तर : सुई धागा।
- (१३) टेढा मेढा रास्ता  
बीच में खड्डा।
- उत्तर : कान
- (१४) तीन पैर है।  
बीच में एक आँख है।  
बोलो तो वो क्या है।
- उत्तर : पँखा।
- (१५) बीसों के सर काटे दिए  
न मारा न खून किया
- उत्तर - नाखून।

### एक पक्षी का जीवन

१९४७ से पहले आजादी के लिए हमें जिस प्रकार का कष्ट हुआ था, कुछ उसी प्रकार का कष्ट पिंजड़े में कैद एक पक्षी को भी होता है। चिड़ियाँ एक आजाद जीव है। मानव जात की तरह पशु पक्षी को भी स्वतंत्र्य रहने का अधिकार है।

यूँ तो पिंजड़े में कैद चिड़िया को हर प्रकार का सुख प्राप्त है, खाना, पीना, अथवा दूसरी चीजें, भी यहाँ उसे किसी बेहिलए का डर नहीं, जान के लाले भी नहीं रहते। फिर भी चिड़ियाँ अपने इस जीवन से खुश नहीं है। और हो भी कैसे, किसे कैद जिन्दगी पसंद है।

और चिड़िया जो आजाद है, वह ज्यादा सुखी है, उसे हर प्रकार का सुख, प्राप्त है, यहाँ वह मन पसंद खाना, स्वाद का पानी, फलफूल और दूसरा अन्य प्रकार का खाना-पानी प्राप्त है। वह उड सकती है। वह अपने दोस्तो - सहेलियों के साथ उडती है, इस खुले मद भरे गगन का नजारा लेती है। जिसे एक कैद जिन्दगी को

प्राप्त नहीं, इस माने में यह सुखी है। पर हर वक्त जान के लाले कभी बेहिलए का डर, क्या यह दूसरे माने से सही है। क्या चिड़िया की कैद जिन्दगी में उसकी भलाई है? या आजाद जिन्दगी में?

मेरे विचार से आजाद जिन्दगी ज्यादा बेहतर है, क्योंकि हर पक्षी को आजाद रहने का हक्क है, अपना भविष्य और जिन्दगी अपने अनुसार तय और जीने का अधिकार है और यह अधिकार हम मनुष्यो ने छीन लिया है। मेरे विचार से इन्की आजादी में ही इन्की भलाई है और इनको आजाद ही रखना चाहिए। और मुझे आशा है कि आपका भी यही विचार है।

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### किताब

किताब हमारे जीवन में एक महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका अदा करती है। ऐसा कहा भी गया है कि किताब मनुष्य की सबसे अच्छी साथी होती है। किताबों से हमें अनेक प्रकार का ज्ञान उपलब्ध होता है। हमारे ज्ञान को बढ़ाने के लिए किताब पढ़ना अत्याधिक आवश्यक है। किताबों के द्वारा हमें विभिन्न जीव-जन्तुओं के विषय में पता चलता है। बच्चों के लिए अलग-अलग कहानियाँ की किताब भी मिलती है जो बच्चों के लिए बहुत मनमोहक सिद्ध होती है। अनेक कवयित्री कविताओं की रचना करते हैं और यदि हमें इन कविताओं को पढ़ना है तो इसके लिए भी अनेक पुस्तक उपलब्ध है। पुस्तक को ज्ञान का भण्डार घर भी कहा जा सकता है। पुस्तक केवल बच्चों के लिए ही नहीं होती है। बल्कि बड़ों के लिए भी होती है ताकि वे जीवन के प्रति जागरूक हो जाएँ।

बरसो से यह बोल प्रचलित है कि हमें कभी किसी पुस्तक के विषय में उसके उपरी दिखावे से फैसला नहीं करना चाहिये कि वह पुस्तक अच्छी है या बुरी। हो सकता है कि कोई पुस्तक दिखने में बेकार लगती हो पर वास्तव में ऐसा नहीं है। हमें बचपन से ही किताब पढ़ने की आदत लगा लेनी चाहिए क्योंकि हम जितनी किताब पढ़ेंगे हमारा ज्ञान उतना ही बढ़ेगा। हमारे विद्यालय में जो पढ़ाया जाता है हमें उन किताबों को भी चाव से पढ़ना चाहिये, चाहे वह हिंदी हो मराठी हो, अंग्रेजी हो, गणित हो या इतिहास हो।

