

Vasant Valley *TODAY*

TO THE BATCH OF 2019

Walking down these 21 steps today, each one of us is desperately trying to cling onto these fleeting moments that we will remember for the rest of our lives.

These maroon and beige walls have been with us for so long that it is hard to imagine a world outside of them. And with that thought, we take upon ourselves the immense task of trying to sum up 14 long years into just a few minutes.

From skirts and shorts to altered salwars and tailored pants, we've progressed through these corridors year after year, yet so quickly that the thought of parting with them seems unimaginable. Somewhere between faking naps in Class 1 to taking naps in Class 12, the Batch of 2019 grew up (allegedly). We came to school on our first day crying, not wanting to leave home. Over these 14 years, we have found a new home, and once again we're leaving with tears in our eyes.

While we might not be in our half-filled classrooms, constantly stealing glances at clocks that tick too slow, we stand here before you today wishing they would now take a pause.

This batch is nothing short of a three-ring circus. From partying with the pandas to secret runaway flights to Bombay, we have forever been the jewels of Ms. Krishnan's eyes.

SCHOOL WATCH

Creative Writing Activity, Class 5

1st- Inika Gour Tirath and Amyra Pasricha
2nd- Kabir Gupta and Janya Kathuria
3rd- Arman Rai Sood, Vijay Karan Mehta, Kaavya Mukherjee Saha and Amaya Puri Bharadwaj

Inter House Mathematics Quiz, Class 9

Winners- Blue House (Anshuman Singh, Ansh Mehta, Kavyini Garodia and Katyayani Jha)

Website Designing Competition in Science, Class 9

1st- Arshya Gaur
2nd- Myra Kapur

Excellence Awards 2018

Class 10

Armaan Gandhi, Jai Kapoor, Prakriti Mahajan, Prithvi Ranjeet Oak, Rishnav Thadani, Siddhant Gandhi, Vedika Bagla

Class 12

Veeraj Jindal, Aditya Venkataraman, Ayaan Sagar, Aditi Singh, Aryan Sadh, Ananya Nair, Dhruv Kumar, Rabiya Gupta, Advait Sinha

The Krishna Scholarship for overall excellence for 2018 has been awarded to Vedika Bagla of Class 10

We might not be the brightest bunch but we sure have some creative ways to get out of class, be it by arguing with sister, hiding in the jhoolabari tunnels, or 'subtly' changing the class clock's time. As we near the end of our hectic journey we can't help but remember the moments which certainly were not our finest. The fierce brawls experienced in the icy glaciers of the Yamunotri, and shady brown paper bags of half-eaten Subway sandwiches on National Highways, have forever etched their marks in our memories.



So here's to the batch that never went to Chandni Chowk, the batch that kept the barbers and tutors of Delhi in business, the batch of misfits that never fails to support each other.

Our batch does not just comprise of the people standing before you today but rather it includes the multitude of teachers who had the pleasure, or lack thereof, of interacting with these "lumpen elements of society." Our character was shaped not just by the nurturing of our teachers, but also by the unwavering support and omnipresence of the didis, bhaiyas, and the school administration staff who have never failed to lend a helping hand.

School insists on calling us the Vasant Valley family, and we didn't quite understand that for a long time. But now that we have come to the end of this long journey, we have learned to love each other for the goodness within us and accept that at the end of the day, this is our batch. Different, often segregated but our batch nonetheless. And if that's not a family, then what is? So thank you Vasant Valley for teaching us to love one another, not despite our differences, but for them.

Aditi Singh, 12

THE EVOLUTION OF TERRORISM

Terrorism is the unlawful use of violence and intimidation, especially against civilians, often to achieve political, religious, or ideological objectives. In this article, I will cover the evolution of terrorism.

It is unclear when terrorism actually originated. The Sicarii Zealots were first-century Jewish assassins who organised crime in Rome. Groups like the Fenian Brotherhood and Narodnaya Volya can be traced to many other eras. During the British rule in India, the British classified rebels like Bhagat Singh and Rajguru as terrorists. It is easy enough to pinpoint various acts of terrorism, and when they occurred. However, due to the subjective nature of the term, and the lack of factual evidence from earlier centuries, it is impossible to determine the true origin of terrorism.



