

Activity and Events

“Art connects what words cannot”. The famous painter Pablo Picasso said, “Every child is an artist”. Keeping this in mind and to explore the creative potentials in the young minds of our children, ‘Drawing Competition’ for Grade 1 was organized on Wednesday 1st May 2019 on the theme ‘Shapes Around Us’. It provides visual, tactile and sensory experiences and a special way of understanding materials, tools and techniques. Children become involved in shaping their environment through art and design activities. It also enhances awareness amongst students so that the compatibility with nature becomes their motto in life.

The competition gave a platform to children to explore their creative skills. It helped children to think and work creatively and promoted their artistic excellence. Children participated earnestly in the competition and came up with amazing artwork in drawing. The finished product had mesmerized one and all as the children had let their imagination run wild and created absolute magic. It was indeed a very successful event and this fun filled activity witnessed an enthusiastic participation of all the students.



**GRADE-1
DRAWING COMPETITION**



**GRADE-K2
TRIP TO KIDZANIA**

The best way of learning about anything is by doing. The magic of a field trip is not just the subject, it is a break in routine and adventure that opens up children’s minds to new things. Kothari International School organized a trip to Kidzania for students of K2 on May 3rd, 2019.

Unlike any traditional theme park or entertainment zone, Kidzania provides an environment that empowers kids to explore the wide and amazing world. It is a Global Indoor Entertainment and Learning Center for students that emulates the working of a real city built for kids to explore and learn.

The students were ready to take up any challenge that came their way to earn Kidzos. It provided firsthand experience of different occupations and careers that they could explore. Kidzania had mini set ups for dominos, petrol pump, big bazaar, salons etc. The students indulged in various activities which stimulated their creative thinking and boosted their self-confidence. Through this experience, they also learnt real life values, social skills and team work. The activities were fun filled and will help in preparing the children for a preferred future.

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Schools are the best place to teach children the value of eating healthy food. The theme for this month for K2 children was 'Say No to Junk Food' which emphasized on the role of eating nutritious food and inculcating healthy eating habits. The culminating activity based on the theme was held on May 8th to 10th, 2019 in the K2 Octagon. The students demonstrated their knowledge and understanding of the concept they learnt in the class. They spoke about the benefits of eating healthy food and inculcating a routine of taking a balanced diet in their daily life. The students wined the activity by inviting their parents to 'Yum Yum' restaurant and offered them healthy food options to eat like fruit salad, corn salad and vegetable sandwich. They also showcased table etiquettes that they learnt during breakfast time in school. It was overwhelming to witness the active participation by the parents too



**GRADE-K2
SLC (HEALTHY FOOD PARTY)**



**GRADE-2
SLC (SHAPE UP MY CITY)**

Tell me and I forget, Teach me I will remember, Involve me and I learn.
 "Benjamin Franklin"

The students of Grade 2 truly implemented the above stated lines by concluding their learning into a well presented activity –'SHAPE UP MY CITY' on 10th May 2019, in their respected classrooms. The promising architects designed and the little builders shaped model of the School, Railway Station, Shopping Complex and Residential areas using different 2D and 3D shapes, which they had assimilated during the implementation of the theme –'Shapes'. They added a beautiful feature to the task by articulately describing each neighborhood place that they had formed. This activity enchanted the parents and left them mesmerized as each and every model displayed, was perfectly described and beautifully executed.

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Delicious, Scrumptious and mouth-watering are the words we associate with any food party. The K1 students of Kothari International School added an extra zing to the party by putting up their first performance for their parents between 8th–10th May, 2019. The event was part of the rolling off activity of the theme- Mobile, where the students at the end of the theme shared their learning with their parents.

The students gave an amazing dance performance on medley of Mobile ringtones, related rhymes and an energiser on the action song Tofa Tafa. Parents applauded their little one’s ability to present the show with such zeal and zest.

The show was followed by a party in which students along with their parents enjoyed yumilicious snacks like sandwiches, muffins and juices. The table manners and etiquettes learnt by the students during their breakfast time was much appreciated by the parents. It was a successful show as it was enjoyed by the parents and the students to the fullest.



**GRADE-K1
SLC (MOBILE DANCE AND FINGER FOOD PARTY)**



**GRADE-3
SLC (GO GREEN BIRTHDAY PARTY)**

Benjamin Franklin gave us the vision that the children learn the best when they see and practically experience something. An initiative for the same was organized for the Grade 3 students on 10th May 2019 where they wanted a ‘Green Birthday Party’, a party with a difference. They took ownership of their learning experience and led parents through a discussion in which parents became active listeners. The students were divided into teams and each student showcased their learning about importance of plants, healthy eating habits and taking care of our planet Earth by keeping it clean and green. Students planned a healthy menu, presented healthy dishes and spoke about the nutritional value of each dish. They also emphasized on the need of the hour, to REDUCE, REUSE and RECYCLE, thus playing an important role of being responsible citizens. The ‘Go Green Birthday Party’ as a theme aided students to create a ‘culture of conservation’. Parents were awestruck with students’ confidence, planning and presentation.

