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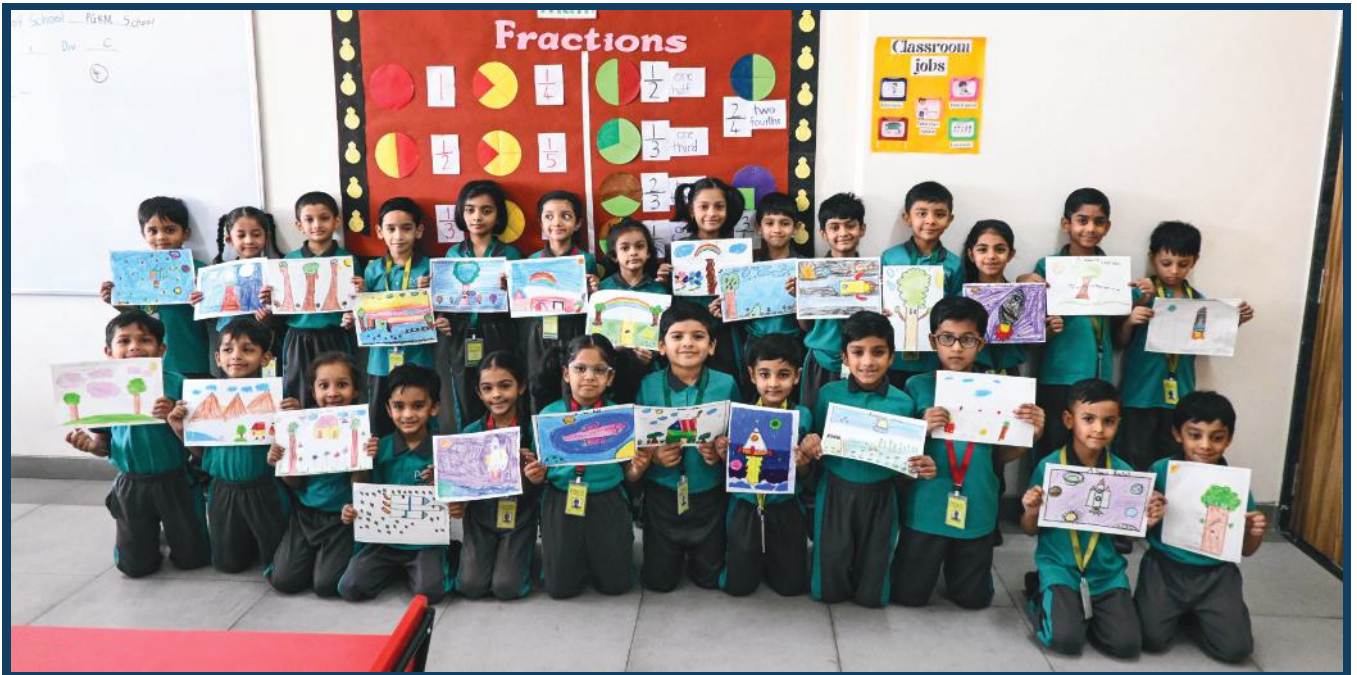
**PGKM**  
AN ULTRA MODERN GURUKUL

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**RANGATATVA**

**A Celebration of Colours and Creativity in school**



### A Celebration of Colors, Creativity and Imagination!

What a fun and colorful day it was at रंगतटवा - The Drawing Competition 2024-25! This vibrant event brought together the imagination of over 820 enthusiastic young artists, turning classrooms into buzzing art studios filled with colors, excitement, and limitless creativity.

From talking trees to space rockets, and futuristic cities to traditional folk art, every drawing told a unique and wonderful story. The air was alive with the spirit of exploration and expression, as students across grades poured their hearts into their artwork.





