

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

KINDERGARTEN WING

Sr. no.	Competitions		Dates
1.	Fun with Colours	LKG	April 08
2.	Shape it Up	UKG	April 13
3.	Banana Race	LKG	April 22
4.	Run for Fun	Nursery	April 29
5.	Get Ready for School Race	UKG	May 04
6.	50 Metre Race	LKG	May 06
7.	Play with Colours	Nursery	May 13
8.	Speech	LKG	May 13
9.	English Recitation	UKG	May 18
10.	Crawling Race	Nursery	May 27

PRIMARY WING

Sr. no.	Competitions		Dates
1.	Calligraphy	II-III	April 08
2.	English Calligraphy	I	April 21
3.	Poster Making	II-III	April 22
4.	Hindi Story Narration (Prelims)	II-III	April 25
5.	Hindi Story Narration (Finals)	II-III	April 30
6.	Long Jump	II-III	April 30
7.	Hindi Calligraphy	I	May 07
8.	Build your Story(Prelims)	II-III	May 16
9.	Build your Story(Finals)	II-III	May 21
10.	200 metre race	II-III	May 21
11.	Spelling Bee	I	May 26

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sr. no.	Competitions		Dates
1.	Parent Teacher Meeting	KG	May 27
2.	Parent Teacher Meeting	I - III	May 28

KINDERGARTEN WING

December 24, 2015: Special Assembly on Christmas Celebration:



The festival of Christmas was celebrated with gaiety and enthusiasm. Students reflected upon the teachings of Jesus Christ and his life. The tiny tots of KG wing sang carols. The students attired as Santa Claus attracted the attention of the audience. The children sang "Jingle Bells" in a very festive mood and danced to the numbers like "We wish you a Merry Christmas" etc. The whole school echoed with the holy hymns recited by the students.

January 20, 2016: Quick as Wink Competition - UKG:

The Quick as Wink Competition for students of UKG was held. It provided the children a platform to showcase both their memory skills and writing talents. It was one of the simplest activities in which students love to engage themselves. The students were shown ten items and were given a minute to look at them and later were told to write their names. The quick experts who could recall the names of all the items were:

Anika, Navdeep Kaur, Yukti Malik, Samreet Kaur, Kavish Jain, Diya Gawri, Taara Sethi, Mayansh Gupta, Samaira Dawar, Nimish Maini, Raghav Saini

January 22, 2016: Wonders with Shades Competition - Nursery:

Children participated and displayed their colouring skills. They enjoyed this colouring activity where they were able to depict their imagination, choice of colours and creativity. It was a pleasure to watch these little ones work with such ease. Freedom of expression through the medium of colour was the highlight. It was an enjoyable day for them. Winners were selected for their presentation & neatness. Each and every work of art was displayed in the classroom. The winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
A	Khushnoor Kaur	Nityam Jain	Aradhya
B	Grishika Narula	Simarleen Kaur	Jaskeerat Kaur
C	Aadit Jain	Aanya Gaba	Ruwan Walia
D	Siddharth Sharma	Shivansh Mittal	Ava Verma
E	Shreya Goyal	Aarav Puri	Rimisha

January 25, 2016: Special Assembly - Republic Day:



In order to arouse the spirit of patriotism and kindle the flame of being a proud Indian, an assembly was put up by the little ones of Kindergarten. It was delightful to witness our Nursery students singing "Bande hain hum uske" exhibiting the fearlessness of India's tomorrow. The LKG students sang "We shall overcome" and just seemed unstoppable with their enthusiasm knowing no limits. UKG kids portrayed the country's multi cultural diversity through an enthralling performance consisting of an enactment representing eminent Indian personalities. A musical presentation by students dressed up as a contingent of the armed forces was the highlight of the show. The whole school celebrated Republic Day with lot of joy and as the event concluded everyone's heart was filled with patriotic fervour and pride.

February 03, 2016: Speech Competition - Nursery:

The kids participated with full zeal and spoke about their favourite pet. The best speakers were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
A	Siddhant Jain	Ananya Gulati	Arnab Mehndiratta
B	Jaskeerat Kaur	Simarleen Kaur	Aasmi Salwan
C	Ayaan Singh	Avyukt Kalra	Pavani Rastogi
D	Japnidh Singh	Bhavika Bhaskar	Tiana Nayyar
E	Shreya Goyal	Devishee	Ronit Baweja

February 05, 2016: Creative Drawing Competition - Nursery:

Besides academics, Mind Tree offers many co-curricular activities to create an environment of positive learning which provides students the freedom to learn, grow and to be what they want to be. A child needs both, freedom and discipline. Freedom inspires creativity and through discipline, he finds the correct expression. It is, therefore, necessary to balance both for personal development. Keeping this in view, a Creative Drawing Competition was organised and the best artists were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
A	Siddhant Jain	Aradhya	Arnab Mehndiratta
B	Simarleen Kaur	Grishika Narula	Jaskeerat Kaur
C	Ayaan Singh	Avyukt Kalra	Prastuti Kansra
D	Diya Grover	Arisha Jain	Ridhi
E	Shreya Goyal	Devishee	Yahira Jain

February 05, 2016: Calligraphy Competition - LKG:

'Writing is like walking in a deserted street. Out of the dust in the street, you make a mud pie.'