Workshops

A workshop for the teachers of Grade K1-5 was held at Kothari International School on May 13th, 2019 on Ethics and Integrity in a professional environment. Ms. Manju Gupta, Principal of the school conducted the workshop.

Ethics can be simply defined as, “a set of questions that help us distinguish between what is right and wrong. Based on this distinction, we determine the best course of action in a given situation.” Ms. Gupta trained the teachers through various role-plays, anecdotes and audio-visual materials.

Overall, it was an enriching experience and all the teachers looked satisfied and excited to share their knowledge with their colleagues in the school. The workshop was successful in motivating each teacher to be ethical and be honest and sincere towards their profession.



GRADE-K1-5 ETHICS AND INTEGRITY



GRADE-K1-3 CREATIVE WRITING SKILL

A workshop on developing creative writing skill was organised for the teachers of Kothari International School on May 14th, 2019. The resource person of the day was Ms. Kiran Mishra, a renowned educationist, who discussed various strategies to be used for improving the writing skills of the children.

Writing is meant to affect and influence the minds and emotions of others and creative writing is one of the most powerful ways to express feelings, thoughts and ideas. Ms. Kiran Mishra, in her power point presentation highlighted the necessity of using idioms in our day to day lives. She stressed upon teaching idioms in a fun-filled manner rather than taking them as a separate topic. She spoke about several ways of teaching idioms and also discussed various activities and exercises which could be incorporated into classroom teaching in a light-hearted manner.

A number of activities were carried out like making cheat sheets, role play, composition of poetry and a song with idioms which saw an enthusiastic participation by the teachers. The teachers were encouraged to use stories, visuals and dialogues as a medium to teach idioms to their students. It was a very useful and productive workshop.

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Teachers of Kothari International School visited the Kiran Nadar Museum of Art (KNMA), Noida on May 15th, 2019 for an art workshop on Phad art. The KNMA is a private modern and contemporary Art Museum which aims to develop innovative programs that seek active collaborations from artists as well as the public.

The teachers were also given an opportunity to visit the NEW CONFIGURATION exhibition that displayed for the first time recent acquisitions from the museum's permanent collection. After taking a walk through the intricate modern art exhibition, the teachers were given a cloth, known as phad. The narratives of the folk deities of Rajasthan, mostly of Pabuji and Devnarayan are depicted on the phads.

It was a fun filled activity as the teachers tried their hands on this traditional form of art. They used varied colours to make their phads look attractive and beautiful.



**GRADE-K1-5
PHAD ART**



**GRADE-K1-3
ALPHA MATH**

Alpha Math develops mathematical thinking and problem-solving skills. It is a world-class programme based on the innovative and effective teaching and learning practices of the nations that are global top-performers in mathematics. Ms. Payal Malhotra an experienced trainee from Scholastic conducted a workshop on Alpha Math for the teachers on May 17th, 2019.

Alpha Math is a child centric programme which helps in developing conceptual mastery through practical learning. It enables the teacher and student to evaluate learning and identify areas of remediation if required.

The workshop was enjoyed by all the teachers as they got to learn various strategies to make the concepts of Math clear in a fun and interesting way.

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An Interactive session on the Inclusive Strategies was conducted in Kothari International School on May 17th, 2019 by the Rainbow Department of our school, Ms. Aksi and Ms. Atiba. The focus of the workshop was the inclusion of children with special needs in the classroom with the other children.

Various strategies for inclusion were shared e.g. teacher should create a welcoming environment. The physical space of the classroom should support an inclusive learning environment, like low sound classrooms.

Students with special needs must be free to learn at their own pace and have accommodations and alternative assessment strategies to meet their unique needs. Peer support is one of the most essential ingredients in an inclusive classroom. It minimizes the problem of teasing/bullying and provides opportunities for cooperative learning. Teachers must appreciate and reinforce students who are willing to help.

Overall it was a great learning experience which gave the teachers hands on experience on inclusive education through various activities and discussions.



**GRADE-K1-3
INTERACTIVE SESSION – RAINBOW
DEPARTMENT**



**GRADE-K1-3
TABLE MANNERS AND ETIQUETTE**

Practicing good table manners and etiquette is a valuable social skill which when taught to children at formative stage will help them for the rest of their lives. To reaffirm this skill a workshop was organised by Kothari International School for the teachers of Grade K1–3 on May 18th, 2019. Ms. Bannya Basu from the Hospitality Department conducted the workshop.

The workshop aimed to create awareness about the essential dining etiquette and table manners for both home and dining out. The teachers learnt the methods to use various types of cutlery, napkins, serving manners etc. The workshop was quite interactive and participatory. The teachers will organize similar sessions for all the students so that the global Indians of tomorrow are socially correct and feel at home in any environment.