

N.V.S ECHO

BE HEARD...

JANUARY 2012

ED'S NOTE...

Happy New Year, NVS! Yet again, another year went by! May this year bring you new hopes, new dreams, new aspirations, new opportunities and new exams! So let us say alvida to 2011 and make 2012 a wonderful year. The United Nations has declared Year 2012 the International Year of Cooperatives. It intends to raise public awareness of the invaluable contributions of cooperative enterprises to poverty reduction, employment generation and social integration. "Cooperatives are a reminder to the international community that it is possible to pursue both economic viability and social responsibility." says United Nations Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon. This is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to know more about this vast field. Looking back at the months gone by, as a new year starts and an old one ends, let us resolve to exploit every opportunity that knocks at our doors, eradicate the disease which has griped India - corruption, and make this year better than the last!

So, join us to lift our glasses

In a toast to everyone.

To the old year now behind us,

To the new year, just begun.

International Projects and

Newsletters

One team, one spirit, one mission!



VALLEY VOICE...

Lokmat is planning to break the world record for largest number of people sing the National Anthem at once. The current record is 6500. Can Aurangabad break this record?

Yes: 88.27 %

No: 11.73 %

WHAT'S ON CAMPUS ??

- 9th December – Nath Valley stood third in the Ramkrishna Mission Recitation competition.
- 11th December – Nath Valley won the overall trophy for Lokmat inter-school Athletics meet.
- 15th & 17th December 2011 – The much awaited Primary Cultural Evening and Secondary Annual Day were a great success.
- 18th December 2011 – Nath Valley School participated in the Lokmat Cricket Tournament.
- 23rd December – The Christmas Vacations commenced, giving students relaxation time before the II Term studies take over. The XII standard's gave their farewell assembly, reflecting back on their school life.
- 4th January 2012 - XII standard Prelims begin.
- 7th January 2012 – Interhouse Cricket Tournament commenced.



International School Award...



Primary Annual Day...

WORLD NEWS...

1. Anna Hazare discharged from hospital, advised a month's rest.
2. India to get Russian Nuclear powered submarine K-152 Nerpa on 10 year lease.
3. India loses the Second test match against Australia by an innings and 68 runs.
4. The supreme leader of North Korea Kim Jong-il dies of heart attack.



5. Earthquake in Japan: 7.0 magnitude shakes Tokyo, but causes no damage.
6. The rupee appreciated by 17 paise to Rs 53.13 per dollar after steep fall.
7. A nationwide strike begins across Nigeria over the elimination of a government fuel subsidy that has seen sharp price rises.
8. At least 23 people died in Syria on Saturday due to suicide bombing in the capital city of Damascus.
9. Election commission asks Mayawati to cover her statues in Uttar Pradesh.
10. Thailand PM, Yingluck Shinawatra to be chief guest on Republic Day.



CLUB INSIDER...

Hindi Drama...

The Hindi drama club is a place where talented actors of N.V.S are born and shaped perfectly under the guidance of Mrs. Radke and Mrs. Wadi. Students are given different situations and get a chance to put up their act creatively. Short dramas also help in boosting the club member's creativity and their Hindi speaking skills.

Orchestra...

Music develops our concentration, patience and perseverance. It helps in relaxing. This is what the orchestra club aims to achieve. Conducted by Savita Bendre Maam, students in the Orchestra Club learn various instruments such as the table, the synthesizer, and the Congo.



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FROST TALES...

KNOW ME...

