

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Presented to you by the editorial team of grade 7, this edition is dedicated to the laws that changed the world, along with the other happenings that keep the corridors of Deens buzzing with excitement.

- Ms. Hemlata Pande, Principal, Gunjur Campus

Section 1- Theme of The Month- Laws That Changed The World



The Law Game

Rather than starting this article with a quote, let us spice things up a bit by beginning with a question. Do you think a parent should prohibit their child from doing something citing gender or perhaps appearance as a reason?

The probable answer was a no, wasn't it?

Now, let us imagine that the parents are replaced by 'government' and the child is replaced with 'citizens'. However ridiculous it may sound; the above statements are actual realities of how the citizens were treated before certain laws came into place. Citizens were held back from voting just because they had darker skin, were of lower caste or simply because they were female! However, the Civil Rights Act of 1955 changed this and ensured equality and permission to claim fundamental rights. It was passed to demolish evil practices such as untouchability. It aims to provide equal rights to all individuals irrespective of their caste, class, or tribe.

Before the RTI or Right to Information Act came into place in 2005, the people had no access to the information the government possessed. This ignorance caused misinformation and the dividing of communities. This act was passed so that no information is censored from the public and to ensure transparency in government departments. Though these were only two examples, it conveys how important legislations are to us and it is truly laws that change the world for the better.

-Akshara Madhusudhanan, 7B

Laws that Changed the World

The Slavery Abolition Act of 1833 marked a historic milestone in the international struggle to end one of humanity's most abhorrent practices of enslaving fellow human beings. By passing this legislation, the United Kingdom took a leading role in paving the way for the eventual abolition of slavery worldwide.

The Act not only outlawed the purchase or ownership of slaves within the British Empire but also created a system for compensating slaveholders for their loss of property. This was a controversial aspect of the Act, as it essentially compensated slaveholders for their involvement in a morally reprehensible institution. Nonetheless, the Slavery Abolition Act of 1833 set a precedent and inspired the abolitionist movement in other nations. Its impact was far-reaching, as it sparked a shift in public opinion, encouraged the rise of organized abolitionist movements, and ultimately contributed to the end of slavery in most parts of the British Empire." The passing of the Slavery Abolition Act of 1833 was a crucial turning point in the fight against slavery, as it laid the foundation for the eventual eradication of slavery in many parts of the British Empire, and its effects were felt beyond its immediate jurisdiction.

The Act provided inspiration and momentum to the international abolitionist movement, fuelling efforts to end slavery in other nations and influencing public opinion on the issue. The Slavery Abolition Act of 1833 not only had a profound impact on the British Empire but also served as a catalyst for broader global advancements in the fight against slavery. The Slavery Abolition act of 1833 is an example of a law that changed the world. The act changed the lives of millions of people and ensured that they were treated fairly.

- By Hana Chamoli, 7C

Laws that Changed the World

In realms of parchment, ink, and sway,
Laws emerged to guide our way.
A symphony of justice, bold,
They changed the world, their tales unfold.

Magna Carta, a herald's quill,
In 1215, on Runnymede's hill.
Rights declared, a charter's birth,
Freedom echoed across the Earth.

United Nations Charter, nations align,
Peace and progress, a shared design.
In laws that bind us, the world we weave,
A testament to justice, for all to believe.

Civil Rights Act, a transformative might,
In the '60s, challenging the night.
Segregation shattered, equality claimed,
A new era dawned; injustice tamed.

Oh, laws that changed the world's decree,
In legal verses, humanity's glee.
Guiding stars on justice's course,
A poem of laws, a global force.

- Mantika Bhardwaj, 7B

Environment Laws

Environmental laws, a call to preserve,
The Earth we inhabit, a duty to serve.
For generations unborn, a pledge we make,
To mend the damage, to heal and remake.

In cyberspace's realm, where data streams,
Laws emerge to navigate virtual schemes.
A digital age, a legal frontier,
Navigating ethics in a world unclear.

Laws that changed the world, a timeless theme,
In pages written and in dreams unseen.
A testament to our shared human fate,
Guiding our steps, however late.

