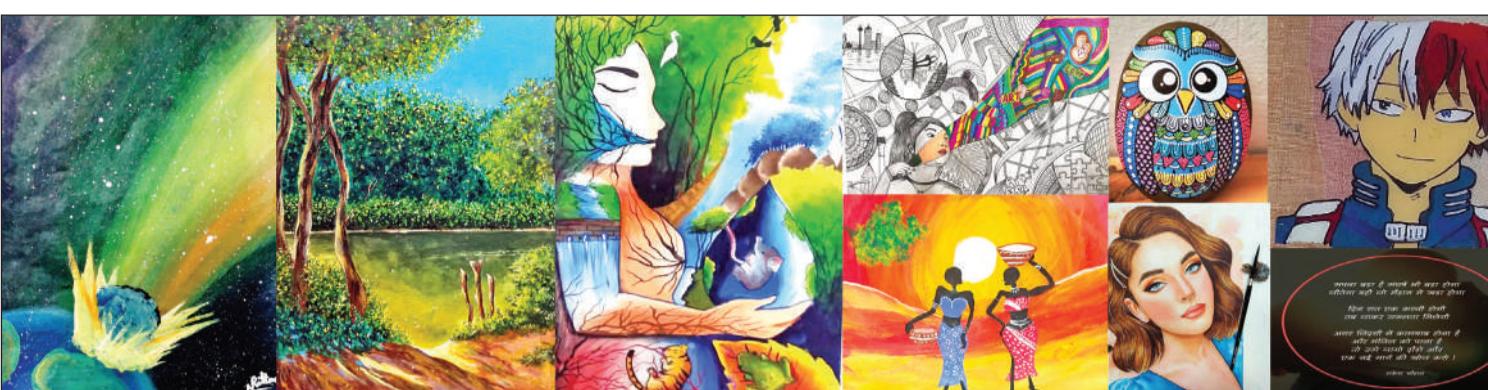


Pablo Picasso Club of Visual Arts in action for its Art Exhibition at JKPS Kunjwani



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JAMMU: The spacious art room of JKPS Kunjwani witnesses plethora of artistic masterpieces, made by the members of Pablo Picasso Club of Visual Arts.

"The study of art is an outlet and can provide quite a few significant benefits to students. Art can relieve stress, which can be a new and intense emotion for children. Once engrossed in the art club activity, students get the opportunity to stoke their creative fires", says the Art maestro Vijay Chandan.

"An art club is a place wherein students yearn to visit to explore the subtle nuances of art forms and hone their individual skills. From mixed medium to water color and traditional oil painting, students explore new frontiers,

where their unique talents lie and explore new avenues of enrichment and expression", reflects Gurpreet Kour, the Art teacher. Looking into the overriding passion of dozens of artists at JKPS, an Art exhibition has been scheduled in the month of January, 2023. Students are all agog with excitement, as top 50 artists and their 10 masterpieces each shall be put up on display in the first round of Art exhibition.

There are always some special feelings with artists, when they see their drawing framed, their painting glazed & their sculptures displayed in a professional manner. students find themselves on cloud nine and pleasantly surprised at the positive affirmations they receive from teachers and parents

who may or may not have realised their artistic skills earlier!

Responding to the queries raised by some curious students, Neetu Sharma, Art teacher responded, "Artists have been asked to start collecting their masterpieces right from the beginning of the academic year. The student's name, class and year will be written on the back of the works on paper. For completing the digital lists, students have started typing names on to a table spreadsheet for name tags.

They will print them out, laminate, and blu-tac or velcro the names on to their boards. During the winter break, artists will begin the laborious work of mounting and framing their work. If this job is tackled satisfactorily during the break, students will

be pleasantly surprised to see the preparation, which is more than halfway there with most work ready for presentation".

Principal JKPS Rajesh Rathore expressed his joy in the idea of conducting Art exhibition this year. "I know we're all trying to create magic with minimal budgets, and decided to invest in some good quality frames in generic sizes. If we store them with care, these frames can be used and re-used each year and save our resources in the long-run".

"The team is designing the layout of the display boards. The work is in progress: steadily and efficiently. Organizing a school art exhibition demands meticulous planning for months together. As we all chip in for sports carnivals, the same way it's time to

seek the favours from the entire team! It will be a great experience for our senior students to contribute their best. From designing invitations to moving artworks in and out of the art room, to matching name tags to artworks, senior students will be of great help. Unity is power", added the Principal.