The students were full of enthusiasm and all set to show their creative handwriting on sheets given to them. They were judged on the basis of neatness, formation and spacing. The importance of good handwriting was emphasised through this competition. It also encouraged the children to write in accurate letter formation. The best calligraphers were:

Ishaan Bakshi, Suvir Gupta, Divyanoor Kaur Dhindsa, Daksh Walia, Omisha Bahoray, Samar Sharma, Saksh Ahuja, Rudrakshi Bhaskar, Saachi Nanda, Shaurya Jain

February 10, 2016: Bombers Race - UKG:

Physical fitness is one of the most important elements of leading a healthy life. Sports, such as racing, help the students to maintain their fitness, develop their muscular strength, increase their stamina and thus stretch their physical abilities to an optimum level. They help inculcate discipline, self confidence, team spirit, sense of belonging, pride, achievement and self esteem. The kids who were able to drop the can and reach the finishing line quickly were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
A	Trisha Sachdeva Agastya Sharma	Navdeep Kaur Jaiveer S Manchanda	Anika Ayushman
B	Namandeep Kaur Shivaansh Dawar	Srishti Kharbanda Satvik Goel	Kanush Khurana Shaurya Puri
C	Varisha Sirohi Prabhav Jain	Niyati Punyani Shaurya Adlakha	Lakshita Bhatnagar Sarthak Aggarwal
D	Khushi Makkar Harjot S Batra	Dishita Bindra Vansh Nagpal	Yuvika Yaduvanshi Aarav Bansal
E	Manya Udbhav	Samaira Dawar Jai Ahuja	Ishika Saini Parav Sharma

Songs & Rhymes Day

Fairy tales are stories of magic, wonder and enchantment. They're stories that feature fantastic creatures, a faraway place and dreamlike elements. They explore myths and take us to magical lands.

Students of Mind Tree geared up to present the elements of fairy tales with a twist of their own in the Annual Songs and Rhymes Day. The programme brought the audience to the serene setup of mystical woods and presented the story of five friends who got lost in the dense woods and met different fairy tale characters like Cinderella, Snow White, Little Red Riding Hood etc.

Musical and dance presentations of situations within the story gave it a nice touch and the audience loved to see their wards performing on different songs, retelling a completely new, modern story with a magical touch of gummy bears, hunters, dwarves, tribals, cheering townpeople, princes and princesses!





PRIMARY WING

December 24, 2015: Christmas Celebrations:



A joint assembly was held by Grade I, II and III to usher in the festivities of Christmas. Students of Grade I C and I E presented the nativity scene followed by musical and dance performances. Students of Grade II and III also presented choral performances and sang hymns and carols in praise of Lord Jesus and all the sacrifices he made for the betterment of the human race. Children dressed up as Santas brought in huge joy and uproar as they distributed sweets to the students and staff members.

December 28, 2015: English Story Writing Competition - Grade II & III:

Young children are amazing storytellers. They have creativity and innovation coupled with innocence and naivety which make their narratives so charming and interesting. We organised a story writing competition to bring out this talent amongst our children in which we received an overwhelming response. The winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
II	Madhav Dass Garg - E	Trisha Bansal - C	Siddharth Chhabra - D
III	Soneera Tewari - D	Shreyus Sharma - C Varuni Huddar - D	Anmol Singh - D

January 11, 2016: School Reopens After Winter Break:



Each New Year brings joy, excitement and anticipation for many great opportunities that our students receive and experience at Mind Tree School. After a long winter break, the Principal welcomed back all the students and bestowed them with blessings and good wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year. Everyone present in the morning assembly felt welcomed, loved and secure.

January 13, 2016: Special Assembly on Lohri:

Students of II B presented a special assembly on Lohri where the significance of the festival was stressed upon by Madhav Tayal. The Principal wished everyone a joyous Lohri. She urged the students to burn their negativity in the holy fire.

January 19, 2016: English Spelling Bee Competition - Grade I:

Students of Grade I participated in the English Spelling Bee Competition. The competition is always a huge success and strengthens the concept of active learning. The list of winners stands as a proof that our students have high level of learning and language skills.

