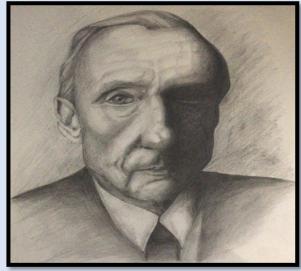


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Still life in mix media and portrait in pencil by Vrinda Gupta (S6F)

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## WELHAM BOYS' SCHOOL CONCLAVE 'SUSTAINNOVATION'

With an aim to enhance the spirit of learning, leadership and innovation, the Welham Boys' School, Dehradun organised an entrepreneurship conclave from 21st

to 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2020. The conclave consisted of three events - article writing, social enterprise case study and the entrepreneurship project.

The article writing event asked the students to pen down a write up related to business and economics which was followed by a comprehensive discussion. Arnav Mehra (S7E) participated in the event and wrote an article on the topic – "Data Intensity Integrity in Pharmaceutical Applications", covering the various aspects of business progress and opportunities available as well as the social benefits accruing from the same. The students participating in the entrepreneurship project formulated a business plan for a self - made product that promoted the idea of environmental sustainability. A team of four - Hunnar Kaushal (S7E), Devanshi Lohani (S7E), Ridit Anand (S7E) and Ansh Bhargav (S7F) presented the idea of a refrigerator based on the concept of evaporative cooling. In addition to the product design, they also suggested some selling ideas and

formulated a business plan for launching the product in the market.

Dronitt Arora (S7H) and Vikramaditya Singh (S6I) participated in the social case study collaborative event in which each team was presented with the challenge of scaling a small start-up driven by a social cause. The students were expected to devise unique strategies in order to make their businesses self-reliant and their business operations environment friendly to accomplish the goal of sustainable development. The team was highly appreciated by the organisers and their ideas were shared with all.

The event was a great learning experience for the students as it gave them an insight into the business world. It also instilled in them a sense of responsibility towards the environment.

#### SUPERANNUATION

Ms Deepika Prashar, from the Department of English, Modern School, Barakhamba Road, attained the age of superannuation and retired after a fruitful tenure in the school. The Principal, Dr Vijay Datta, felicitated Ms Deepika Prashar and wished her the best in her future endeavours.



Ms. Deepika Prashar being felicitated by the Principal

#### **SRIJANYAM**

On the 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 the Assam Valley School, Tezpur, organised its well-known countrywide art and crafts fest, 'Srijanyam'. Given the current situation across the country, the fest was organised online. The events at Srijanyam this year were creatively designed and comprised portrait, poster design, cartoon caricature, and digital illustration. Students of the school's Kriti Club took part with great exuberance in the fest, under the guidance of Ms. Aradhana Gupta and Ms. Manpreet Kaur. Entries were sent for almost all the events and the students were able to bring out their creativity in whatever skill they participated in.



Award winning portrait of Abraham Lincoln

A total of 41 schools across the country participated in the arts and crafts fest. The panel of judges included eminent personalities who are all masters of their respective crafts. Modern School once again proved its mettle on the national stage by competing with other reputed schools across the nation. Farhan Bakht Ahmed (S6B) bagged the **Third position** in the event 'Portrait', by drawing the portrait of Abraham Lincoln.

#### **CREATIVE CORNER**

#### THE TRANSPORTED

#### by: Siddhant Ahuja (S6C)

21st December. The winter solstice. The shortest day for the earthlings and probably the last one for me. It is 12 AM right now and I just focussed my 27" aperture at the SIGMA-PORPHYRION 2A group of galaxies. The moment I adjusted my lens, I saw something way too familiar, something now that stopped my heart dead. It was a blue coloured body and it just looked like, well, you guessed it, *Earth*. It gave my worsted, gloved hands a frostbite. What could this mean? A parallel universe, multiple realities. Had humanity found the answers to the questions which were literally feeding the modern space race? Well, I could happily say that *I did* it all! As I packed my telescope and turned to retire to my bunker, I faced a sight which sucked the breath out of my lungs. Where I was standing was neither a mountain nor a desert, I was standing on a terrain which was neither Earthly nor Heavenly. As I stood, looking through my telescope, I was not looking at a new world from my own world, but I was looking at my own world from a new one. I was transported.....

#### **BLACK LIVES MATTER**

by – Divij Wahi (S2E)

Respect to whites, but not the blacks,
With this discrimination, our hearts crack
George Floyd, an innocent man,
Mercilessly, he was crushed like a can.
Then arose a protest, with the title
'BLACK LIVES MATTER',
They fought as sharp as a cracker.
from having peaceful protests to burning houses,
their determination was like our armed forces.
The world has been broken into two,
respect and peace is only left in a few
Now USA is crying, still protesters are trying.
All this cruelty, all these wrong actions,
has only and only led to destruction.
Stop this discrimination, start love.



Aarish Jain (S2H)



Mukund Beriwal (S3H)

Happiness should be in everyones' nerve.

Let's start a new life, with respect and friendship,

Nobody in this world will face any hardships.

There would be love, not enmity,

At last, happiness would be in every city.



Vrinda Gupta (S6F)

# OUR DAUGHTERS: PREPARED FOR SCHOOL TODAY, PREPARED FOR SOCIETY TOMORROW.

by: Ria Devika Bhasin (S3G)

"We educate women because it is smart. We educate women because it changes the world." 2nd January 2008, a girl is born in a family where there are only boys and the family rejoices and welcomes the little one. A child is born, God's blessings. There is happiness and joy in the air. 3rd January 2008, a boy is born in another family where there are only girls. The family feels finally accomplished! It has an heir who will take the family name forward. At this point, no one knows whether he will be ingenious or not but he is already a designated heir. It makes me think. Is there a difference between the two? Both are children of God. The sun shines the same for them, the earth turns at the same speed for them. Then who has written these rules down and what is this discrimination for? While we are a patriarchal society, nevertheless it does not define and decide capability and potential.

I look around me and see women shining in all areas of life. Be it Kalpana Chawla going to outer space, be it Indira Gandhi becoming the Prime Minister of India, Rani Jhansi fighting valiantly for India's freedom or be it P.V. Sindhu winning laurels for India through her badminton skills. You name it and women have done it. Sports, Politics, Science, Space, the list is endless. Women shine everywhere. In all fields, in all countries, of all religions, women strength is unprecedented. Then why do we shy away when a girl is born? Why do we think we need to get them married and dispense off our duties, why, should they not go to school?

Today, the world is awakened by a woman like Mary Kom. Not only has she fought her weaknesses but also worked hard to be a phenomenal mother and a proud citizen. She reinforces how a woman has fragmented the stereotypes. Women will be the true heirs of global peace and success. They are indeed a blessing. It is time to welcome the girl child as the heir to success, happiness and as the future leaders of a truly international and compassionate human race.