निष्कर्षतः मैं यह कहना चाहती हूँ कि हमें जितना हो सके उतनी पुस्तक की अध्ययन करने चाहिए जिससे की हमारा ज्ञान बढ़े और हम देश के आदर्श नागरिक बने क्योंकि ज्ञानी लोग ही देश की प्रगति में सहायक होते हैं।

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## मैं हूँ राजा जंगल का ।

मैं हूँ राजा जंगल का ।  
मुझे कहते हैं बब्बर शेर ।  
राज करता हूँ जंगल में ।  
सब है मेरे पंजे में ।

धूमता हूँ मैं मस्त मौला  
इस हरे भरे जंगल में ।  
मेरा राज चलता है ।  
इन सारे पशु - पक्षियों में ।

बंदर बना प्रधान मेरा ।  
हिरण बने सिपाही सारे ।  
खरगोश बना कोतवाल मेरा ।  
हाथी बना पहलवान प्यारा ।

लोमड़ी बनी सभी की मंत्री ।  
गधा बना जंगल का संत्री ।  
कोयल के गीत मीठे ।  
मयूर के पैर थिरक उठे ।

चूहा बजा रहा है ढोलक ।  
बिल्ली बनी राजा की सेवक ।  
पंखा चलाती बिल्ली रानी ।  
कछुआ भर रहा है पानी ।

कछुये की धीमी चाल ।  
सब जंगल में है खुशहाल ।  
ऐसा मेरा नवरत्न दरबार ।  
चलता है यहाँ पर मेरा राज ।

मैं हूँ राजा जंगल का ।  
मुझे कहते हैं बब्बर शेर ।

## मुक्ति

पूजा करने सेही मिलती है ।  
प्रभु की सच्ची भक्ति ।  
भावना से मिलती है ।  
पापो से मुक्ति ॥

दिल के अंदर झाँक लेने से ।  
दीख जाती है सम्पूर्ण गलती ।  
मन को शांत रखने से ही ।  
मिलती है कटुता से मुक्ति ॥

सेवा करने से ही मिलती है ।  
हमको आत्म शाक्ति ।  
बड़ों के चरणों को धोने से ।  
मिलती है दुःख से मुक्ति ॥

मिलन और मिलाप से ही ।  
बन जाती है दोस्ती ।  
सब झगड़ों को मिटाकर  
मिलती है शत्रुता से मुक्ति ॥

माता - पिता की सेवा कर  
मिलता है आशीर्वाद का सौभाग्य ।  
बुरे कर्म न करके,  
मिलती है नर्क से मुक्ति ॥

पार्थ भडकमकर  
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## आँखों देखी घटना

एक दिन मैं अपने घर में परीक्षा की तैयारी कर रही थी, रात के दो बज रहे थे, अचानक बचाओ ! बचाओ ! की आवाजे आ रही थी । पहले मैंने सोचा कि इस झमेले में क्यों पड़ूँ बाद में सोचा कि मदद करना चाहिये ।

मैं नीचे गई और देखा कि सब आग बुझाने की कोशिश कर रहे थे, पर आग इतनी लगी हुई थी कि बुझ भी नहीं रही थी । मैंने उन्हे परेशानी में देखकर उनकी मदद करने की सोची और अपने घर गई और वहाँ से फायर ब्रिगेड ऑफिस में फोन किया ।

दस पंद्रह मिनट में फायर ब्रिगेड आई । और घर पर पानी डाला, शायद भाग्य खराब था इसलिए पानी खत्म हो गया । मैंने उसे कहा कि जाओ और पानी लेकर आओ ।

अचानक मुझे लगा की कोई अंदर है, देखा तो एक औरत और उसका बच्चा अंदर था, मैंने देखा अपने आप को बहादुर बनाया और उन्हे बाहर निकाल लाई । थोड़ी देर बाद फायर ब्रिगेड आई, तो मैंने उस आदमी को चिल्लायी कि जब सब खत्म हो गया तब क्यों आए हो, पहले देखते नहीं बनता था कि पानी है या नहीं । वह मुझे ही चिल्लाने लगा, मैंने उसके अफसर से कहा तो उसने उसे समझाया ।

