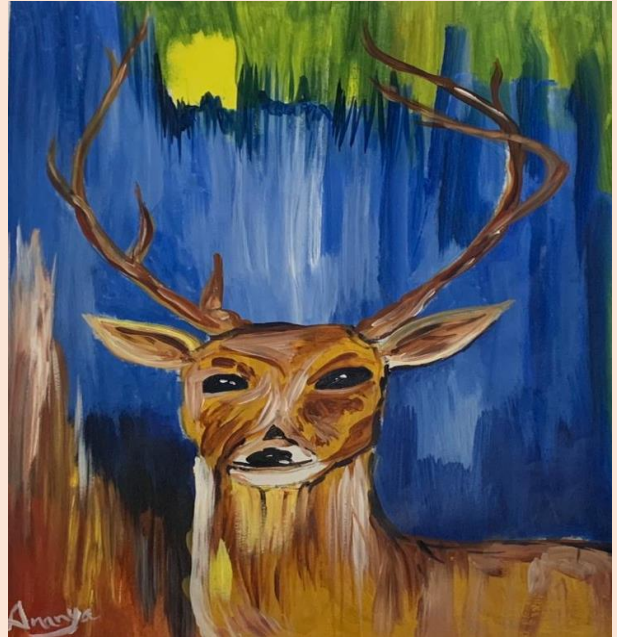




# **CHRONICLE: THE MODERN SCHOOL WEEKLY** **LOCKDOWN SPECIAL**

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## **MODERNITES SAILING THROUGH THE NATIONWIDE LOCKDOWN**

The spread of SARS 2 COVID 19 virus across the country has forced the government to impose a nationwide lockdown in order to prevent the spread of infection among the masses. Like all other private and public sectors, the students and staff members of Modern School are keeping up with the curricular requirements by working from home. Online virtual classes are being conducted by the faculty members on the Microsoft

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Teams platform for the benefit of the students.

Modern School has always believed in the holistic development of the learners which requires a dedicated action beyond the scope of coursebooks and walls of the classrooms. Keeping this policy at the forefront, a plethora of activities has been planned by the School faculty to keep the learners engaged in constructive work even during this lockdown period.

The learners are keeping themselves occupied through their active involvement in different creative pursuits such as poetry, painting, creative writing, photography, reading, cooking etc.

This demonstrates the sense of deep rooted discipline and positivity in the students of Modern School.

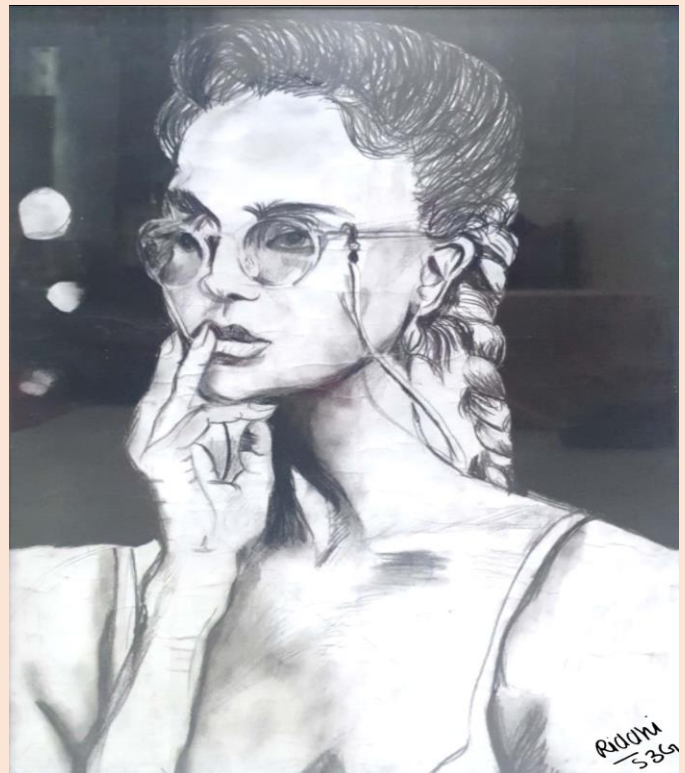
## ACTIVITIES BY KAMAKSHI GUPTA, S5A

When the unprecedented lockdown started in the country, it was time to convert this difficult period into an opportunity to develop new skills, explore hobbies and do things one always wanted to. Kamakshi Gupta is fond of Kalamkari and Madhubani art forms. She tried her hand at different paintings using both the techniques in one art work. Besides pursuing her passion in drawing, she completed an online calligraphy course in Copperplate Font. On the lighter side, she also learnt basics of Italian cooking and was able to navigate this hitherto unfamiliar terrain.



