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# primebYtes

Buzzing from primary

October - a month full of celebrations and festivities. Festivals are larger than life celebrations of various things. They occur at regular intervals, breaking the monotony of life. Festivals are the carriers of peace and joy in our communities.

We are delighted to present PrimeBytes October 2021, which includes thoughts on Gandhi Jayanthi, news on the opening of the Pallikaranai Marshland, and a sharing of the Navaratri Celebrations from our homes.

We hope you will sit back as a family, read together and enjoy and learn from this month's PrimeBytes!

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## A message for our students from the teachers...

As the world celebrated the 152nd birth anniversary of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi on October 2nd, 2021, a day commemorated in our country, as Gandhi Jayanthi, let us remind ourselves to re-dedicate ourselves to the ideals that Gandhiji held supreme in his life.

**Truth, Non-violence, Simplicity and Compassion** to all living beings are some of the eternal values that he held close to his heart, all essential in our lives. Hailed by Netaji Subash Chandra Bose, another great leader of our country as "Father of our nation" for his

undaunted struggle against the British to secure freedom for us, he was also lovingly called “Bapuji” by the whole country.

Did you know that Gandhiji considered himself to be a life-long student?.

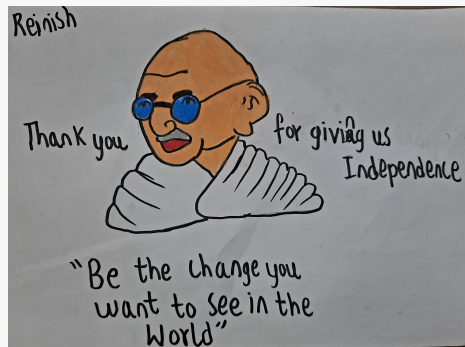
“Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever,” reminds us of the importance of being continual learners.

How well this resonates with our School’s vision “We foster continual learning for all, at all times.”.

As young learners, do aspire and strive to attain the lofty ideals and values. Mark his words -

“ A man is but the product of his thoughts. What he thinks, he becomes.”

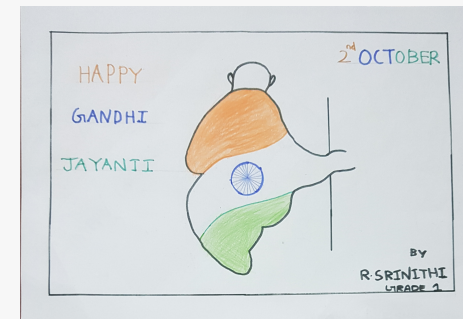
Our students marked their respect for this great leader through their poems, essays and drawings.



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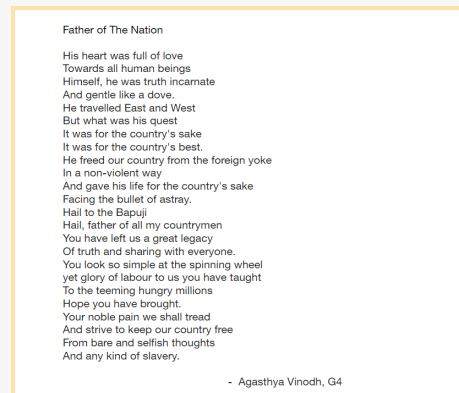
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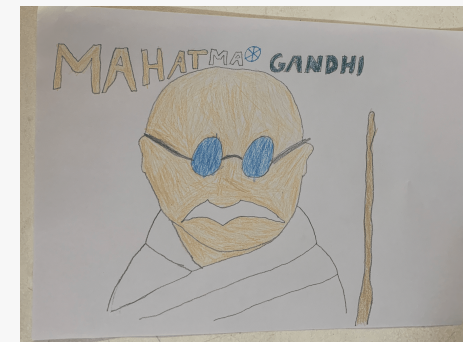
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Ana Sandhya Arun - Grade 4



Agasthya Vinodh - Grade 4



Mahilan - Grade 4

## My Golu story - Bommayi

Hi, I am Bommayi, a pretty girl. I am popularly known as GOLU BOMMA. I am an artistic display made of wood. I am dressed in pink 'pattu pavada' (A traditional blouse and skirt). I stay on the second step, out of the nine steps that represent the nine days of Navaratri. Children recite 'slokas' (hymns), sing songs and I enjoy the happiness and noise that embrace me. 'Sundal', (which is made of legumes) with some sweets and fruits are offered to the Gods. I love the smell and the sight of the varieties of sundal. I see lots of visitors who admire me, look keenly and definitely do not miss taking a selfie with me!

On the tenth and last day, I am put to sleep with a soothing lullaby, along with my friends and packed the next day into a box to be brought out the following year. All I do inside my happy space is to cherish the great moments and wait to return with a bang !

We hope you had a lovely Navaratri celebration!

### From the homes of...



Ms Cinduja - Faculty



Ms Deepa - Faculty



Ms Pavithra - Faculty



Ms Vinutha - Faculty

## This month, make a trip to...

**Pallikaranai Marsh** is one of the last remaining natural wetlands of Chennai city. It is locally known by the generic Tamil

name 'kazhuveli', which means a marsh or waterlogged area. Pallikaranai is one of the 94 wetlands identified under the National Wetland Conservation and Management Programme (NWCMP) of the Government of India.

Pallikaranai Marshland acts as a natural wastewater purification system. It helps in reducing water pollution and acts as a biologically diverse ecosystem. It is a good habitat for fish, avian fauna and several other animal and plant species. It mitigates floods and the effect of cyclones and tidal waves. It helps in water retention and recharge, improving the groundwater level.

It is considered to be of international importance as it is representative of rare, endangered and threatened species, of both flora and fauna. It acts as a forage and breeding ground for thousands of migratory waterbirds from various countries every year.

The Pallikaranai Marshland was opened to the public on October 2nd. The place has walking areas and is equipped with chairs and benches for people to enjoy the birds. One can enjoy the greenery, as well as sit under the shades of trees and get fresh air. Bird watchers have mentioned that they have spotted the famous Eurasian cuckoo — a winter migrant from the Himalayan region!



Source:- Chennai: Pallikaranai Marshland to Open on October 2 | Chennai News - Times of India. 3 Aug. 2021. <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/chennai/chennai-pallikaranai-marshland-to-open-on-october-2/articleshow/86415289.cms>.