One of the dimensions on which change is observed is in the type of weapons terrorists have used. In the first centuries, the attacks were committed using rocks which were sharpened at home. Many years later, the invention of guns made them the most commonly used weapons. Recently, large-scale impact weapons such as bio-weapons, drones and vehicle-based attacks have also been used.

It was not till the 1700s that we started recording acts of terrorism. In the 1800s, we saw very little insight into the roots of terrorism that we see today. During the 1990s these insights grew and we were faced with the roots of the modern day terrorism.

In the early 1980s, terrorism on a global scale was unheard of. However, in 1998 two al-Qaeda trucks full of explosives drove towards the United States embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, leading to the death of over 200 people. Subsequently, there were the notorious 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center in 2001. Ever since these attacks, we have known al-Qaeda to organize crime all around the world, despite having their base in Afghanistan. This is proof of the evolution of terrorism, which is now present on a global scale.

Cyber terrorism is its latest manifestation. It is the politically motivated use of computers and information technology to cause severe disruption or widespread fear. In the widely connected, technologically advanced world of today, cyber terrorism poses a major threat with almost all sensitive information being stored online.

Despite this evolution, the causes of terrorism are the same- it is still geopolitical, social, racial or religious. Earlier it was characterised by brute force attacks, but now we face attacks which are more impactful, sophisticated and technologically driven. However, even with terrorism constantly evolving, law enforcement and justice do not back down. As we have seen numerous times in the past, perhaps most memorable being the killing of Osama bin Laden, good-natured morals and values have, and always will, prevail.



(Sources: http://www.ugb.ro/Juridica/Issue10ROEN/10._Evolutia_terorismului.Roxana_Simus.Acad.Politie.EN.pdf, <https://littlefield.co/cyber-terrorism-understanding-and-preventing-acts-of-terror-within-our-cyber-space-26ae6d-53cfbb>)

Jai Relan, 8

What The Judges Ruled

Over the past year, the Supreme Court of India has faced tumultuous times, including internal dissent against the Chief Justice. Yet, amid this, there have been landmark judgements upholding constitutional, fundamental and individual rights of the citizens.

A series of progressive verdicts in the last few months have reaffirmed the purpose of the judiciary; it has upheld the responsibility of balancing the law with the greater good, and ensured every judgement speaks for fairness.



The various judgements by the apex court have particularly helped empower certain sections of society such as women and the LGBTQ community.

Earlier this year, a five-judge SC bench gave a historic, unanimous ruling on Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code, decriminalising homosexuality. The bench, terming Section 377 as 'irrational, indefensible and manifestly arbitrary', diluted it to exclude all kinds of adult consensual sexual behaviour. This verdict marked the end of an era, disallowing such a law to be used to foster or perpetuate an atmosphere conducive to human rights violations of any kind.

Many judgements have been particularly celebratory for women. In a historic ruling, the Supreme Court struck down the 158-year-old Section 497 of the Indian Penal Code, that criminalised adultery. It called the law unconstitutional because it "treats a husband as the master" and is hence manifestly discriminatory. Apart from this, the court also overruled the Kerala High Court's decision that restricted the entry of women into the Sabarimala Temple on the basis of age. In doing so, it went against the dualism that persists in religion by glorifying women as goddesses on one hand, and imposing rigorous sanctions in matters of devotion on the other.

Not only has the Supreme Court checked the Constitutional validity of certain laws, but it has also protected citizens against the absurdities of the government. A Supreme Court bench upheld the constitutional validity of Aadhaar, striking down Section 57 of the Aadhaar Act, which allowed the sharing of citizen data with private entities. The bench, in its 1,448-page verdict, also asked the government to make Aadhaar more secure by adopting and implementing appropriate technical and organisational security measures.

All in all, the role of the Supreme Court is one of utmost importance in a diverse country such as ours where justice needs to be ensured to each and every citizen. It is the court which administers this justice, ensures fairness and keeps our democracy strong and going.

