

**Kothari International School
Grades K-3 Session 2018-19**

July

DATE	EVENT	GRADE	FEEDBACK	PHOTOGRAPH
05/07/18	English Handwriting Activity	2	<p>Handwriting is a part of our identity and an essential tool for communication. It also fosters creativity, enhances critical thinking skills, builds self-confidence, creates better readers and prepares children for success.</p> <p>In order to develop fine motor skills, confidence and most importantly their own style of writing, the School conducted 'English Handwriting Competition' for Grade 2 students on 5th June, 2018. The handwriting was judged on the basis of specific criteria: letter formation, spacing and neatness. An overwhelming majority of students put in all their might to perfect their writing and be on the winners list. The closely contested competition presented a challenging task for the teachers to adjudge the winners. Three students from each section, were selected under the following categories: Outstanding, Excellent and Very Good.</p> <p>The competition brought out the talent and creativity of the students.</p>	 

06/07/2018	English Handwriting Activity	3	<p>"Good handwriting is a necessary part of education." – Mahatma Gandhi</p> <p>Hand-writing activates the brain more than typing on keyboard because it involves more complex motor and cognitive skills. Writing with hands contributes to reading fluency because it activates visual perception of letters. It also fosters creativity, enhances critical thinking skills, builds self-confidence, creates better readers and prepares children for success.</p> <p>Keeping in mind its umpteen benefits, an 'English Handwriting Competition' was organized for the students of Grade 3 on Friday, 6th July 2018.</p> <p>Five students from each section were selected under the following categories: Outstanding, Excellent and Very Good. It is always a better way to drive students to do better through such healthy and motivating competitions.</p>	
10/07/2018	Kathashala	K1	<p>Stories from different cultures and countries have been part of our lives since childhood either told by our grandparents or read through books. Story telling always encourages the imagination of the children, and what better way to stimulate their comprehensive skills other than the art of storytelling – Kathashala.</p> <p>On July 10th, 2018 teachers of Kothari International School organized Kathashala – The story of 'Why Parrot Can't Keep a Secret' for the kindergarten students. Teachers enacted the story on the stage with masks of various characters of the story. The story had all the elements - the roar of the Lion, dance of the naughty monkeys, the smartness of the clever hyena and the courage of the parrot.</p> <p>The hall was filled with children's laughter and applause when the clever hyena wore the lion's mane as it looked very funny on him. The story showed the students that always stand by the truth and voice your opinion whenever you see something wrong.</p>	

11/07/20 18	Trip to the Zoo	K1	<p>With the waning days of summer upon us, KIS organised a trip for K1 children on July 11th, 2018 to the National Zoological Park, Delhi. It turned out to be a perfect day and an amazing, surprising experience for all the kids.</p> <p>The first site was of caged animals like leopards, tigers, cheetah, bears and lions. Most of them were walking in their cages. Next the children saw was rhinoceros, elephant, giraffes, crocodile etc. There was a separate section for the colourful exotic birds. They were kept in large enclosed houses with lots of space for flying. Pointing and shrieks of excitement were heard from all corners. The day was a wild success and full of learning for all. The happy little ones also gleefully recapitulated all the learning they had gathered from their classrooms session on animals.</p>	
13/07/20 18	Trip to an Aquarium	K2	<p>At Kothari International School we believe that trips and excursions are a perfect way to expand horizons for the children. To help them explore more about aquatic animals, a trip to aquarium was organized for Grade K2 students on July 13th, 2018. There was excitement amongst the students to visit the aquarium. The sight of fishes in the aquarium made children ecstatic. The students learnt about the behaviour of the fishes and observed their graceful movements in the glass cases.</p> <p>They were able to correlate with the topic they learnt in the classroom. The children enjoyed the mini train ride starting from Khelgaon - Miniature Railway Station, chugging through a tunnel, over a bridge. The happy faces of the children spoke of the success of their visit. It was wonderful educational trip filled with fun, discovery, energy, information and most important knowledge.</p>	

13/07/2018	Story Telling Activity	G2	<p>As long as there have been people, there have been stories. Stories are all around us. Stories are influential and they are perpetual – many stories have lasted for thousands of years and are still being told. From the stories told in cave paintings to the complex cinematography that flourishes today, stories have without fail pervaded every medium of communication in existence. Once they were told and spread mouth to mouth, today we read and archive them!</p> <p>At KIS, Grade 2 organised a Storytelling Activity on Thursday, 13th July 2018. The students narrated the story they had prepared during the summer break and eagerly presented their energetic performances to the class. The activity not only shaped their speaking, learning and organizational skills but also enhanced their confidence. Watching them enact various characters was a retreat into the world of nostalgia and reminiscence...</p>	
16/7/18 & 17/7/18	Student Enrichment Session	G2 & 3	<p>Gratitude is one of many positive emotions. It's about focusing on what's good in our lives and being thankful to God for the things we have. Gratitude is pausing to notice and appreciate the things that we often take for granted, like having a place to live, food, clean water, friends, family.</p> <p>To foster this quality in our students, a workshop on "Being Grateful" was organized by Ms. Nidhi Mehra and Ms. Megha from KIS's Counselling Department for Grade 2 &3 students in the AV Hall. The students were kept engaged throughout the session with a series of questions and life changing videos of real life heroes. The students were made to value and love themselves the way they are and people around them. It was surely an excellent workshop which taught them the value of being Grateful in each and every way!!!</p>	

