

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

Dear readers,

Children will remember an important day only if they are told what the occasion signifies. So a celebration makes them aware of the world in a more fun way. Celebrating events and festivals in our school has become an integral part of learning and building a strong cultural belief. Such celebrations bring the students closer to each other's traditions and cultural beliefs and develop respect and understanding for each other's customs and traditions. Some of the days celebrated in our school are Independence Day, Janmashtami, Mother's day, Grandparent's day etc. Other famous festivals of India include Raksha Bandhan, Holi, Diwali, Eid, Christmas etc.

With so many festivals to celebrate, Indians surely have millions of reasons to rejoice! Furthermore, when students from different regions experience this joy of festivals, it truly enhances the Indian culture. So apart from classroom learning, Universal Public School encourages students to celebrate each and every festival and event with great zeal and enthusiasm. Children are exposed to the essence of festivals in various ways like they tap their feet on peppy songs followed by cheerful rhymes and melodious songs. Each and every performance turns out to be innovative and unique in its own way. At the end of the day the boundless joy of celebrating the event is visible on the faces of all.

The school also believes that education will allow the child to bloom, blossom and thrive, giving them the right platform where they will work towards becoming a responsible citizen.

Nishant Dongre

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'RAKSHA BANDHAN' CELEBRATION AT UPS PUNE

'Raksha Bandhan' or 'Rakhi' is a special occasion to celebrate the virtuous bond of love between a brother and a sister which is one of the deepest and noblest of all human emotions. To commemorate this festival, a Rakhi Making Activity was organized for the students of UPS PUNE. Students made beautiful Rakhis individually using different articles like woollen thread, ribbon, beads etc. Also students made big size Rakhis in a group and tied these Rakhis to the trees in the school premises. Their artisanship was quite fascinating and children thoroughly enjoyed this activity that tickled their creative side.



A ROLE PLAY ON “PATRIOTISM”

A Role Play on the theme “Patriotism” was organized by Universal Public School on Friday 5th August, 2022 for the students of Grade 1 to 5. This program was arranged to help the students to know about the freedom fighters and living legends of our country who fought for freedom and injustice. Students developed their social skills to learn about becoming good citizens of the society & the nation as a whole. Students demonstrated awareness of the rights, and feelings of others by participating in the planning and presentation of role-play on the theme patriotism. In this regard, our school has taken an initiative for promoting patriotism through Role-play & students were motivated to participate in the program. The students participated with great enthusiasm and zeal. Students were dressed up like the freedom fighters and living legends and recited the famous dialogues and slogans based on the same. Altogether it was a wonderful experience for the students.



INDEPENDENCE DAY AT SCHOOL – AZAADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV

‘Let be freedom in mind, soul & body. Faith in your words & pride in your nature.’

Universal Public School celebrated the 75th Independence Day. The school campus was beautifully decorated with balloons and flowers of the tricolour. The entire school campus echoed with patriotic songs that sprung feelings of pride and love for the nation. The Principal, Mr Nishant Dongre, along with the Chief Guest Shri Inder Chopra hoisted the National Flag, while the students, their families and the staff members present on the campus stood tall and saluted the flag with reverence. Students prepared multiple performances and presented the same in front of the audience. The program was divided into three slots- Kindergarten, Grade I & II, and Grade III to V. The celebrations commenced with the Welcome Speech by the Chief Guest. Students sang patriotic songs and dressed up as freedom fighters. Students presented the diverse attires of India and gracefully performed patriotic dances. They shared their thoughts on their love for the country and most the teachers recognised their gratitude by reciting poems dedicating it to the freedom fighters for their support and sacrifice during the freedom movement. The Principal congratulated all the students, parents and staff for enthusiastically uniting to celebrate and honour the nation on this auspicious day.

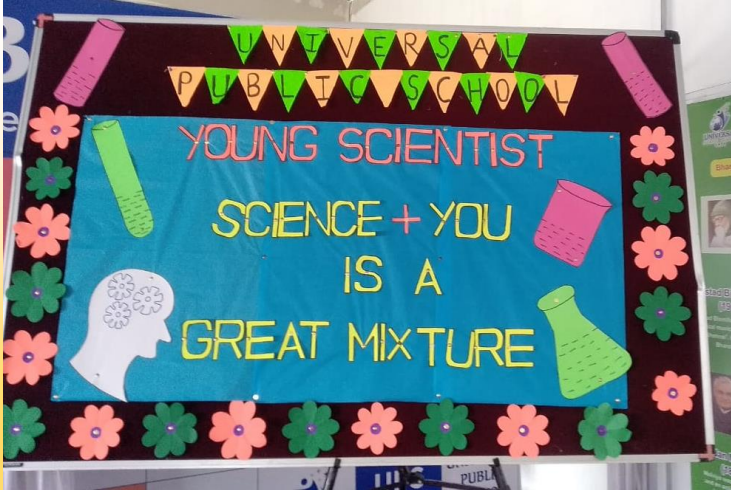
“For to be free is not merely to cast off one’s chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others.”– Nelson Mandela