(Sources: <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/politics-and-nation/sc-delivers-historic-verdict-heres-everything-you-need-to-know-about-section-377/articleshow/65698429.cms?from=mdr>; <https://www.oneindia.com/india/10-major-judgments-by-supreme-court-in-2018-2785300.html>)

Anahita Jain, 11

सबरीमाला मंदिर में हो रहे विरोध

केरला के सबरीमाला मंदिर में सभी उम्र की महिलाओं के प्रवेश पर सुप्रीम कोर्ट के ऐतिहासिक फैसले ने राज्य के लोगों को दो हिस्सों में बांट दिया है। गत माह 28 सितंबर को सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने अपने ऐतिहासिक फैसले में सबरीमाला मंदिर में सभी उम्र की महिलाओं के प्रवेश की अनुमति दे दी। सुप्रीम कोर्ट के इस आदेश के बावजूद मंदिर में महिलाओं का प्रवेश हो पाएगा कि नहीं, अभी इस पर संशय बरकरार है। सुप्रीम कोर्ट के इस फैसले का एक समूह स्वागत कर रहा है जबकि दूसरा समूह मंदिर में महिलाओं के प्रवेश की अनुमति देने के फैसले का विरोध कर रहा है। मंदिर में प्रवेश करने की अनुमति पर महिलाओं में खुशी की लहर है, वहीं भगवान अयप्पा के भक्त सुप्रीम कोर्ट के इस फैसले का विरोध कर रहे हैं।

सुप्रीम कोर्ट के आदेश के तहत सबरीमाला मंदिर के दरवाजे बुधवार को पहली बार सभी उम्र की महिलाओं के लिए खुले। इस ऐतिहासिक दिन का साक्षी बनने के लिए बड़ी संख्या में श्रद्धालु पम्पा पहुंचे थे। प्रदर्शनकारियों ने चेतावनी दी कि वे महिलाओं को मंदिर परिसर में प्रवेश की अनुमति नहीं देंगे और जरूरत पड़ी तो वे सभी प्रवेश द्वार पर जमीन पर लेट जाएंगे पर पुलिस ने मासिक धर्म की उम्र की महिलाओं की प्रवेश का विरोध करने वाले भक्तों को बल की मदद से रोका।

अनाहिता कुकरेजा, 9

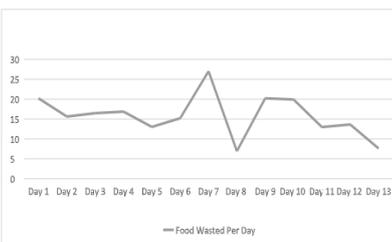


WASTED

Vasant Valley's Food Waste Story

With the world's population rapidly growing, food scarcity is becoming a huge problem. Developing countries and countries with high populations have high risks of food shortage. This makes India particularly prone to food scarcity, and as educated citizens of the country, it is our responsibility to ensure that the resources available to us are managed responsibly.

With this in mind, the Environment Council has created a program dedicated to decreasing the amount of food wastage in our school. The program is spearheaded by students of class 7 and 8, and with the help of volunteers from different classes, discarded food is weighed every day after lunch in order to estimate how much food is wasted at lunchtime. The students involved with this program have been conducting speeches in various classes of the school in order to increase awareness and sensitize other students to the issue of food wastage. The amount of food wasted in senior school during a twelve working-day period in August was a shocking 414 kilograms. Though this data is disheartening, the programme seems to be slowly taking effect.



Recently, the team of students collecting data has noticed that this waste has been gradually reducing. The graph below indicates the trend for an arbitrary period of thirteen consecutive days, after the team's plan was put into action,

and shows a clear change for the positive. This is a step closer to the goal of having minimal wastage by the end of the year. A zero waste system can only be actualized by the collective efforts and co-operation of the entire school community, and we hope to achieve this in the near future.

Jaisal Sood, 8

Microfiction Mornings:

The tiniest and most entertaining way to read new literature

Music transformed her bleak, colourless life into a world of joy and happiness. (Music)

Amara, 6

Music is everywhere. In the chirping of birds in the morning, in the sound of leaves rustling in the wind. All you have to do is listen. (Music)

Kaasvee Kaur, 6

With just a sheet of paper and a pen, my creativity flowed like a river with no end. (Creative)

Shreyasi Jindal, 7

As ink flows on paper, and the brush strikes the fabric of the canvas, she is given the chance to make anything. Creativity is born. (Creative)

Sara Jayakumar, 7

Bright, bold and beautiful lights illuminate the stage, unflustered by the darkness of the night. Trapped in a captivating air, at the performers the audience cannot help but stare. (Celebration)

Shyla Upadhyay, 8

Children, men, and women alike, momentarily forgetting their problems, join together and have a wonderful time. The celebrations have begun. (Celebration)

Maryam, 8

The polluted air burned his throat, and the crackers hurt his ears. He lay cowering under the bed, while the humans were festive. (Festive)