18/07/2018	Monsoon Masti	K2	<p>Shrugging off the hot and furious summer sun, KIS hopped over and found a stupendous way to relish this ingredient of the weather too, as the children of Grade K2 enjoyed a rumbling Monsoon Masti Bonanza on July 18th 2018.</p> <p>The ground was joyfully resplendent with bouncy beach balls, splash pools, colourful umbrellas and water sprinklers. In addition, the groovy music added excitement to the event. To some extent, it felt as if the sprinklers were showering giggles and jiggles in lieu of water.</p> <p>Children in a jovial mood, seemed to have a deep and abiding friendship with water. Not only the kiddos, but the teachers refreshed the magnificent memories of their childhood. Subsequent to the rain dance, the little ones of Kothari International School enjoyed eating mouthwatering pakoras, French fries, cookies and chips. Back in the classes, children learned new vocabulary and did extended activities to help them associate better with the rains and the items used in the season.</p>	
20/07/2018	Student Led Conference – Shape Up My City	G1	<p>We all use shapes as a way of organizing and identifying visual information. The ability to accurately identify shapes is a foundational skill, and it is quite rewarding for children because their world is full of shapes. Knowledge is gained by learning and skill is mastered with practice.</p> <p>It has been very rightly said that “Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn.” The students of Grade 1 appropriately implemented the above stated lines by culminating their learning into a well presented activity – ‘SHAPE MY CITY’ on July 20th, 2018 in their respective classrooms. Models were created using various two dimensional objects which they learnt during the implementation of the theme – ‘Shapes’. Children added a wonderful dimension by using their oratory skills and spoke with full flair and confidence. The activity enthralled our parents.</p>	

24/07/2018 & 25/07/2018	Trip to Kiran Nadar Museum	G2&3	<p>A stroke of Art combined with dramatics, voice modulation, acting, performing gives it a new vision and wings to their imagination.</p> <p>On July 24th, 2018 Students & Teachers of Kothari International School, visited Kiran Nadar Museum, Noida. The students enjoyed a wonderful ambience of Art museum, they were excited to see painting and sculptures all around, after a round of the museum they enjoyed, A wonderful creative, enthralling story telling session by MS shefali Malhotra, with her impressive skills she made the kids enjoy and drift into their own world of animals, different sounds, movements and playing of djembe Stoll the attention of the students.</p> <p>The students showcased their excitement and creativity in the craft activity after the story telling session, they all created beautiful butterflies by doing (Dot Art) with vibrant colors. They learn making different patterns, and enjoy the collaboration of creative story with craft creativity</p> <p>"Every child is born to create something creative"</p>	 
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25/07/2018	Trip to Gandhi Museum	G1	<p>The little explorers of Grade 1 went on an educative excursion to Gandhi Museum on Wednesday, 25th July 2018. The visit's objective was to showcase the life and principles of Mahatma Gandhi. The visit coincided around the festivities relating to the Independence Day and reinforced the role of Bapu – Father of our Nation in the long road to freedom. In the Audio Visual section, the children were delighted to see 3D representations of various events of Gandhiji's illustrious life like the Salt Satyagrah, Dandi March and the Non- Cooperation movement. Gandhiji's walking stick, his spectacles and spinning wheel were particular crowd favourites. The students were mesmerized by the scenic beauty and the cleanliness of the Ashram. The excursion proved to be an enjoyable and enlightening experience for the students.</p>	
27/07/2018	Show & Tell Competition (Intra Class)	K2	<p>Public speaking is a very important skill for a socially responsible human being, but not everyone possesses the confidence of speaking in front of a large group of people. Kids however tend to be a little more fearless and open to new experiences than adults. Thus, Show and Tell is a key part of the school curriculum and an important part of child learnings development as it helps them to collect information about different objects. To improve communication and descriptive skills of children a Show and Tell competition was organized for K2 students of Kothari International School on July 27th, 2018.</p> <p>Children were asked to speak extempore on any given objects like a story book, mobile phone, debit card, remote, photo frame, laptop etc. The competition was judged by Ms. Arpita and Ms. Monika who judged the students on the parameters of communication skills, confidence, creativity, spontaneity. The competition was conducted with a view to develop the cognitive and creative skills of students, spontaneous ability to translate their thought and ideas into words.</p>	