सब खत्म होने के बाद मैं ऊपर आई और परीक्षा के बारे में सोचा । ज्यादा तो पढ नहीं पाई पर अच्छे नंबर से पास हो गई । मैंने सोचा किसी की जान तो बचाई । अगले बार कर लूँगी ।

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## पेड़ - पौधों का हमारे वातावरण पर असर

पेड़ - पौधों का हमारे वातावरण पर गहरा प्रभाव पड़ता है । पहली बात यह है कि पेड़ वातावरण को शुद्ध करते हैं । जिससे कि हम लोग एक स्वस्थ जीवन व्यतीत करते हैं परन्तु आजकल पेड़ों को बड़ी तेजी से काटा जा रहा है । कारखानों से निकला हुआ धुँआ वातावरण को अस्वच्छ कर देता है । इसका हमारे स्वास्थ्य पर भी बुरा प्रभाव पड़ता है । यही कारण है कि आज पेड़ों को काटने पर रोक लगा दी गई है । इसके बावजूद भी ऐसे बहुत से लोग हैं जो अभी भी पेड़ों को काटते जा रहे हैं । हमारे वातावरण की अस्वच्छता को दूर करने के लिए पेड़ - पौधे एक महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाते हैं । केवल कारखानों में निकला हुआ धुँआ ही हमारे लिए घातक सिद्ध होता है । अस्वस्थ वातावरण का प्रभाव सीधा हमारी तबीयत पर पड़ता है । ग्रामिणों का स्वास्थ्य हमेशा स्वस्थ रहता है क्योंकि गाँव में स्वच्छ हवा चलती है जो कि पेड़ पौधों से ही संभव है । इन लोगों की उमर बहुत बड़ी होती है परन्तु शहरी नागरिकों की उमर कम हो जाती है क्योंकि शहर का वातावरण प्रदूषित रहता है और शहर में इतने पेड़ - पौधे भी नहीं हैं जो कि वातावरण को स्वच्छ कर सकें । अतः नागरिकों का यह फर्ज है कि हमें साल में एक बार कम से कम एक पौधा लगाना चाहिए क्योंकि उस एक पौधे का भी वातावरण पर बहुत गहरा एव अच्छा प्रभाव पड़ता है ।

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भारत-जननी एक हृदय हो।  
एक राष्ट्र भाषा हिन्दी में, कोटि - कोटि  
जनता की जय हो !

स्नेह - सिक्त मानस की वाणी,  
गूँजे गिरा यही कल्याणी।  
चिर उदार भारत की संस्कृति सदा  
अमर हो, सदा अजय हो।

मिटे विषमता सरसे समता,  
रहे मूल में मीठी ममता,  
तसमस - कतिमा को विदीर्ण कर जन - जन  
का पथ ज्योतिर्मय हो।

जाति धर्म, भाषा विभिन्न स्वर,  
एक राग हिन्दी में सजकर,  
संस्कृत करे हृदय तन्मी को  
स्नेह भाव प्रणों में लय हो।

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### खुशबू

पाकर चंदन तन की खुशबू  
घर आगँन में महकी खुशबू  
मीरा के गीतों छंदो में  
मोहन की प्यारी खुशबू

माँ के इन पावन ऑंचल पर  
मेरे बचपन की प्यारी खुशबू  
टूटे संबंधों में भी होगी  
मेरे संबंधों की खुशबू  
पाकर चंदन तन की खुशबू

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हमारे हुजूर मोहम्मद ने बहुत कष्ट उठाए। उन्होंने तीस दिनों तक न कुछ खाया न कुछ पिया। इसलिए रमजान के महीने में तीस दिनों के रोजे के बाद ईद मनायी जाती है। ईद मुसलमानों द्वारा मनायी जाती है।