Hi!!..I am Katy Frost a very nervous 14 year old girl. I live with my granny who is the only one I have alive. We live in New York City on 5th avenue and I can't stay without my best friends- Nick Price and Anita Nair. Nick and Anny study with me at The St. Peters Elementary High School. We are an awesome threesome and definitely rock when together. So let's begin when it all started. It was the 9th October and I was in the attic along with Nick and Anny. We were helping granny clear the house as she said that houses with dust and dirt attracted only negative spirits and keeping it clean meant a continuous welcome of positive spirits. So Nick, Anny and I started cleaning the attic. So as we all were cleaning I found a piece of rather crinkly and yellow paper and I read the envelope and gasped, I literally yelled, "Guys, I found a letter written by mom". They huddled closer and I decided to read it out loud. "Dear Katy', guys its written for me . "Oh yeah!! Read more..I am sure you want to find out more",Nick said and I replied "I sure will. " So I continued,

"Dear Katy,
My dear I am not even sure you will ever get this letter. If you do I want you to know some things. Your dad and I are alive in some place which is dangerous for you to live in. I hope you are fine with granny Angelina. I am an exuberant explorer so I am out searching for treasure. This treasure hunt may lead us to death but I wish that I could see you before I die . I know you will grow up to be a fine young lady and live up to the expectations of your parents. Also my daughter if you ever need a riddle to solve and you are ready to take any risk in achieving it so here is one - ' the day shall come when the prophecy comes true. The golden dagger should ask for its true warrior for centuries. After it has been buried in the sands of ancient Mughal land, it will awaken again, you must find where it is and the truth lies in a text you will encounter in the land of july."

My child come along and find me if I am alive or take what belongs to you for this is where you belong and this is your destiny. "Guys I need to find mom. We are going . " "It is dangerous ", Anny said and nick replied, "Katy we cannot let you play with your life . " " Guys, trust me we can do this. We are best friends forever and this is my happiness." They put their hands forward and so did I and thus began our journey to find ourselves and something more than that.

- Sanjana Bindra.
- Kanak Gupta.

THE KITE FESTIVAL...

Its the 14th of January again and the "patang" enthusiasts are back. The kites are waiting to catch the wind and the aroma of freshly prepared "til-gul" leaves your taste buds tantalized. Unlike most other Indian festivals makar sankranti is celebrated on 14th of January. It marks the transmigration of the sun into the makar rashi(Capricorn). It is known by different names and celebrated with different customs in different parts of the country. In Maharashtra people exchange multi-coloured halwa and til-gul ladoos. Gul-polis are offered for lunch. The day is spent entirely on terraces in the company of multicolored kites. Wish you all a happy makar sankranti and may your dreams fly out like those thousands of colourful kites flying out there.



- It is said that an elephant is a mouse made according to government specifications. So is the Kranti Chowk flyover. -Mrs. Mohandas.
- The Kranti Chowk episode was not a well planned activity in terms of structure and utilization of resources. It was a waste of time and labour. The only advantage was that a large harm was prevented. -Mrs. Shelar.
- Completion of Kranti Chowk flyover will help to erase out traffic at crossroads, but if the construction is substandard then it is more of a nuisance than a step towards the development of this city. -Mrs. Y. Kale

INDIAN MULTINATIONAL COMPANIES...

Till a few years back the term MNC (Multinational Corporation) in India meant an organization with its headquarters outside India and having a presence in India as a part of its global policy. However over the turn of the century the business world has seen the emergence of companies referred to as 'Indian MNCs'. It all started around 30 years ago when Aditya Birla of Birla group first looked beyond India. Since then there has been no looking back. Indian companies are using all the tricks of trade to go global: Mergers and Acquisitions (M&As), Organic expansions, Green field investments and Joint ventures. The scale and the business share may not be significant today, but Indian businesses are slowly but surely establishing themselves abroad.

Some Facts about Indian MNCs:-

- According to the latest UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2007, India's outward FDI was the second highest at US\$ 20.4 billion after Brazil at US\$ 28 billion.
- Grant Thornton a global consultancy firm stated that India Inc had 92 merger and acquisition deals, valued at nearly US\$ 6 billion, in the first two months of 2008.
- In 2007, India Inc spent US\$ 33 billion on overseas M&As, compared to the US\$ 15 billion spent by foreign firms for acquisitions in India.