Aarush Shah, 9

Smoke, flashes of light, sounds like thunder. Bright, burning diyas highlighted the colourful rangolis, paving the way for the start of the festival. (Festive)

Aamer Singh, 9

"Is it necessary to follow tradition?" She wondered as she finally got married to the woman of her dreams. (Tradition)

Tia Goculdas, 10

Her story, worthless when compared to his success. Her scars, flowing like blood, unnoticed. His treacherous ink, seen by the world. Tradition gave him a pedestal, and her, a grave. (Tradition)

Simran Kumar, 10

The leads were drowned out by the harmonies, their piercing octaves like a spell, leaving her in a trance. She tried to single them out, but couldn't overcome the beautiful melodies. (Harmony)

Smittee Oberoi, 11

Though the notes stand apart, they quiver with the same frequency, elevating the music to another level. Irrespective of their differences, they unite to form a beautiful harmony. (Harmony)

Jonathan John, 11

चाँद की सैर

आओ करें हम चाँद की सैर
धरती पर नहीं टिकते पैर।
☆ बचपन से सुनते आए चंदामामा दूर के,
आज पहुँचकर हम देखेंगे उनको घूर-घूर के।
चंदामामा लगता है बहुत प्यारा,
चलो देखकर हम आए वहाँ का नज़ारा।
पहने हम हैलमेट और स्पेस सूट,
मत भूल जाना बूट।
चलो बैठें हम रॉकेट में,
उड़ चले हम अंतरिक्ष में।
चाँद का ये सफ़र होगा बड़ा सुहाना,
चाँद पर जाऊँ एक दिन, यह सपना था मेरा।
साईशा मिश्रा, 6



Migration

Migration is what almost everybody does
Whether it is to earn money or for any problem that comes
Migration can happen in any form you see
Anyone can migrate whether it is you or me
Animals migrate for breeding, food and water
In herds they move with their son or daughter
Some migrate for generation, while some migrate for days
But every animal has their own ways
Seeds migrate from place to place
They migrate by wind, water or just by sticking to someone's lace
So their tree can have a better life
And also make our lives bright
Whatever the reasons might have been
Everyone migrates for survival
So they can have a better life
And make the world move forward. *Ritika V- A*

People migrate from place to place
But some don't even show their face
There are many reasons for migration to occur
Some villagers migrate even though they have fear
Most people migrate by boat
Some might sink some might float
If a family member moves it is sad
And if you move with them it's not bad
Not only humans but animals also migrate
But migrating for animals is not so great
Wildebeast migrates to look for food
Red crab migrates to change their mood
These days there aren't so many migrations
As there used to be in the earlier times
If you ask your grandparents they must have migrated
But if you ask your parents they would probably say no.
Avni Puri V- C

An Ode to Gandhiji

Oh Gandhi ji! Oh Gandhi ji!
You walked miles for our salt,
Fought for our freedom without any halt.
The Khadi you spun made the Britishers run,
Gifting Indians their "Swadesh" with a new morning sun.
Oh Gandhi ji! Oh Gandhi ji!
A white dhoti was all that you wore,
and taught us how to love people more.
Some call you Mahatma,
Some call you Bapu
Oh Gandhi ji! Oh Gandhi ji!
You said "together we stay"
and fight the bad away.
You are the father of our nation,
who made a big sensation.
Anahat Dharmi 4 - B



'Group Activity on Gandhiji' Nursery

'Swayamwar' A Balad (Ramayana)

Vishwamitra took Ram to Mithila,
Where he won the swayamwar of Sita.

The city was bustling with people,
Beautiful decorated chariots rolled in,
The swayamwar happened after the yagna
Even the holy men came to see it.

Princes came from all over the land,
Each one thinking he was the best,
But they were all quite nervous
About how would they pass the test.

Rama and Lakshmana entered with Vishwamitra,
Soon Shiva's bow was wheeled in,
Whoever strings the bow would wed Sita,
With a pride in his voice said the King.

One by one, the noble men tried to lift it,
They flexed their muscles but could not move the bow,
Rama walked towards it with quiet dignity,
On Sita's face there was a glow.

Rama picked it up as if it was a feather,
A thunder clap fell as it broke into two,
Everyone was speechless in wonder,
The gods applauded, heavenly singers sang too.