### Themes and Creations:

Each grade had specially curated themes, and the results were truly magical:

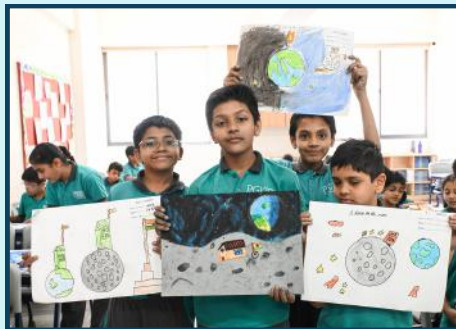
*Grades 1–2: Beautiful gardens, Talking trees, Space rockets*

*Grades 3–4: School picnics, Underwater worlds, Houses on the moon*

*Grades 5–6: Holi celebrations, Dream picnics, Indian folk art*

*Grades 7–8: Futuristic cities, Traditional art from around the world*

From dreamy underwater scenes to joyful depictions of Holi festivities, every creation was filled with life, imagination, and a deep sense of wonder. At रंगतट्वा, it wasn't just about competing — it was about expressing, learning, and most importantly, having fun. Watching our young artists lose themselves in the joy of creation was the biggest reward.







***"It is better to debate a question without settling it than to settle a question without debating it."***

Debate is one of the academic activities that gives students creative room to express what they feel. The length and breadth of knowledge that they gain through this is simply unparalleled. A debate competition for the grade 6th to 8th was held in PGKM School, on 19th March 2025. The competition was held in the auditorium. The students of class grade 6, 7 and 8 were the enthusiastic audience to witness this exciting competition.

The topics for various standards were as follows. Std 6 – Peer pressure is a good thing, Std 7 - Human teachers can be replaced by mechanical teachers, Std 8- Brain drain is a curse.

The competition was judged by Ms. Kirti Vaze and Ms. Kajal Serashiya. The Participants were judged on the parameters of content, fluency, confidence, overall presentation. The teams were prepared and undoubtedly convinced the audience with their beliefs and views. The participants were armed with statistics and data, making their arguments more emphatic with their righteous facial expressions and voice modulation. They exhibited great oratory skills. The competition was an enthralling experience for the speakers as well as the audience.







Our school recently hosted an Extempore Competition, which saw enthusiastic participation from students. The event provided a platform for young orators to showcase their public speaking skills, creativity, and spontaneity.

The competition was held in three rounds, with the finalists facing off in a thrilling finale. The topics ranged from social issues to current events, testing the contestants' ability to think on their feet. The event was a resounding success, with participants and audience members alike praising the English team for providing a stimulating and engaging experience. We congratulate the winners and thank all participants for their enthusiastic involvement.





## Students Shine Bright in SOF Olympiads with a Golden Performance



**International English Olympiad Winners**

The students have once again proved their mettle by achieving remarkable success in the prestigious SOF Olympiads. A total of 33 students bagged Gold Medals of Excellence in the SOF IGKO (International General Knowledge Olympiad), 28 students excelled in the SOF NSO (National Science Olympiad), and 34 students triumphed in the SOF IEO (International English Olympiad).

Adding to this glorious achievement, Riddhi Shah earned the Gold Medal of Distinction in the SOF IEO, standing out among top performers.

This outstanding performance is a testament to the hard work of the students, the guidance of their teachers, and the unwavering support of their parents. Heartfelt congratulations to all the proud parents and educators who played a crucial role in this golden journey!



**National Science Olympiad Winners**



**International General Knowledge Olympiad Winners**

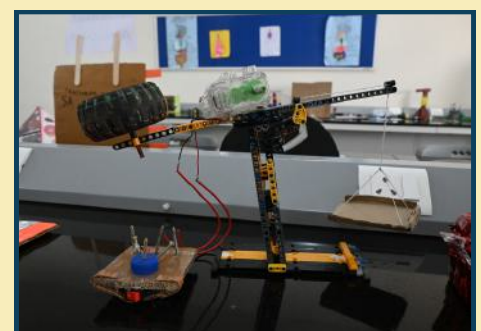
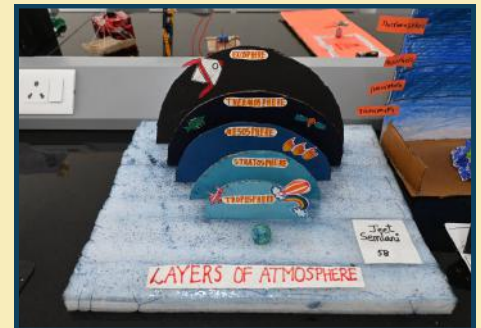


## Learning in Action: Simple Machines Exhibition by Young Learners

Students from the primary section wowed everyone with their creativity and scientific thinking as they presented a vibrant array of working models in a school exhibition. These hands-on projects showcased a variety of simple machines, electric circuits, model cars, elevators, and many more concepts explored in the classroom.