YOUNG SCIENTIST DAY

“Science is the process that takes us from confusion to understanding”.

Universal Public school arranged YOUNG SCIENTIST event for the students from grade1 to 5 on Monday, 29 August 2022, where students presented and spoke on their self made projects. The theme was Human Body -a machine. Each class was given separate topic. The topics were-grade 1-Human body parts and good habits, grade 2-Parts of body, grade 3-Respiratory system, grade4-The Digestive system, grade5-The Skeletal system. Students made the models and charts to explain the working of different systems. They came to importance of human body parts and their role and also, how we should take care of our body. All the students from each grade participated very enthusiastically.

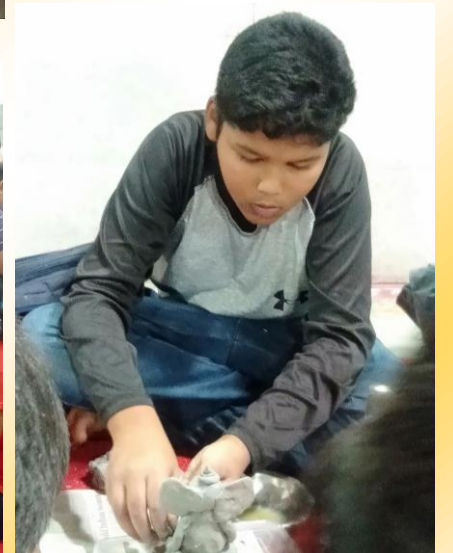


ECO GANPATI IDOL MAKING WORKSHOP AT UPS PUNE

An idol making workshop was organised on Sunday 28th August 2022. The students of various schools participated in this workshop and made environment friendly Ganapati statue at Universal Public School Pune. The workshop was organized by SAKAL Newspaper. In this workshop, around 100 students from class Pre –K to VIII participated and learned to make Ganesh idol. To explain the importance of the event to the children, the volunteers of the SAKAL group, trained and assisted the students in making the statue. School Staff gave special guidance to all the present participants. During this time the students made clay sculptures of their choice. In it, Ganesha is seated on a lotus flower, in different postures. A wonderful initiative to spread awareness among the students workshop on how to make 'Ecofriendly Ganesha Idol' was appreciated by the parents. The Principal of the school, Mr. Nishant Dongre and teachers applauded the students for their wholehearted participation.