Janaka was happy that the prince of Ayodhya,
Had won beautiful Sita's hand,
Her heart too leapt with joy,
And their wedding celebration was very grand.

Written by 4-A



Zara Dhar
Nursery B

ताजमहल यात्रा

ताजमहल बादशाह शाहजहाँ ने अपनी बेगम मुमताज महल की याद में १६५३ में आगरा में बनवाया था। यह इमारत बहुत सुंदर व सटीक है। मुझे यह कुछ ही दिन पहले पता चला जब मैं आगरा यात्रा के लिए गई। आगरा यात्रा में हमने सबसे पहले एतमाद - उद - दौला देखा जिसे मिनी ताजमहल भी कहा जाता है। जब हम होटल पहुँचे तो हमने खाना खाया। उसके बाद हम आगरा किला देखने गए। मेहताब बाग भी घूमने गए। वहाँ हमने काले ताज के खंडहर देखे। उसके बाद हम होटल गए और खाना खाया। दूसरे दिन हम सुबह उठे और तैयार होकर ताजमहल देखने गए। जब मैंने ताजमहल देखा तो मेरी आँखें खुली की खुली रह गई। ताजमहल बहुत सुंदर है। इस बार ताजमहल बहुत साफ और सुंदर दिखाई दिया और यमुना नदी भी बहुत साफ नज़र आई और उसमें पानी भी बहुत था। हमारी यह ताज यात्रा बहुत अच्छी थी। मुझे बहुत मजा आया।
परी डरमोरा चार - अ



आज की दुनिया

साइना नेहवाल ने डेनमार्क ओपन के पहले दौर के कड़े मुकाबले में हांगकांग की चेंयुंग को हराकर दूसरे दौर में स्थान बनाया।

2019 में होने जा रहे कुंभ मेले से पहले योगी सरकार ने बड़ा कदम उठाते हुए इलाहाबाद का 444 वर्ष पुराना नाम बदलकर प्रयागराज करने का फैसला किया।

फोर्ब्स की ग्लोबल 2000 बेस्ट एम्प्लॉयर सूची में शीर्ष 25 ग्लोबल कंपनियों में सिर्फ भारत की एक कंपनी लार्सन एंड टुब्रो को 22वां स्थान मिला।

क्रीमिया स्थित टेक्निकल कॉलेज में बुधवार 17 अक्टूबर को हुए धमाके में 18 की मौत हो गई। वहीं, 50 से ज्यादा लोग घायल हुए हैं। रूस के अधिकारियों ने आतंकी हमला होने की आशंका जताई।

नॉर्दन आयरलैंड की लेखिका अन्ना बर्न्स (56) को मिल्कमैन उपन्यास के लिए मैन बुकर अवार्ड 2018 से नवाजा गया है। यह पुरस्कार पाने वाली अन्ना नॉर्दन आयरलैंड की पहली लेखिका हैं।

नेपाल के माउंट गुरजा पर 12 अक्टूबर को हिमस्खलन की चपेट में आकर नौ लोगों की मौत हो गई। इनमें दक्षिण कोरिया के पांच पर्वतारोही और चार नेपाली गाइड शामिल थे।

Akbar, who has found himself at the receiving end of 11 accusations. As a result, Women and Child Development Minister, Maneka Gandhi has laid down a zero tolerance policy, setting up a committee to examine each and every #MeToo case in India.

What fuels the entire movement is the belief that victims of sexual abuse are not alone and have nothing to be ashamed of. They have the support of millions and a voice that will be heard at all costs. They should not suffer in silence. Just a simple hashtag holds so much depth and meaning and strives towards challenging the status quo. The campaign has been working towards overcoming the stigma that surrounds the concept of sexual assault and educating both men and women about the concept of sexual misconduct and consent, and where the line is to be drawn.

New methods are coming into light with Crisis and Service Centres for sexual assault survivors and “whisper networks” - private lists of people to avoid. With the progress of the movement, many new measures have been put forth. For example, industry hotlines have been created that have the power to lead to third-party investigations. Several apps have been developed which offer various ways to report sexual misconduct, some of which also have the ability to connect victims who have reported incidents with the same offender. New hashtags like #BeenRapedNeverReported and #YesAllWomen have been put to use to encourage women to speak out against sexual abuse.

With another revolution made by the earth around the sun, the ache for another kind of revolution churns in the fierce and brave hearts of women who bear courage to the brim and will stop at nothing to fight for their rights.