January 25, 2016: Special Assembly - Republic Day - Grade I:



The students of Grade I B ushered in the 69th Republic, as they celebrated it with full respect, love and integrity.



Students of I-B presented a play on the current situation of Indian society and the problems it faces. They ended the show with a qawwali presentation on the song "Zindagi Maut Na Ban Jaye".

January 26, 2016: Mind Tree salutes the Indian Republic!!!

The Republic Day was celebrated in all its solemnity and grandeur at Mind Tree. Daksh Sharma of II-C spoke on the occasion and asked the staff and students to pledge to uphold the honour and integrity, diversity and uniqueness of "India". Madhav Das of II-E presented a poem reflecting on the beauty of India. Students of Grade II executed patriotic numbers and beautiful dance performances on this occasion. The melodious music and graceful movements of the dancers were spellbinding. The themes of "Swachh Bharat" and "Tribute to the Armed Forces" were the highlights of the show. Later, the Principal addressed the students and urged them to do their best and feel proud to be Indians. She spoke of the grandeur and exceptionality of our country to sustain all sorts of challenges whereas other civilizations have failed to survive, with these words of Iqbal:

*Yunan-o-Misr-o-Roma Sab Mit Gaye Jahan Se,
Ab Tak Magar Hai Baki Naam-o-Nishan Hamara,
Kuchh Baat Hai Ke Hasti Mit'ti Nahin Hamari,
Sadiyon Raha Hai Dushman Daur-e-Zaman Hamara.*





February 19, 2016: Special Assembly on Ravi Das Jayanti:

Grade I-D presented a special assembly on the birth anniversary of Guru Ravi Das. Guru Ravi Das (1377-1527 C.E.) was a famous saint of the Bhakti Movement. His devotional songs and verses made a lasting impact upon the Bhakti Movement. Mannat Budhiraja and Kawangun Sawhney of Grade I-D recited a hymn- "Prabhu ji Tum Chandan Hum Pani" on this occasion.



February 19, 2016: Science and S.St. Quiz - Grade II - III:

Students of Grade II and III participated in and enjoyed the Science and S.St Quiz. The prelims were held in classes and one child from each house was chosen from every class on the basis of the result. The finals were conducted in the auditorium where various rounds like Scramble, Who Am I?, Rapid Fire etc were held through audio - video projection. Prithvi House of Grade III and Agni House of Grade II emerged as winners.



February 20, 2016: Mathethon - Grade II - III:

As the academic year came to live its penultimate working days, teachers and students wish to review and recapitulate what they have learnt and gained throughout the year. In order to test Mathematical skills, coupled with the fun of racing, a Mathethon was held for the students. The students who won were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
II	Jahnavi Nayyar - D Siddharth Chhabra - D	Rushada - E Harshit Goyal - C	Jasmine Jaglan - A Madhav Das Garg - E
III	Shree Kansal - A Pragun Jain - B	Yashvi Jain - A Tanav Gupta - E	Shreya Sharma - E Aniket Goel - A



March 3, 2016: Special Assembly on Maha Shivratri:

Grade II presented a special assembly on the occasion of Maha Shivratri with full energy and enthusiasm. Narrator Rohan Khara of II- A spoke about the mighty Hindu God Shiva and his greatness. This was followed by poems on Shivratri by students of II C & D.

February 2, 2016: Kite making Competition - Grade I:

Theme - Kites was the flavour of the competition as the students participated wholeheartedly to make kites and decorated them beautifully. Kites depicting messages like Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao, Save Earth, Save Planet, Swachh Bharat were created and displayed with pride. This shows how intense the mind set of our young generation is towards social and economic evils. The winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
I	Siah Mahajan - B	Arnav Singla - C	Harshal Raj - C Shaurya Kansal - D

February 16, 2016: Picture Description Competition - Grade I:

A picture speaks more than a thousand words. We too, wanted to test how our students interpret pictures and describe them in their own words through this competition. The results were amazing as the children came out with descriptions beyond belief using good vocabulary and form of expression. The long list of winners makes us proud of their efforts.

March 3, 2016: Special Assembly on the Value of the Week-Kindness:

A play on Kindness was presented by the students of Grade II-E. They focussed on the importance of Kindness in our lives by showing different scenarios of day to day life of different individuals. The play was highly appreciated by one and all.



March 08, 2016: Special Assembly On Women's Day:



Students of Grade II-D presented a special assembly on Women's Day focussing on women empowerment and role of women in our society through a street play that was well enjoyed by everyone.