हम तीस दिन जब रोजे रखते हैं उसमें हर दिन सुबह सूरज निकलने से पहले खाना चाहिए उसे हम सरगी कहते हैं। और शाम को जब सूरज डूब जाता है तभी राजा तोडा जाता है, इसे इफ्तयारी कहते हैं। जिस दिन भी रोजा रखा जाता है, उस दिन पाँचो वक्त की नमाज पढनी चाहिए। कोई गाली गलोज, मार-पीट, झगडा या कोई बुरा काम नहीं करना चाहिए। रोजा रखने से हमारे गुनाह माफ किए जाते हैं। और हमें बहुत सबाब मिलता है। रोजे के आखरी दिन, शाम के समय आसमान में बहुत ही बारीक नाखुन जैसा चाँद अगर दिख जाए, उसका मतलब है कि अगले दिन ईद है। इसे हम चाँद रात के नाम से जानते हैं। चाँद रात को सारे लोग अपने - अपने घर की छतों पर खडे होकर चाँद का इन्तजार करते हैं। क्योंकि उन्हे ईद का बडी बेसबरी से इन्तजार होता है।

जब चाँद दिखाई देता है तो फौरन सारे लोग ईद की तैयारी करने निकल पडते हैं। सब लोग नए कपडे खरीदने जाते हैं और जूते भी। फिर मस्जिद से ऐलान होता है कि अगले दिन ईद है। ईद के दिन सब लोग सुबह जल्दी उठकर नहा-धोकर जल्दी से नमाज पढने लग जाते हैं। फिर एक दूसरे को ईद मुबारक कहकर ईद की बधाईयाँ देते हैं। एक दूसरे के घर जाकर शिरकुमा खाकर खुश रहते हैं।

दो तरह की ईद होती है। एक तो है रमजान ईद और दूसरी है बकरी ईद। बकरी ईद के दिन बकरियाँ काटते हैं। किसी के भी नाम से बकरी काटते हैं। शायद ईद का दिन और रमजान का महीना (बहुत पाक होता है।) इसलिए पुरे साल होता तो, इस दुनिया में कितनी शांति बनी रहती।

ईद का दिन रोज आए और रमजान का महीना पूरे साल रहे यही मैं अल्लाह से दुआ करूँगी और हमेशा खुशी का माहोल बँधा रहे इसी के लिए प्रार्थना करूँगी।

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## प्रातःकाल की शोभा

भारत वर्ष में हमारा हर एक दिवस प्रातः काल में सूर्य की पहली किरण से आरंभ होता है। प्रातःकाल का अर्थ है सुबह का समय। प्रातःकाल की शोभा देखने योग्य है। यह मन मोहक शोभा केवल प्रातःकाल में ही पायी जाती है।

जिस तरह हर उँगलियाँ समान नहीं होती उसी तरह प्रातःकाल का समय हर स्थान पर एक - सा नहीं होता। यह तो प्रकृति के अनुरूप बदलता रहता है। प्रातःकाल की शोभा का वर्णन कुछ इस प्रकार है।

ऊँचे ऊँचे पहाड़ों पर जब भोर का प्रकाश फूटता है तब पर्वतों के बीच में पूर्व दिशा की ओर से सूर्य देवता धीमे धीमे निकल आते हैं, तब ऐसा लगता है कि पूरा आकाश स्वर्ण की भाँती चमक उठा है। इसी हलके - हलके ताप से पहाड़ों की ऊपर की चोटियों से बर्फ धीमे - धीमे पिघलने लगती है। साथ ही इसी सूर्य की पहली किरणों से पहाड़ों से बहती हुई नदियों का वेग बढ जाता है।

पहाड़ी इलाकों के नीचे मैदानी इलाकों में भी यह शोभा देखते ही बनती है। पूर्व दिशा से सूर्य भास्कर के रूप में निकलता है तथा सूर्य की पहली किरण निकलते ही रात के शांत वातावरण में एक नई चहल - पहल मच जाती है। सूर्य की पहली किरण रात के तिमिर को काँटती हुई मनुष्य के घरों में जाती है तथा उन्हें यह संदेश देती है कि 'उठो'। सूर्य अपने रथ पर निकल पडा है। इसी सूर्य की पहली किरण को देखते ही मनुष्य नव प्रभात को नमस्कार करता है तथा अपनी दिन चर्या प्रारंभ करता है।