-Rishita, 8D

Section 2- Interhouse Kho-Kho Matches

"Don't aspire to be the best on the team, aspire to be the best for the team" Kho-Kho, traditional Indian sport, a form of tag, that is one of the oldest forms of outdoor sport, dating back to prehistoric India.

The essence of sportsmanship, stamina and excitement was seen on Tuesday, the 12th of December, The players of the qualified houses were all warmed up, for the four matches, and so were our P.E coaches. The first match was of Junior Boys, with Rubrus and Prasinus against each other. Both the houses, equally strong and eligible for the win. After a tough game, with the score neck to neck, it was won by Rubrus!

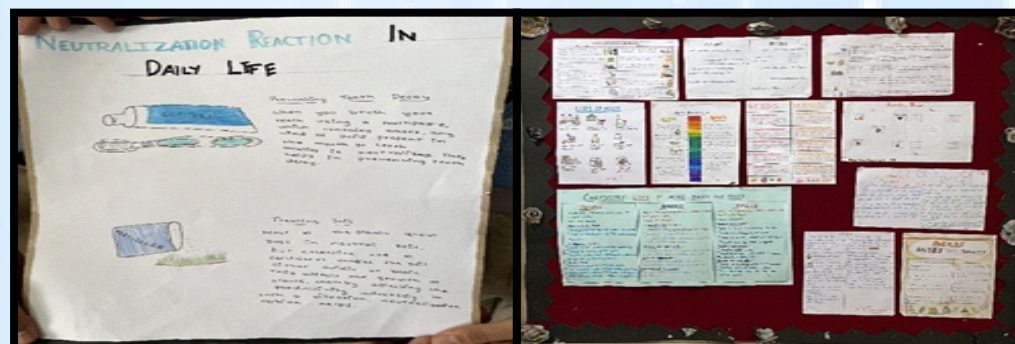
In the second match, that is junior girls, played against Prasinus and Rubrus. The girls, swiftly dodged the Kho. After heavy practice before the match and, and the tense scores, Prasinus won! The junior matches culminated, for the year 2023-24.

Then it was time for the seniors to play, with adrenaline as their fuel, the players entered the field. It was the Junior boys, a match versus Caeruleus and Rubrus. As the game progressed, Caeruleus maintained their momentum, Rubrus fought valiantly, their determination unwavering. In a final, exhilarating burst of speed, Caeruleus executed a series of swift tags, leaving Rubrus with no room to counter. The referee's whistle blew, signalling the end of the match.

Finally, came the Senior girls, a fight between Prasinus and Rubrus. The vibrant field crackled with anticipation, the sun casting a golden hue over the throngs of spectators gathered around. The referee's whistle pierced the air, signalling the start of the game, The girls, fought for their spot on the top. Prasinus creating a whirlwind of green as they tagged players with lightning-fast precision. Rubrus, however, displayed a masterful defence, their players strategically evading tags and swiftly passing the responsibility to their teammates. After all the effort, Rubrus once again lifted the cup, of Senior girl's kho-kho! Congratulations to all the winners, it is wonderful to see the sport of Kh-Kho continuing to be played with enthusiasm and fervour.

- Anwita Prasad, 7A

Grade 7- Chemistry- All about Neutralization



The objective of the activity was to understand the process of neutralization in day-to-day activities. Students came up with scenarios such as bee stings, acidity issues etc where they needed to neutralize the acids produced in these actions with a base. Students made charts to projects their scenarios and presented them in class.

Section 3- Grade 6- Peer Learning Session

The 'Fitness Week' was observed from the 15th of November to 15th December in our school. Sharanyaa and Mrinalini Biswas delivered an engaging fitness lecture for grade 6 students, beginning with a short but intriguing story on fitness's effects.