"The WhatsApp group of Pablo Picasso Club of Visual Arts is flooded with many artistic masterpieces every day. Brilliant strokes and themes fill the spectators with renewed joy and josh for a great Art Exhibition ahead. Looking into the postings made by the Art enthusiasts on a day-to-day basis, we may be compelled to organize the Art Exhibition in two phases", concluded the Principal.

JU signs MOU with LJK Economic Growth and Development Dialogue

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JAMMU: University of Jammu on Wednesday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with LJK Economic Growth and Development Dialogue to set out a framework for the participants to cooperate in the area of investment promotion in J&K. The organizations will jointly conduct studies, research and organize various capacity building activities across the districts of Jammu and Kashmir with an aim to identify investment opportuni-

ties power; will study the gap analysis for all Districts of Jammu. This will help us to find out the strengths and opportunities for each district.

Speaking on the occasion, Sunil Shah, Director, LEAD said that his organization would also conceive a "Youth Conclave" at every quarter on Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

He further said that both organizations will work together for Home Stay training to promote Rural, Religious Tourism. Prof. Parikshit

the exchange of information and managing the activities described in MoU.

MOU will make an effort to showcase business opportunities in J&K to potential investors, drive strategic sector-specific investments from private sector stakeholders across India and the world. The review shall be undertaken to view schemes & policies of the government with respect to industrial growth and investment promotion in J&K and students will truly benefit from such activities as this will help



Registrar JU, Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, and Director LEAD Sunil Shah along with others after signing MoU.

ties and to measure the potential of growth in various sectors of the industry.

The MOU was signed in the presence of Prof. Anju Bhasin, officiating Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu by Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Registrar, University of Jammu and Sunil Shah, Director LEAD.

Prof. Bhasin said that this MOU will bring expertise from both the organizations and Academic combined with stu-

Singh Manhas, Director, School of Hospitality and Tourism Management, JU and CEO, Special Purpose Vehicle Foundation, JU briefed that the signing of the MoU will open new opportunities and open windows for the betterment of our students who by way of this programme will get the necessary exposure.

It is pertinent to mention here that Nodal Officer shall also be designated to facilitate them to understand the gaps and see for themselves if tomorrow he wants to become an entrepreneur and how well he imagine to implement these schemes.

Among others, Manish Ahluwalia, core team members including Sat Sharma, Surinder Gupta, Rajiv Gupta, Harinder, Rajesh and Dr Vinay Thusoo, Incharge Media were also present on the occasion.

Amar Singh Club organises Karwa Chauth function



Chief Guest, Anita Kapahi along with others inaugurating Karwa Chauth festival celebration at Amar Singh Club, Jammu.

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JAMMU: Karwa Chauth is a festival which is of immense importance whereby women keep fast for the long life of their husbands.

To celebrate the auspicious festival of Karva Chauth, an exhibition was organized by Amar Singh Club, Jammu.

The Karva Chauth exhibition was inaugurated by Anita Kapahi, wife of the Secretary of the Club Anil Kapahi along with the other executive members of the Club.

Various stalls displaying top brands of clothes, shawls, jewelry, decoration pieces and makeup kits were available.

Beside these there were stalls of Tarot readers, Nail Art, Bangles and Mehndi for the lady members of the Club. A host of mouth watering eateries was available for all guests.

Notable among those present included Anil Gupta, Dr Nandita Mehta, Vikram Gujral, Ritika Mahajan, Raman Gupta, Sanjay Sethi, G P Chahal and Dr Vikram Handa.

Mantra with all the guests present.

The Secretary of the Club Anil Kapahi thanked the team which had organised the programme especially Vikram Puri. Hundreds of members attended the exhibition and appreciated it.

The Chief Guest observed all the models exhibited by the stu-

SCERT Jammu organises exhibition, seminar

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JAMMU: SCERT, J&K, Divisional Office Jammu on Wednesday organised Divisional Level Jawahar Lal Nehru Science, Mathematics and Environment Exhibition for Children and Seminar on Scientific Academic Institute of India-2021-22 in collaboration with NCERT New Delhi, to inculcate the scientific temper among the budding future scientists studying at Secondary and Sr. Secondary Level at Teacher Bhawan Gandhi Nagar Jammu.

The event was inaugurated by Dr. Ravi Shankar Sharma, Director School Education Jammu as the chief guest.

H. R. Pakhroo, Joint Director SCERT J&K, Rajesh Kumar, Personnel Officer Directorate of School Education Jammu, Chief Education Officer Jammu, Suraj Singh Rathore, Principal DIETs, SCERT Faculty, students and Escort teachers.

