

EDITORIAL

"A book is a dream you hold in your hands." - Neil Gaiman

'Me the Bookie' is a wonderful way to engage students and contribute to the reading culture in our school. It encourages students to read more and explore titles of different genres. The students not only read but can also feel them live as they learn to visualize the scenarios mentioned in the stories by reading the text alone.

Reading books stimulates & accelerates their emotional development and fosters natural curiosity. It takes them around the world and helps them improve their concentration, vocabulary and language skills. It gives wings to their imagination and makes them think beyond their immediate environment. Above all reading is a perfect stress buster.

Club Masters

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A CHRONICLE OF ACTIVITIES

The Woodcutter's Axe

The first session of the club was held on 20.04.17. The famous story - The Woodcutter's Axe from 'Panchatantra' was narrated to the students with the help of a video followed by a small questionnaire & discussion. The students listed new words and their meanings from the story read. They enjoyed the story and also enhanced their vocabulary.



Heidi

The story selected for the activity held on 20.07.17 was 'Heidi', a popular fairy tale about a girl who lived with her grandfather. The students read and watched the story on the Smart Board. In the follow-up activity, 'Roll and Retell', the students took turns to roll the dice. Those, who got a six, retold a part of the story in their own words. The next player continued and narrated the following part. The activity engrossed the students and enhanced their speaking skills.

Birds of Different Feathers

In the activity conducted on 24.08.17, the short story 'Birds of Different Feathers' written by Tithi Tavera was narrated by the teacher followed by loud reading by the students. The message depicted through the story, 'Each individual in this world is important and holds a special place' was highlighted. The students picked out adjectives from the story and wrote them beautifully on colourful strips of paper. In the follow-up craft activity, the students made a paper bag using an old newspaper and decorated it with the colourful strips with adjectives to give it an attractive look.



Home at Last

The story 'Home at Last' by Renuka Vishwanathan was narrated by the teacher followed by loud reading by the students in the activity held on 21.09.17. The story describes the identity crisis faced by a young Indian girl living in America and how she takes pride in the Indian culture after her first visit to India. New words, their meanings and usage was highlighted. As a follow-up activity the students made attractive Pencils Pops based on different characters of the story using paper cutouts and other decorative material. Some of them made Pencil Pops depicting the emotions of the characters in the story.



Exploring the Author 'Anushka Ravishankar'

The popular children's book author of India 'Anushka Ravishankar' was explored by the students in the activity held on 27.10.17. They were briefed about the author's famous books. As a follow up activity the students pasted pictures and wrote information about the author on A4 size pastel sheet and made attractive table mats.



The First Flight

Manoj T. Thomas's story 'The First Flight' was narrated on 23.11.17. It was a rib-tickling story and was liked by the students. After the story session the children wrote the book review with the help of the clue words and hints.

The Report Card

December is the result time, so the story 'Report Card' by M. S. Madhavan was an apt choice for the story telling session on 21.12.17. The session was very interactive & interesting as the students shared experiences about their own Result Declaration Day . A quiz based on the story was also conducted as a follow-up activity.



Tiger in the House

To conclude the session's club activities, the story 'Tiger in the House' by Ruskin Bond was shown on the Smart Board on 25.01.18. It was a movie with bold subtitles, which was a new experience for the students . They made a story folder and pasted a picture of Ruskin Bond on the cover page.



Parents' Feedback

A big thanks to the club-Me the Bookie. My daughter has developed reading habit. She now prefers to read a book over playing games on computer.

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Reading not only improves memory, focus and language skills but it also gives wings to one's imagination. Thanks to the club masters for introducing my child to the infinite world of books.

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