It was a dynamic session filled with their insights along the way. The duo informed us about the importance of fitness and how we could include exercise in our daily life, along the way. They told us about how we needed to explore for an enjoyable sport, suiting each of us various interests. They gave high emphasis on the daily routine-based exercises that we could perform every day, such as climbing stairs, proving to us that staying fit doesn't require much equipment, informing us of the diseases and banes that come with banishing fitness from our life. They, then, gave us a set of fun facts on how fitness affects our health and thus, our life. The speakers' tone has left a lasting impact on our minds, encouraging us all to embrace a healthy and fit lifestyle with great enthusiasm. The event educated us on fitness, with interactions such as - honest questions on how often we exercised in a day (excluding PE, of course!) and if we were on our mobile phones or other digital screens excluding the time, we required it to study, we were also asked to come forward and demonstrate the daily exercises being called, creating a valuable and fun experience for all participants. Overall, it was an impactful and enjoyable session, promoting well-being and fitness with the strong message – HEALTH IS WEALTH.



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- Anagha Nair, 6A

Christmas at Deens, Gunjur !!!!!

The season of giving and spreading joy and happiness was celebrated with immense enthusiasm – Eco friendly decor, sharing yummy goodies and gifts from the heart- we had it all!



December is a month of reflection- to look back on what we have achieved, what we gained, what we could have done better. It is also a month to show our gratitude to people around us and be grateful for all the blessings we have been bestowed.

Gratitude-we've all heard this term in our lives. But do we truly know how to make use of this beautiful expression or when it is used? We, the students of grade 7 decided to take on this task and understand the meaning of gratefulness.

As we pondered deep into the memories of 2023, we discovered that there were so many people that deserved to be thanked for the help they had provided to us. So, we decided to have a small activity during circle time to know just how many people we had to be thankful to.

We prepared chits holding the names of those people and things whom we are grateful. We called each one to the front of the class and picked up chits and they were asked to speak a few lines on the gratitude they would express to this person or thing in their lives. Though it was intended as a light-hearted activity, we sunk into a discussion about the people who don't have access to necessities like food, water, shelter and education, which are all the things we take for granted.

Post this experiment, we all realized just how much our teachers, parents and everyone around us take the effort to keep us happy and healthy and how much more gratitude needs to exist in the world.

We also took this opportunity to thank our aunties, admin staff and our drivers, who have an important role to play in our school. We presented Christmas cards to our cheerful aunties and shared snacks and sweets with them. Their smiles were the best rewards!

- Akshara Madhusudhanan, 7B

Section 4-WOW Moments

Inclusion of Cultures - Disability Awareness Drive- Grade 7



3rd December is celebrated as IDPD - International Day of Persons with Disabilities -with a strong message that People born with disabilities and are differently abled also deserve a high standard of life filled with respect and dignity. People who are differently abled are also part of a culture; calling them special, segregating them, excluding them - is not inclusion. As part of the extension of circle time, students from grade 7A, under the guidance of their teacher, Ms. Mumtaz Bharwani, visited grade 6 and 7 classrooms during lunch break and spoke about issues such as the definition of disability, types, opportunities for the disabled, quiz on disability laws, etc.

Christmas is a truly magical time of year. It is when everyone comes together and expresses gratitude to those around them. Christmas is not about presents under the tree and snow. It's about the joy of giving and the joy of sharing.

Saint Nicholas was a man with a reputation for generosity and kindness gave rise to legends of miracles he performed for the poor and unhappy. He was truly kind and helped the less fortunate in Europe. This is how Christmas became about Santa Claus and leaving presents under a tree and candy canes in our stockings.

Christmas is when we should thank those we love, those who help us, and those who are important in our lives. We truly never know how long we have left with somebody we love. We shouldn't take them for granted and regret it when they are not in our lives anymore. During Christmas people spend time with their families and friends because the true magic and joy of Christmas is when we spend time with those we care for and help someone out of the kindness in our hearts. Christmas can then truly be magical in so many ways for us and those around us.

-Rishika Ganapathy 7E



Christmas is Here!

Now it's Christmas time,
when the bells begin to chime,
Happiness fills the halls,
When the snow begins to fall.
Decorations hung up,
as beautiful as can be,
and then the time comes,
to light the Christmas tree.

When Santa doesn't visit,
Children may pout,
But you never know what happens
when the light goes out!!

Happiness floods the Earth,
On the day Jesus birth,
Enjoy your holidays,
Have some fun

Merry Christmas Everyone!!!
- Aditri Hulyalkar , 2E

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Hands and Minds that Worked Together



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