Harnoor Singh, 11

‘मेड इन इंडिया’

आज कल भारत में ‘मेक इन इंडिया’ अभियान चल रहा है जिसके द्वारा भारत में निर्मित विभिन्न वस्तुओं को प्रोत्साहित किया जा रहा है। ‘सुई धागा मेड इन इंडिया’ एक ऐसी फिल्म है जो भारतीय कला और सभ्यता के विषय को सफलतापूर्वक प्रदर्शित करती है।

हम ऐसे समय में रह रहे हैं जब तकनीकीकरण के कारण प्रत्येक वस्तु का ‘मास प्रोडक्शन’ हो रहा है परन्तु इससे पारंपरिक हस्त कला शैलियों को प्रोत्साहन नहीं मिल रहा है।



इस फिल्म में एक गरीब दर्जी अपनी मेहनत और लगन से ऐसे वस्त्रों का निर्माण करता है जो विदेशी और मशीन निर्मित कपड़ों को हरा देते हैं। इससे यह सिद्ध होता है कि असीमित पैसा, तकनीक और साधन से व्यक्ति सफल नहीं होता। अगर इंसान के अंदर लगन हो और इच्छाशक्ति हो तो वह सुई धागा जैसी साधारण चीजों से भारतीय कला को सफलतापूर्वक प्रदर्शित कर सकता है। अगर हम लोग भारतीय हस्तकला, और वस्त्रों का भारत में निर्माण करें तो भारतीय कलाकारों को अपनी कला प्रदर्शित करने का अवसर मिलेगा और हम फिरसे भारत को सोने की चिड़िया बना सकते हैं।

साहिल अरमान कुमार, १२

STANDING TOGETHER



The #MeToo movement has completed a year with more than a gut-wrenching 425 people accused, revealing cases of sexual abuse spanning across industries and institutions, gender and language. The movement commenced more than a decade ago with the hashtag's very first appearance.

African-American civil rights activist Tarana Burke created #MeToo in order to empathize with victims of sexual abuse and help empower them, kick-starting a full-fledged campaign and soon becoming the face of the #MeToo movement.

A revolution in the making, the movement took the world by cusp after hitting the global radar with the initiative of American actress, Alyssa Milano on the 15th of October in 2017. Ten days after sexual abuse allegations were made against Film Producer, Harvey Weinstein, she began to encourage victims of sexual assault to speak out and share the story of their own experiences on Twitter.

Since then, a myriad of tweets has taken Twitter by storm. Women have mustered up the courage to share their stories and speak out against abuse and exploitation by means of sexual assault and misconduct. Allegations of larger numbers were made in places of work. Positions of authority in the workplace are used to take advantage of others. What once protected rich and powerful men from bearing the brunt of their actions has finally begun to unravel, their positions of power and authority no longer being spelled out in the zeroes of their bank account, or the bold lettering on a business card that somehow justified their ill-treatment of women.

The campaign gained momentum in India when actor Tanushree Datta made serious allegations against Nana Patekar because of his inappropriate behavior on the set of ‘Horn Ok Pleasss’. Since then many more famous names have been caught in the storm of the movement, from Vinod Dua to Union Minister MJ