समुद्र तट पर सूर्य को उदय होते देखने में अलग ही मजा है। पूर्व की दिशा से सूर्य अपनी पहली किरणों को सागर के बीचों बीच ऊपर आकाश की ओर फेंकता है। समुद्र की छोटी छोटी लहरें सूर्य के निकलते ही ऐसा प्रतीत होती हैं मानो वो सब सूर्य को नमस्कार कर रही हों। सूर्य भी एक हर्षित बच्चे के समान लहरों से खेलते हुए ऊपर आता है। अपने प्रतिबिम्ब को देखने के बाद वह फूला नहीं समाता। प्रातःकाल की हवा शुद्ध होती है। सुबह - सुबह घुमने से हम लागो को शुद्ध एवं पवित्र हवा मिलती है। सूर्य की पहली किरण वातावरण में फैले किटाणुओंको नष्ट कर देती है। कमल सूर्य की किरणों को देखते ही खिल उठते हैं। पशु - पक्षी हर्ष उल्लास के साथ वातावरण को हर्षित कर देते हैं।

यह कथन को कोई असत्य नहीं साबित कर सकता है कि प्रातःकाल की शोभा का वर्णन इसकी सुंदरता के मुताबिक नहीं हो सकता। इसके अनेकों लाभ हैं इसीलिए इसे अनमोल कहा गया है।

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तीस दिन, पूरे दिन का बीतना एक रूटीन सा बन जाती है। कभी दिन में बहुत काम होने के कारण वह व्यस्तता और थकावट में व्यतीत होता है तो कभी शांति और आराम से।

ऐसा ही व्यस्त दिन था पिछला रविवार। हमारे गाँव में हर रविवार को बाजार भरता है। रविवार को मेरी यह जिम्मेदारी होती है कि मैं बाजार में जाकर सब्जी ले आऊँ। इस रविवार को भी ऐसा ही हुआ परंतु एक अलग ढंग से - सुबह को उठकर मुझे अन्य काम होने के कारण वह कार्य करने पडे। खैर - सब्जी लेकर मैं साढे दस बजे तक आ गया।

परीक्षा न होने के कारण मुझे पढाई की चिंता न थी। फिर भी मैं पढने बैठ गया। बस अभी कुछ पाँच - दस मिनट भी न हुए थे, फोन की घंटी जी। उठानेपर मैंने सुरेश की विनोदी आवाज सुनी। उसकी खुशी का कारण पूछने पर उसने बताया कि आज उसका जन्मदिन था और वह एक पार्टी रख रहा था। उसने मुझसे यह भी कहा कि मैं उसे रख रहा था। उसने मुझसे यह भी कहा कि मैं उसे मदद करने आजाऊँ तो अच्छा होगा।

मुझे क्या था, मैं तो उसके घर ग्यारह बजे पहुँच गया। हम दोनों को हॉल में डेकोरेशन (सजावट) करनी थी। हम अपने काम में जुट गए।

भोजन करने के उपरान्त हम दोनों फिर उसी कार्य में व्यस्त रहे। पार्टी का मुहूर्त पास आ रहा था। हमारा कार्य भी समाप्ति पर था और जब पहला मेहमान आया तो सब तैयारी हो गई थी। हमारे कपडों को देखकर यह नहीं लग रहा था कि हमने वे सबेरे पहने थे। सुरेश फिर नहाने चला गया। मैं भी घर आ गया और नहा लिया। घर आने पर लगभग छः बजे पार्टी आरंभ हुई। आठ बजे तक का वक्त किस तरह दौड गया यह पता ही न चला फिर मैं सुरेश को शुभकामनाएँ देकर उससे विदा ले घर आया। साढे आठ बजे मैं घर पहुँचा। भोजन की इच्छा न होने के कारण मैं थकावटभरी अंगडाई लेकर सो गया। दूसरे दिन मम्मी की पुकार पर उठा।

ऐसा रविवार कभी न बीता था। इस अनोखे व्यस्त रविवार का ताजा वर्णन मैंने आपको किया है - जो मैं न भुलूँगा।

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## पैसा

पैसे से इनसान खरीद सकता है । लेकिन उसकी इनसानीयत नहीं ।  
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पैसे से कुत्ता खरीदा जा सकता है । लेकिन उसकी खुबीयाँ नहीं ।  
पैसे से फूल खरीदा जा सकता है । लेकिन उसकी खुशबू नहीं ।  
पैसे से छुरी खरीदी जा सकती है । लेकिन उसकी धार नहीं ।  
पैसे से कलाकार खरीदा जा सकता है । लेकिन उसकी कला नहीं ।

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