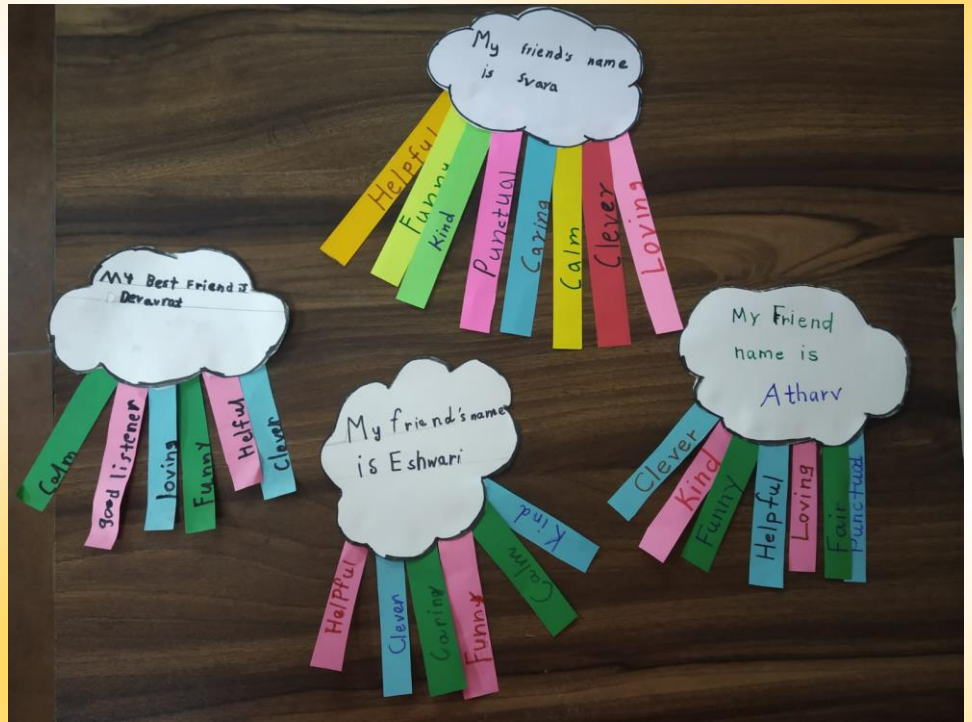


Date: 28th August 2022 **Day:** Sunday
Timings: 10a.m. To 11.30am.



FRIENDSHIP DAY

The glory of friendship is not the outstretched hand, not the kindly smile, nor the joy of companionship; it is the spiritual inspiration that comes to one when you discover that someone else believes in you and is willing to trust you with a friendship. - Ralph Waldo Emerson



JANMASHTAMI CELEBRATION AT UPS

A splendidly colorful program was organized by the children and staff of the school; where students presented songs, dance performances and a short role play. An awareness on Janmashtami, the mythological stories on Krishna, Radha, – through plays and narrations; were presented to the children. Krishna Janmashtami was celebrated with great pomp and festivity by the tiny-tots of pre-primary section at Universal Public School, Pune. Dressed as Radha and Krishna, the cute little ones added a traditional touch to the entire celebrations when they danced to the beat of Janmashtami songs, filling the air with joy and festive spirit during the ‘Matki Phod’ Event.



YELLOW DAY IN PRE-PRIMARY WING

With an objective to recapitulate and reinforce the effects of yellow colour, Pre-Primary wing celebrated “Yellow day”. A day dedicated to the yellow colour was marked with children dressed in different hues and tints of yellow. Children were not only beautifully dressed in their favorite yellow dresses but also brought yellow objects to make it a complete “Yellow Day”! Cheerful Children attired in yellow outfits were sparkling with optimism, enlightenment and happiness. Beams of yellow shades carried the promise of a positive future flashing creative thoughts in the young minds.

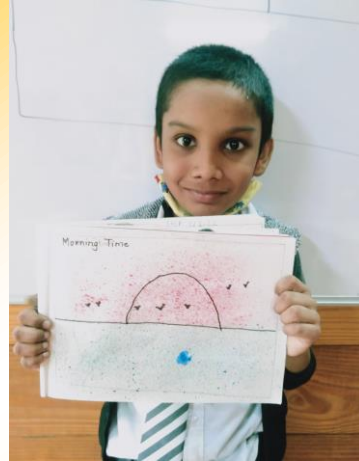
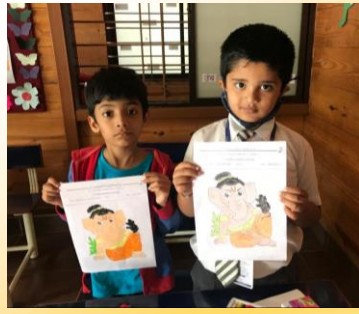


GANESH CHATURTHI CELEBRATION @ UNIVERSAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Festivals build group cohesiveness, bring people together, break the monotony of routine, and energise the body, mind, and spirit. Echoing this festive spirit, the Pre-primary & Primary students of Universal Public School celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi with much zeal and zest on 30th August 2022. Ganesha is the first to be worshiped among all the Gods in Hindu mythology. He is known as the God of prosperity and wisdom who removes all obstacles, bestows happiness, and spreads peace. The celebration started with Ganesh Vandana, dance by students and a skit of Ganesha by teachers. Later the celebration ended with a dance performance with the students. The festival brought devotion, creativity, understanding and learning. Overall it was an enjoyable day for all.



VARIOUS ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED IN SCHOOL



PRE-PRIMARY FANCY DRESS



EDUCATIONAL FIELD TRIP TO S.R.P.F.



INDEPENDENCE DAY CLASS ACTIVITY



जिस दिन का हमको रहता है बेसब्री से इंतजार,
वो है हमारा स्वतंत्रता दिवस का त्योहार ।