PAINTING MADE BY KAMAKSHI GUPTA, S5A

## ARTWORK BY RIDDHI NARSARIA, S3G



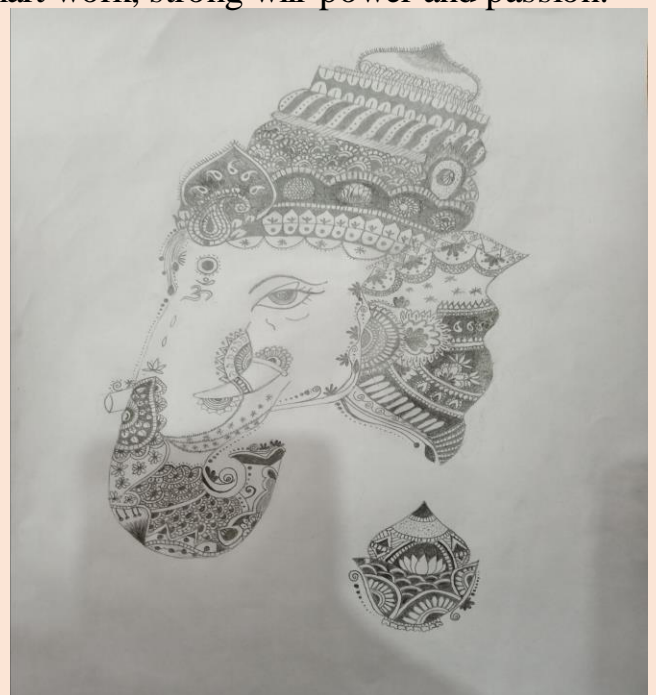


## SECRET TO SUCCESS BY RAGHAV SINGHAL, S3G

Everyone is different. Some are creative; some are more academically oriented and some can balance both. No one is good at everything. Success is achieving one's goal in life. It can be anything from becoming a scientist to a player. Maybe someone likes sports and wants to be a professional player when he grows up and someone is good at science and wants to be an engineer. To some people, success is not about a reputation, but achieving happiness and peace in their life. Most of the successful people are ambiguous towards everything. This gives them a vast understanding of what to do and what not to do. Hard work is not the only the only requisite for success. Sometimes, smart work can give us much better results. A majority of people are not successful because they adjourn their work. Many people don't do well in school but turn out successful later in life. This seems like an anomaly but the main factor to their success is passion. Passion is the quality of being motivated towards what we are interested in. We tend to do our best in the field which we are passionate about. For example, Albert Einstein, a well-known scientist never did well in some of the subjects. But he excelled in Physics, the field he was passionate about. He became a successful man because of his passion and determination. Some people fail in school and assume they would fail in life too. However, they must understand that school is only a step in the ladder of success. For some people, a step down is a step forward. However, this does not mean that the person stops focusing on work in total and think that his studies won't help in the future. There are many qualities which schools develop in us apart from studies. Life is full of ups and downs, expectations and surprises, truths and lies. The important thing is to not give up when life takes a rough turn, greet the surprises with a smile and face them all in our own unique ways. If a person can do so, he or she will certainly be successful. There will be difficulties in the path. But success comes to those people who try to overcome these difficulties and keep moving towards their goal. The four factors which ensure success in life are: hard work, smart work, strong will power and passion.



MAJESTIC SHADES  
BY NANDHINI RASTOGI, S5B



DOODLE ART  
BY KAMAKSHI LAMBA, S4E



## THE MIRACLE OF LIFE BY IRA AGRAWAL, S5A

Every moment you spend reading this, within you, glucose is being broken down, your heart is pumping blood, cells are dying as well as being brought to life. Our body is built to survive and evolve. We are exposed to a staggering number of pathogens and undergo mutations continuously, the vast majority are barely noticeable. Right now, neurons are firing throughout your brain and transmitting signals to your body, as you blink, breathe, move your eyeballs to read and understand. Your brain interprets the world for you but by itself. The brain silently resides in your cranium with the fragile consistency of soft tofu and is incessantly working. Every sac of organelles constituting you, is a miracle...you are a magnificent machine.

*Lub dub lub dub, My heart thumps.  
Pain shoots as my toe I stub  
The feeling of sympathy,  
as a beggar walks on stumps.  
The fever when tissues lie crumpled,  
The salivation  
upon seeing the sweets,  
The smile on a face all dimpled,  
My heart still beats.  
It beats to let the blood flow  
To transport the "fire air"  
Pain I feel  
to try not let dangers grow,  
Pity I feel  
because I want people to care.*

*The tossing and turning as the fever sails,  
Perhaps because of the war  
that wages within,  
The salivating  
though now will lead to hatred  
for weighing scales  
Was earlier a method  
to ensure we don't starve to pin  
and still have kin,  
The smile is contagious to ensure,  
We cooperate and understand each other,  
Our body is a product  
of evolution still obscure,  
Just now another life is born  
in the womb of a mother.*

## QUARANTINE TIME BY ARNAV AGGARWAL, S5A

Lockdown- the reality we are actually experiencing due to the coronavirus scare. It has been extending every time the previous lockdown duration is over. The lockdown is giving people an opportunity to express their hidden talents and become better in themselves. The quarantine time also helps us in bonding better with our families and enjoy spending quality time with them. I have been staying in my farmhouse since the lockdown began. There, I am learning the basics of organic farming. I play with my mom, dad and brother everyday in its huge lawns. Apart from physical activity, I am also practising doodling, calligraphy and also creating a blog website. The best part of my day is playing with my family. I enjoy it very much here and feel safe here. As a citizen of India, I abide by all the lockdown laws and stay indoors. The other important thing to note at this crucial time is to cover the mouth and nose with a mask when going to buy household stuff and maintain a safe distance from others. It is mandatory to wash hands regularly and maintain hygiene.

Nobody knows when the lockdown will get over but when it is over, people won't have the habit of going out of the house. It will be difficult for us to get back to our normal routine including our bedtime schedule but it will definitely be a relief from the quarantine. We all will have something new to discuss with our friends when we meet after such a long time.