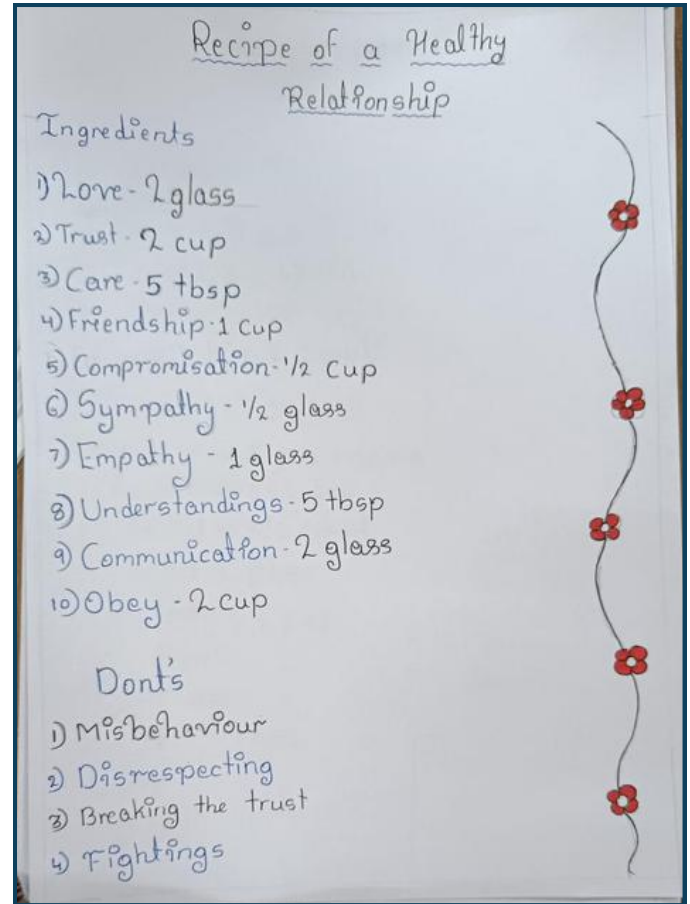
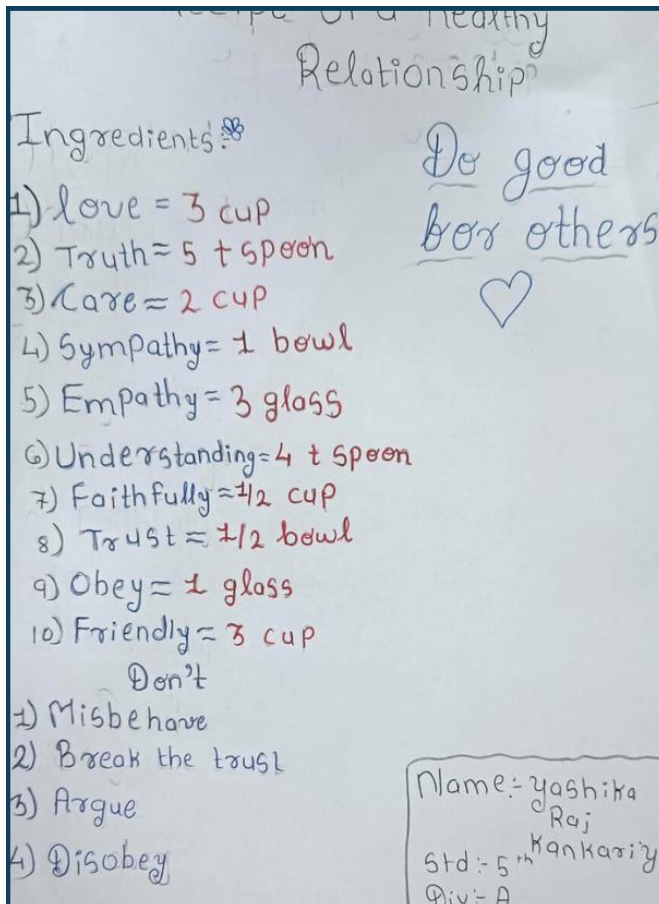
The exhibition was not limited to machines alone—students also created models on topics like the food chain, different seasons, and even a miniature medical kit. Each model reflected their clear understanding of the subject and their ability to apply knowledge in imaginative ways.