- Abhiyash Mishrikotkar X B

A few years back, a Chinese soap hit it big with consumers in Asia. It was claimed in ads that users would lose weight with Seaweed Defat Scented Soap simply by washing with it. The soap was sold in violation to the Japanese Pharmaceutical Affairs Law and was banned. Reportedly, the craze for the soap was so great that Japanese tourists from China and Hong Kong brought back large quantities. The product was also in violation of customs regulations. In June and July 1999 alone, over 10,000 bars were seized.



2012 **make it
co-operative**

CO-OPERATIVES UK

The United Nations General Assembly has declared 2012 as the International Year of Cooperatives, highlighting the contribution of cooperatives to socio-economic development, particularly their impact on poverty reduction, employment generation and social integration. With the theme of “Cooperative Enterprises Build a Better World”, the Year seeks to encourage the growth and establishment of cooperatives all over the world. It also encourages individuals, communities and governments to recognize the agency of cooperatives in helping to achieve internationally agreed development goals, such as the Millennium Development Goals. The IYC aims at raising awareness on the socio-economic impact of cooperatives, for promoting the autonomous formation and growth of cooperatives, promote awareness of the global network of cooperatives and their efforts in community building, democracy and peace, promote the formation and growth of cooperatives among individuals and institutions to address common economic needs and for socio-economic empowerment and Encourage Governments and regulatory bodies to establish policies, laws and regulation conducive



Pauline Green- President of ICA



Amul

The Taste of India

Cut it UP!

Amul
Slice butter. Not uttar.

AMUL - THE TASTE OF INDIA...

What began as a small company selling milk and milk powder in 1946, has grown into India's largest food brand, with a range of products including milk, ghee, milk powders, curd, ice cream, paneer, cream, chocolate, cheese and butter. Its in Anand, Gujarat, that this iconic brand of India started.

Way back in 1949, a US-trained metallurgical engineer -- a nephew of the then finance minister John Mathai -- decided to quit government job and join a nascent dairy cooperative at a third of salary. Milk procurement of the cooperative has grown from a few hundred litre a day in early 1950s to over 90 lakh litre a day, now under one of India's most popular brands 'Amul'.

Amul has been an example of a co-operative organization's success in the long term. The Amul Pattern has established itself as a uniquely appropriate model for rural development. Amul has spurred the White Revolution of India, which has made India the largest producer of milk and milk products in the world. It is also the world's biggest vegetarian cheese brand.

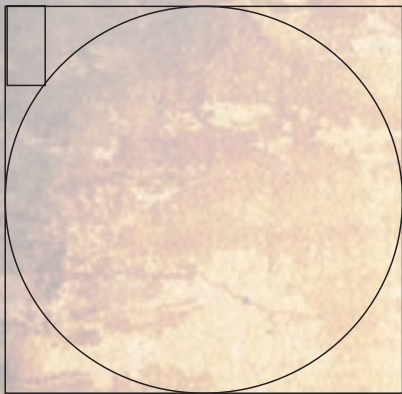
INTERACTION WITH THE STUDENTS OF YSGOL BRYN ALYN

The 6th standard interacted with the students of Ysgol Bryn Alyn on 12th December in the Technology and Media centre. It was an informative and fulfilled interaction where the students had a wonderful experience while talking to their friends in the partner school. 12 students were selected from 6th standard and each took turn to ask questions. The main topic of the discussion was Christmas. The students told the partner school's students how they celebrated Christmas in India and what they expected from Santa Claus. They got to know about how Christmas was celebrated in Wales. They also talked about environment and global issues, and came upon new tactics to overcome sum of them. The NVS students enjoyed it thoroughly.

The students of International Project and Newsletter Club also had an informative interaction with the students of our partner school on 5th July. Various questions related to culture, language, sports and environment were asked as well as answered. It was truly a unique experience all together.