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Director School Education Jammu, Dr. Ravi Shankar Sharma inaugurating exhibition.

dents of various schools with keen interest and appreciated the efforts and scientific attitude of the students. He impressed upon the significance of the innovative, creative, and experiential learning among the students and providing frequent opportunities for giving the students wider exposure.

Director School Education appreciated the talent of the participating students. He emphasized the teachers to encourage the students to come forward with new and innovative ideas regarding the betterment of their immediate surroundings.

The theme for this year's exhibition is "TECHNOLOGY

and Dr. Balgar AO SCERTJK. The participating students were awarded with the certificate of participation, and the first three entries in exhibition All and seminar were awarded with the prizes.

First Three Toppers adjudged at Exhibition were Solar Tracker Model by Rummy Sharma and Chahat Sharma from GHS Parangoli Kathua, 2.Green Building Model by Manvi Dabgotra and Abhay GGHSS Rehri, 3.Mathematics Model by Bhumi and Parinitika from MS Jakhar Udhampur.

Toppers judged at Seminar were Suhani Rajput from HSS Hatli Kathua, Manisha Devi from HSS Keerian Kathua, and Parvay Sharma from BHSS Sunderbani Rajouri.

The first three toppers from Exhibition shall further participate at National Level to be organized by NCERT, New Delhi later in this year.

Valedictory function on the occasion was presided by Deep Raj Project Director, Samagra

Shiksha J&K who in his address emphasised upon promoting interest in science and technology by engaging students in learning new facts and inventions with a zeal of interest by exploring the creative talent of the students and force them to think outside of the box by organising such events.

The vote of thanks was presented by JD SCERT, Jammu, H.R. Pakhroo, who congratulated the students for their excellence, the accompanying teachers, DIET principles, judges and the organizing team.

The program was successfully accomplished by the Nodal officer, SLSMEE, Kuldeep Kumar, Sr. Academic Officer, Stage Secretary, Rakhi Atri, Sr. Academic Officer and other team members including Amit Sharma, Dr. Sabeta Kohli, Suresh Kumar Gouria, Ranjeet Manhas, Rajesh Hali, Sunil Kumar, Navneet Gupta, Rakesh Chobber, Academic Officers, Ruchi Mohan and Pratibha Jamwal.

Jammu Club hosts 'Karwa Chauth' exhibition



Jammu Club members during Karwa Chauth celebration.

here that the exhibition is witnessing heavy footfall of members along with their families and guests. The stalls comprised of Mehndi, nail art, bangles, Traditional Suits, Khadi Suits, Kashmiri and Rajasthani items, live snacks and music at the exhibition have been specially curated to showcase everything that might be needed by women to wear, deck up their homes and help them prepare for not only for the festival of 'Karwa Chauth' but also for Diwali thus making these festivals memorable.

Gaurav Gupta expressed gratitude to the members of the Managing Committee, Entertainment Sub Committee members and staff members for their wholehearted support to make this exhibition successful.

Dr Rohit asks JKAP cadre to take forward party agenda in public

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JAMMU: Provincial Secretary/District President Jammu Urban of Jammu and Kashmir Apni Party, Dr. Rohit Gupta on Wednesday chaired a meeting of the office bearers of Ward No 39, here.

The event was organized under the convenorship of Dr. Priyanka Sharma Head, Department of Music. The organizing Committee consisted of Prof. Renu Sehgal and Prof. Rahul Kumar.

active participation in the festival. Students decorated the hands of teachers with beautiful Mehndi designs and teachers also participated in the celebrations along with the students.

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events go a long way in preserving and promoting the traditions being carried on since long.

He said that such valuable traditions reflect the richness of the cultural heritage of the region.

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Gaurav Gupta, Suresh Koul and Vikas Sharma were also present in the meeting.

Kewal Sharma, Vijay Gurta, Om Prakash Dansalia, Surender Gupta, Vishal

Mehndi Festival organised at PSPS Govt PG College for Women Gandhi Nagar



Students of PSPS Govt PG College for Women, Gandhi Nagar celebrating Karwa Chauth.

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JAMMU: The Department of Music, Padma Shri Padma Sachdev, Government P.G College for Women, Gandhi Nagar Jammu in collaboration with IQAC organised 'Mehndi Festival' in lieu of Karva Chauth a traditional Indian festival under the patronage of Principal Prof. Minu Mahajan. On this occasion she appreciated the students for their keen interest and

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