March 12, 2016: Farewell to Grade III:

Students of Grade II bid a heartfelt farewell to the students of Grade III in a special assembly where they spoke of their feelings for their seniors in a series of presentations. The



students sang "Farewell to you my friend," a song sung beautifully which clearly explained how emotional they felt. It was followed by dance performances on a medley of songs. It moved one and all, as glimpses of the academic session were flashed on LCD projection along with a thank you song sung by the juniors in unison in the background. Students of Grade III were in for a surprise when they were thrown a farewell party on the day of their last examination. The children were addressed by their class teachers and presented handmade mementos, titles and tasty treats! The Council Members were ecstatic as they were gifted their sashes by the Principal as a token of love and remembrance. A number of fun filled games were organised for the students followed by a dance party.



March 14, 2016: Theatre Activity- Grade I:

Grade I presented different forms of theatre in the Theatre activity which showcased their talents and flair for the art of theatrical acting.

Here is a gist of their presentations:

IA - Mime (Mobile Phone) and Heel the World Dance

I-B - Story - Valmiki and Comic Act

I-C - Humorous Act - Rabindranath Tagore and Bhangra Dance

I-D - Story - Akbar & Birbal and Apna Har Din Aise Jiyo Dance

I-E - Story - Tenali Raman and Umbrella Dance



March 14, 2016: Fun Games - Grade I & II:

The students of Grade I & II enjoyed a day full of games, laughter and fun as they were ushered away from books and led into the open to play different games organised by their teachers and sports incharges. The school echoed with their cheers and laughter. It was a memorable day for them. They later ended the day with a movie session.

100% ATTENDANCE

One of the virtues of education is self discipline and appreciation of time. Our students showcase these qualities every year when they bag the 100% attendance certificates. This year too, we had a number of students.

NURSERY

Bhavy Kumar, Ishaan Garg, Raunak Aggarwal

LKG

Rudransh Goel, Chandrabh Singh Uppal

UKG

Ayushman, Anish Dhaka, Aarush Mittal, Saanvi Jain,
Vansh Nagpal, Harsimar Punia, Nimish Maini, Raghav Saini,
Samaira Dawar

Grade I

Nandini, Aditya Guliani, Divyam Jain, Parul Gawri, Vidit Bhanot,
Kavya Dugala

GRADE II

Arshiya Garg, Bhavik Jain, Mohak Trehan, Rishank Kukreja,
Parth Grover, Saanvi Kochar, Prayani Vohra, Kabir Bhola,
Gautam, Bhavik Dutt Harnal, Manan Munjal, Kulnoor K Dhindsa,
Toshan Bhatia, Aadil Markanda, Vanni Jain

GRADE III

Harshita Gupta, Kunal Saini, Vansh Babbar, Tanvi Gupta,
Vansh Gupta, Angad S Walia, Hriday Tuli, Kunsh Bajaj,
Lavanya Malik, Yashika Nagpal, Arvind Babbar,
Harpartap Singh, Tanvi Gupta

Kudos to Hriday Tuli, Arvind Babbar and Yashika Nagpal for bagging the 100% attendance award for the last 4 years consecutively.



January 29 to 31, 2016: Chandigarh Children's Literature Festival: Some of our students from Grade III got a chance to be part of the Chandigarh Children's Literature Festival held at Dikshant Global School, Chandigarh from 29th to 31st January. The festival included story telling sessions and other workshops by award winning writers, illustrators, animators and storytellers who talked about their literary offerings. The children had a whale of a time participating in theatre, craft activities, book reviews and listening to enthralling stories. The motive was simple: to motivate children to develop an interest in reading books. Who knows that some of these young guns might become celebrated authors later on in their lives?

As a follow up, book reviews were presented by students of Grade III in the assembly which were highly appreciated.

EDUCATOR'S CORNER

January 29 to 31, 2016: Chandigarh Literature Festival: We were lucky to get a great opportunity to attend a literary festival at Dikshant International. Renowned authors, journos and illustrators interacted candidly with the students and teachers.

February 2, 2016: Workshop on Motivational Strategies by Mr Atul Gopal: It was an extremely useful workshop for the teachers as it enabled them to clarify their doubts as how to tackle the routine difficulties in the classroom. The highlight was to adopt motivational strategies for children. It concluded with a fulfilled activity where teachers were given 3 minutes to browse through a novel and give their book review.

January 30, 2016: Teachers Workshop - Chandigarh:

Mind Tree School English department teachers enjoyed a 'Story Telling in Class rooms' workshop which was held by Ms Vinita Krishnan the famous resource person who interacted avidly with the teachers and guided them to make their class rooms full of fun and humour. She said that story telling was an art which could be used to instruct children.