Through this engaging display, students demonstrated not only their grasp of academic content but also their innovative mindset. The event turned into an exciting learning space, sparking curiosity among visitors and leaving everyone inspired by the young minds' enthusiasm and talent.



## Grade 5 Explores Healthy Relationships Through Creative Activity

Grade 5 students recently participated in a thought-provoking activity, "Recipe for a Healthy Relationship" which was connected to the theme "Life skills". This engaging exercise aimed to educate students on the essential ingredients for nurturing positive relationships. Students created their own "recipes" for healthy relationships. This activity encouraged Grade 5 students to reflect on the importance of relationships in their lives and to develop valuable skills for fostering positive connections with others.



## Treasure Hunt Activity: Discovering Simple and Complex Machines

Grade 5 students embarked on an exciting treasure hunt adventure around the school campus to identify and discover simple and complex machines. Through this interactive activity, students developed their critical thinking and teamwork. They successfully identified and documented various machines, gaining a deeper understanding of their functions and applications. This treasure hunt activity made learning fun and engaging, sparking curiosity and enthusiasm among Grade 5 students!







### Safety First: A Hands-on Journey into First Aid and Health Awareness

To instill essential life skills and health awareness among students, we conducted an interactive session on safety measures and first aid. This engaging activity combined theory with practical demonstrations, ensuring that young minds grasped the importance of quick response in emergencies.

The session began with a discussion on common injuries such as cuts, burns, and sprains, followed by live demonstrations of first aid techniques. Students actively participated in learning how to clean a wound, apply a bandage, and perform the correct method of CPR. Their excitement grew as they got a chance to practice these skills under guidance. A major highlight of the activity was the demonstration of a BP (Blood Pressure) machine. Students eagerly volunteered to check their blood pressure, learning about systolic and diastolic readings, and understanding how lifestyle factors impact heart health. This hands-on experience made them more conscious of maintaining a healthy routine.

Through this session, students not only gained crucial knowledge but also developed a sense of responsibility towards their own well-being and that of others. The activity concluded with an insightful discussion where students shared their takeaways, reinforcing the lesson that "A little knowledge and quick action can save a life!"







The Art Studio recently transformed into a vibrant gallery of talent as students showcased their year-long creative journey through a Hobby Exhibition. From paintings, drawings, and origami to pottery, calligraphy, and craftwork, each corner of the studio reflected dedication, imagination, and joyful learning. Students also proudly presented their work in German language, fashion designing, and model making, demonstrating their growth beyond the regular curriculum. The exhibition not only highlighted the diverse hobbies students pursued but also celebrated their confidence in expressing themselves through various artistic forms.







On Saturday, 22.3.25, class 6 A, B, C went on an exciting and educational visit to the Kelkar Museum. Located in Pune, this museum is famous for its vast collection of artifacts, paintings, and antique objects that showcase India's rich cultural heritage. We were eager to explore and learn about the fascinating exhibits.

As we entered the museum, we were amazed by the wide variety of artifacts on display. The museum has beautiful collections of musical instruments, ancient weapons, traditional utensils, and intricate sculptures. We especially loved the replica of the Mastani Mahal, which transported us back in time to the era of the Peshwas.

One of the highlights of our visit was the fun-filled scavenger hunt organized by our teachers. We were divided into small teams and given a list of items to find within the museum. This activity made us observe the artifacts closely and helped us learn interesting facts about each one. The excitement of searching for hidden treasures made our visit even more enjoyable.

Apart from the scavenger hunt, we also played several engaging games related to history and art. These games tested our memory, observation skills, and teamwork. We had a great time guessing the names of ancient objects, solving riddles, and participating in quizzes.

The visit to the Kelkar Museum was both educational and entertaining. We not only learned about India's rich history but also had fun exploring it in an interactive way. This trip will always remain a cherished memory for all of us!