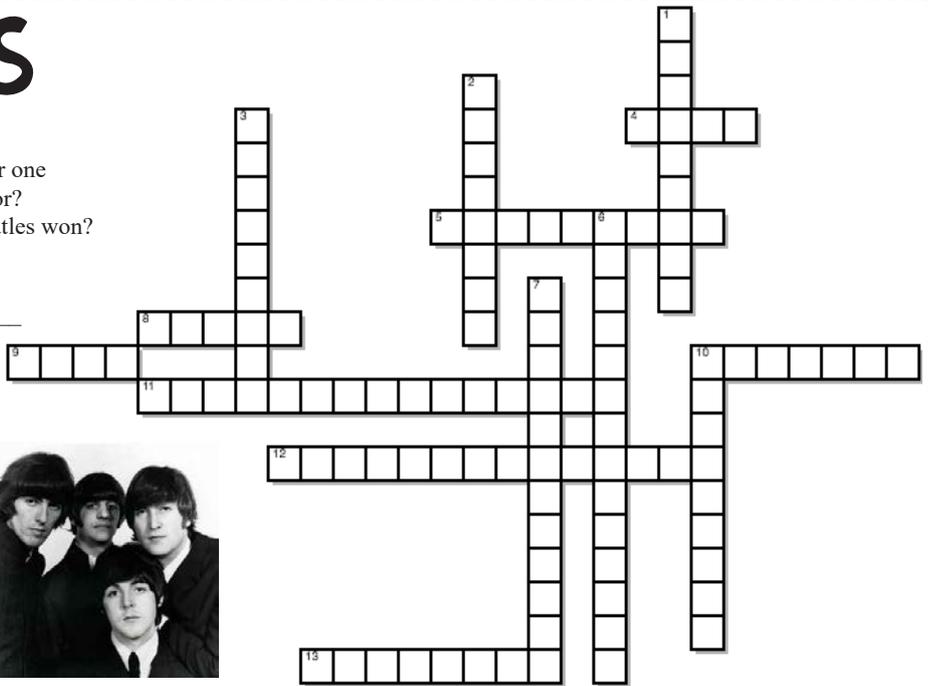
THE BEATLES

Across

- 4. The Beatles' first album to debut at number one
- 5. Whose sister was Dear Prudence written for?
- 8. How many Grammy Awards have The Beatles won?
- 9. When was John Lennon assassinated?
- 10. The last album released by The Beatles
- 11. It's a steady job, but he wants to be a _____
- 12. Title of The Beatles' debut album
- 13. Lucy in the Sky with _____

Down

- 1. The last album recorded by The Beatles
- 2. George _____
- 3. You should see _____ Pam
- 6. Ringo Starr's real name
- 7. BBC banned this song by The Beatles
- 10. The Beatles' homeland



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THE NOBEL COMMITTEE

This year has been a landmark year for the Nobel Committee. But in both positive and negative ways. A sexual assault allegation forced the committee to postpone this year's Literature prize. Jean - Claude Arnault was accused of assaulting 16 women over the course of 20 years. Arnault is the husband of Katarina Frostenson, a committee member and author. The crisis in the committee has adversely affected the Nobel prize. The turmoil led to a lot of withdrawals from the eighteen member committee including that of Frostenson and the head of the committee, Professor Sara Danius.

On the positive side, the Nobel Prize in Physics went to the first woman in 55 years, Donna Strickland, along with the oldest laureate ever, at 96, Arthur Ashkin and French physicist Gerard Monrou won the 2018 Nobel Physics Prize for their method of generating high - intensity, ultra - short optical pulses in the field of Laser Physics. This year's Chemistry Prize was shared by George Smith, Frances Arnold and Greg Winter for the control of evolution and used it for purposes that bring the greatest benefit to mankind. The Medicine Prize was awarded to James P. Allison and Tasuku Honjo for a groundbreaking discovery in Cancer Therapy by the inhibition of negative immune regulation.

This year's Peace Prize was awarded to Nadia Murad from Germany and Denis Mukwege from The Democratic Republic of Congo. They have been leading figures in the movement to end sexual violence as a weapon of war. In 2012, Murad was captured by the ISIS and was beaten, burned and assaulted. She escaped in 2014 and has been fighting to end capturing and enslaving of women. Dr. Denis Mukwege has been treating victims of rape since the Second Congo War. The Economics Prize was given to William Nordhaus and Paul Romer. They worked on climate change, and the endogenous growth theory.

The Literature Prize for 2018 will be announced in 2019 along with next year's prize.

The ceremony will take place on December 10, on the birth anniversary of Alfred Nobel, the Swedish chemist in whose honour the prizes are given every year.

Udhay Aman Chopra, 8

HALLOWEEN WORD SCRAMBLE

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| 2. TMESUOC | 2. _____ |
| 3. AYCDN | 3. _____ |
| 4. RTIKC RO RTETA | 4. _____ |
| 5. OITGOHNLNLM | 5. _____ |
| 6. IBGNLO | 6. _____ |
| 7. LHUOG | 7. _____ |
| 8. CFOFNI | 8. _____ |
| 9. CALKB CTA | 9. _____ |
| 10. RRVYADAEG | 10. _____ |



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ANSWERS: 1. PUMPKIN 2. COSTUME 3. CANDY 4. TRICK OR TREAT 5. MOON-LIGHT 6. GOBLIN 7. GHOUL 8. COFFIN 9. BLACK CAT 10. GRAVEYARD

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