- Purva Shinde VI C
- Nandini Jhunjunwala VI C

HAVE A TRY...



A square inscribes a circle. A rectangle of dimensions 10cm and 5cm is drawn as shown in the figure. Find the radius of the circle.

Answers for the previous issue's Crossword...

1. Xmas 2.nine 3.Britain 4.northpole 5. Elves 6.Greece 7.Boxing 8.Rudolph 9.Nicholas 10.Edison.

Psychology question answer:

First switch on any of the 3 switches .Switch it off after about 20 minutes. Switch on another switch and enter the room. If the bulb is glowing when you enter, the 2nd switch is the one that switches on the bulb .If the bulb doesn't glow, go and touch the bulb to feel its temperature. If the bulb is hot, then the 1st switch switches on the bulb .This is because when the bulb is left on for a while the filament of the bulb heats up causing an increase in the temperature of the bulb .If the bulb is neither on nor hot then the 3rd switch switches on the bulb.

ENIGMA...

A restaurant manager bought two piles of oranges from a suppliers at different time. In the morning the supplier wants \$10 for thirty oranges, or three for a dollar. In the afternoon, the same supplier wants \$15 for 30 oranges for, or two for a dollar. The manager decides to count all sixty at five for two dollars. After multiplying by twelve, sixty oranges cost only \$24, but he needed \$25 dollars for the suppliers. Where is the other dollar?

CAN YOU ???

Starting in the bottom left corner and moving either up or right, one square at a time, adding up the numbers along the way, what is the largest sum which can be made once you have reached the top right corner?

1	4	2	2	1	2
4	3	1	3	4	3
2	1	4	2	1	2
1	2	2	3	3	1
4	1	3	1	2	1
3	1	4	3	4	2
2	1	1	1	1	3
3	4	2	3	2	2

FACT-O-MANIA

- 1.The national flag of Italy was designed by Napoleon Bonaparte.
2. During the reign of Elizabeth I, there was a tax put on men's beards.
3. When Albert Einstein died, his final words died with him. The nurse at his side didn't understand German.
4. Michael Jordan makes more money from Nike annually than all of the Nike factory workers in Malaysia combined.
5. Walt Disney was afraid of mice.
6. Picasso's full name was Pablo Diego Jose Francisco de Paula Juan Nepomuceno Maria de los Remedios Cipriano de la Santisima Trinidad Ruiz Picasso.
7. Napoleon reportedly carried chocolate on all his military campaigns.
8. Queen Elizabeth was an 18 year old mechanic in the English military.
9. Elvis Presley had a reading chair in his bathroom.
10. Astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin ate roasted turkey from foil packets as their first meal on the moon.

-Aneesh Thakur X B

-Kanishk Gandhi X B



NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

1. My New Year resolution is that I want to plant many trees and make the air fresh, dust free and clean.
- Aalouki 3A
2. My New Year resolution is I want to behave politely and kindly and win the world with my politeness and kindness.
- Yuvraj Mulay 3A
3. I resolute to get a gold star and I wish to become a monitor next year.
- Siddharth 3C

MICROSOFT

Microsoft made a significant entrance in the world of IT in 1975 when Bill Gates and Paul G Allen made Basic available on the IBM PC. Now, as we celebrate the dawn of 2012 by naming it the International Year of Co-operatives, Microsoft, one of the largest co-operative organisations in the world, siphons off billions of dollars for itself every second. Situated in Redmond, Washington, USA, this computer firm is the developer of the MS-DOS, Microsoft Windows of Operating Systems and the Microsoft Office. It celebrates this year with the release of the new Windows 8 and a new range of Windows Smartphones. Microsoft has changed the living style of people from writing on a paper to typing on the screen. It dominates 87.7% of the computing market of the world. A life without Windows would mean no shortcuts on your PC, no power point and no Xbox. The most important feature of this co-operative is that it sells with a guarantee of producing better products in the future.

- Shivam Chitnis VII C