## CBSE INDUCTION PROGRAM

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CoE), Pune, organized a two-day capacity building program on "Induction Training" themed "Guru Dakshata" for educators at PGKM School. The program aimed to enhance the teaching skills of educators, particularly new teachers, and provide them with effective strategies for classroom management, pedagogical skills, and professional development.



### DAY 1

4th April 2025

### DAY 2

5th April 2025



#### Resource person

- Mr. Avinash Kulkarni
- Mr. Abhilash Kudiyathu



## Capacity Building Program on Induction Training (Guru Dakshata)

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Avinash Kulkarni and Abhilash Kudiyathu were the main resource persons for this training. They engaged the teachers with the package of training and fun activities which helped the teachers to remain focused and fresh throughout the session.

The main agenda of the training was to throw light on topics such as CBSE Trainings and Role of CoEs, Affiliation System, Academic Initiatives and Resources, Examinations and Role of Ros, Special Examinations, Media and PR etc.

The training was of great experience in teacher training and pedagogy and facilitated sessions on various topics aimed at nurturing and enhancing the teaching capabilities of educators.

The program saw enthusiastic participation from teachers across various subjects. Feedback collected indicated high levels of satisfaction with the training, with many participants expressing appreciation for the interactive nature of the sessions and the useful resources shared.

Attendees received comprehensive resource materials that would aid in their future teaching endeavors as well as the participants were rewarded with a certificate.

The Capacity Building Program on Induction Training (Guru Dakshata) conducted at PGKM School was a significant step towards professional development for educators. The knowledge and skills imparted during this training will undoubtedly contribute to improved teaching standards and student outcomes in the schools.





## Teacher Training Program on Lesson Planning



A Teacher Training Program was conducted on 23rd April for core subject teachers, focusing on the crucial topic - Designing an Effective Lesson Plan. The session aimed to enrich the teaching-learning process by equipping educators with practical strategies and tools to enhance classroom engagement and instructional effectiveness.

The session began with an introduction by Mrs. Prajakta Bhide, setting the tone for the day's learning. Dr. Kirti Vaze elaborated on the parameters of an effective lesson plan, offering valuable insights on planning with clarity, relevance, and outcomes in mind. Mrs. Priya Mehta guided the teachers through various classroom teaching strategies that support differentiated learning, while Mrs. Pooja Thakkar introduced practical and innovative classroom teaching tools to enrich the learning experience.

In the latter half of the day, participants actively applied their learnings by designing their own lesson plans, incorporating the key takeaways from the training. The hands-on session allowed teachers to reflect, collaborate, and refine their approach, ensuring a more structured and student-centered learning environment.

The training program served as an enriching platform for professional growth, reinforcing the importance of thoughtful planning in delivering impactful education.







The Annual Report for the year 2024–2025 of the Executive Parent-Teacher Association (EPTA) and Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) was recently shared with all parents. The report highlights the key initiatives, collaborative efforts, and developments undertaken throughout the academic year in partnership with the parent community.





## Fostering a Love for Reading: Two-Day Workshop at PGKM School



On the occasion of School Library Month, a two-day workshop aimed at enhancing the reading skills of children of support staff was successfully conducted on the 24th and 25th of April. The workshop focused on fostering a love for reading through engaging and creative activities.

The workshop featured a vibrant mix of activities including storytelling sessions, fun reading games, and read-aloud exercises. To make the experience more interactive and enjoyable, children also took part in craft activities such as making bookmarks and pen stands. The workshop not only aimed at improving reading abilities but also encouraged creativity, self-expression, and confidence among the children. The friendly and supportive environment helped the young participants feel comfortable and engaged throughout.

The initiative was highly appreciated by the attendees and their families. The feedback reflected gratitude for the effort put into organizing a meaningful and enjoyable experience that combined learning with fun.





### Grade 1 Field Trip : Chitale Bandhu Mithaiwale Factory & Rajeshwara Temple

On March 22nd and 29th, 2025, Grade 1 students embarked on an enriching field trip to the Chitale Bandhu Mithaiwale Factory and Rajeshwara Temple. This experience combined cultural exploration with an exciting insight into food production. At Rajeshwara Temple, students learned about local traditions and historical significance, fostering an appreciation for heritage and religious practices.

A major highlight was the Bhakarwadi factory visit, where children observed the entire snack-making process -from mixing ingredients to rolling, shaping, and frying. Tasting freshly made Bhakarwadi delighted them and sparked curiosity, leading to engaging questions about ingredients, mixing, and preparation techniques.

This interactive trip provided a memorable learning experience, connecting classroom knowledge with real-world applications.



### Grade 2 Students Explore Parvati Hill and the Fire Museum

On 8th and 15th March, the Grade 2 students embarked on an exciting field trip to Parvati Hill and the Fire Museum in Pune. The trip was a perfect blend of adventure, learning, and fun.

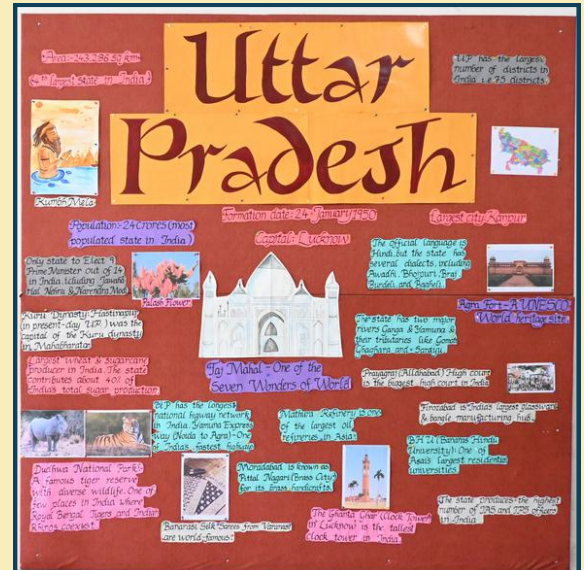
The journey began early in the morning with a visit to Parvati Hill. The students climbed the steps to reach the top, where they were greeted by the stunning Parvati Temple. From the hilltop, they enjoyed a panoramic view of Pune and learned about the historical importance of the location. The teachers shared fascinating details about the temple and its connection to the Peshwa era, offering a rich historical experience.

After exploring the hill, the students headed to the Fire Museum. They were fascinated by the different types of fire trucks, firefighting equipment, and uniforms used by firefighters. The museum staff conducted an engaging and informative session on fire safety, highlighting the crucial role of firefighters in saving lives. The students even witnessed a live demonstration of how firefighters respond to emergencies.





## Exploring the Essence of Uttar Pradesh



In a vibrant tribute to the rich heritage of Uttar Pradesh, our school recently hosted a thematic celebration that turned the campus into a window into the heart of India. The event aimed to help students learn about the state's culture, history, and traditions through immersive, creative experiences.

The corridors and classrooms came alive with colorful charts and handmade displays created by students and teachers. From the majestic Taj Mahal to the ghats of Varanasi, from Awadhi cuisine to Chikankari embroidery - each wall told a unique story. The exhibits showcased the geography, historical milestones, traditional attire, and architectural marvels of Uttar Pradesh, offering a truly educational visual treat.

To deepen the experience, students got a taste of authentic cuisine from the state. The aroma of traditional dishes like poori-sabzi, jalebi, and aloo-tikki wafted through the air as children relished the flavors with enthusiasm. It wasn't just a meal—it was a journey of taste, connecting the students to the cultural roots of the region.

This thematic celebration not only sparked curiosity and admiration for India's diversity but also strengthened the children's understanding of how each state contributes to our nation's identity. The smiles, the excitement, and the learning that unfolded during the day were heartwarming reminders of the power of experiential education.





## A Sweet Send-Off: Ice Cream Party on the Last Day of School!

The school year ended on a delightful note as students celebrated their last day with a cheerful ice cream party! Laughter echoed across the campus as children indulged in their favorite frozen treats, enjoying every bite with bright smiles and sticky fingers.

The joy was evident on their faces as they gathered with friends, sharing stories, giggles, and scoops of colorful ice cream. It was a perfect way to wrap up months of learning, bonding, and growing together.

The photo gallery captures these precious moments - children beaming with happiness, cups in hand, making memories to last a lifetime.

A simple yet heartwarming celebration that reminded everyone: it's the little joys that leave the biggest impressions.

### "Scoops of Joy: A Sweet Goodbye to the School Year"

