



THE ORIGINALS



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“DHIYO YONAH PRACHO DAYAT ”

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FEAST OF SAINT VALENTINE

“Failure is the opportunity to begin again more intelligently.”

– Henry Ford

Head Girl

Sanskriti Saraff

School Prefects

Suchi Saraf

Avni Shroff

Michelle Bagchi

Games Captain

Ishika Banerjee

Cultural Captain

Snigdha Jain

Social Service Prefect

Jia Juneja

Lakshmi House

Captain

Jahnvi Jain

Santoshi House Captain

Parinita Choudhary

Gayatri House Captain

Tahiti Gupta

Coming Up Next

Mahashivratri

Inter-house Folk Dance

House line

Primary school returns

Starting from Ken gifting a handmade card to Barbie, to Kanye dedicating a room filled with roses to Kim K, people have developed their own definition for valentine's day. St.Valentine was a commoner during the rule of Claudius II in Rome, under his rule no soldier was allowed to marry for he thought that those who got married were weak. Valentine was a brave man and was completely against the prospectus, he decided to fight for the soldiers and ultimately storming came the men sent by Claudius, who captured Valentine and threw him in jail. Later, he fell in love with the jailer's daughter and wrote her a his last letter which said "with love, your Valentine." Our Mistars, dreaming of having a prom night on the 14th of this month, would probably end up watching a movie or continue dreaming.

The cupid's bow and arrow are in position, but his aim is deflected due to the feminine backdrop. It's not really about the seven days prior to Valentine's that includes hug, propose, teddy and rose days but it's about YOU loving the person through their good and bad times. That person may not just be a boyfriend but can be your parents, grandparents or any other person that you share a close relationship with. This day acts as a reminder to those who make our lives special by simply existing and being a part of it and we promise to reassure that we will forever and always respect their decisions and be there for them in the name of love even if they're far away, through their thick and thin.

To help provide you with inspiration for Valentine's Day gifts this 2020,

we've listed some of the world's most weird and wonderful traditions below... As you'll discover, there are numerous ways that you can show your love!

JAPAN

Against protocol, it is the girls that chase the guys in Japan! Girlfriends and wives gift their men chocolate-infused presents in the hope they'll return the gesture the following month.

To celebrate, retailers go to extreme lengths to encourage buyers to splurge on chocolate over this period, by investing in an array of unique creations. In fact, half of all the chocolate sold in Japan is in the period near to Valentine's Day.

DENMARK AND NORWAY

To celebrate this momentous date in Denmark and Norway, those who are loved will send their Valentine an anonymous poem or card, signed with only the number of dots that represent the letters of his name. If the girl is able to guess the suitor, she will be gifted with a chocolate Easter egg. If not – it is she who is to buy the egg for her admirer in the form of an apology!

WALES

Those in Wales tend not to celebrate Saint Valentines in the usual way – instead, they pay homage to the Welsh patron saint of lovers, who goes by the name Saint Dwynwen. To mark this special date, loved-up individuals gift each other with picture-perfect, wooden carved spoons.

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These are handed out in January, prior to the madness that is associated with 14th February. The tradition has grown dramatically, and these hand-carved gifts are now becoming popular wedding, birthday and anniversary presents.

SOUTH KOREA

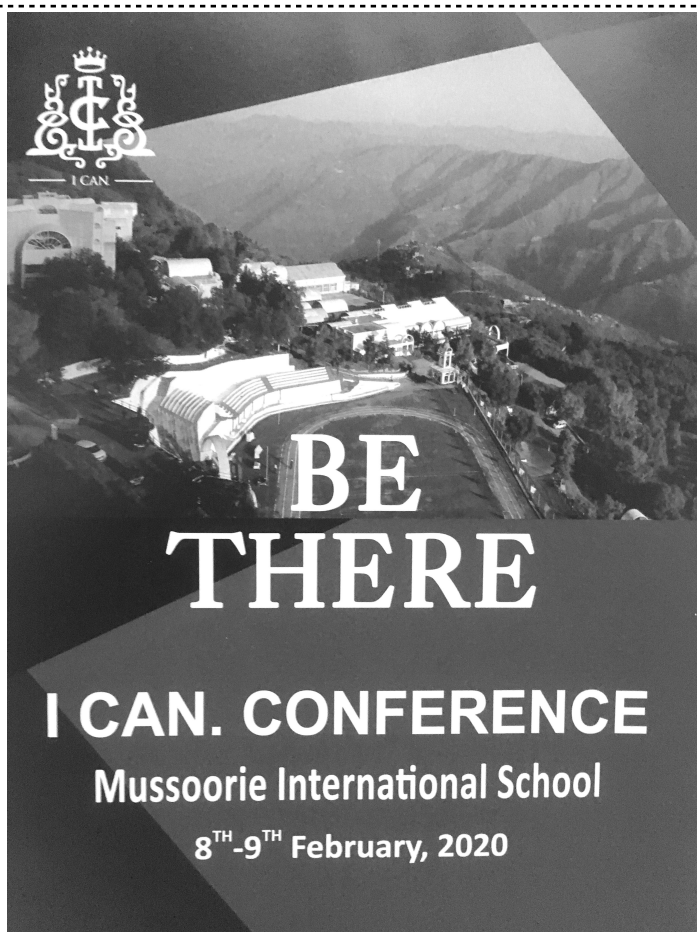
If you're the ultimate romantic, take note from South Korea, who celebrate this date each and every month on the 14th day. Gifts include the likes of love, hug gestures, roses, wine, and kissing. When 14th

February comes around, chocolates, fluffy toys, flowers and all of the traditional Valentines trimmings replace the above gestures in abundance. There is even a celebration for singletons, which takes place in April, titled 'Black Day', which involves single people getting together to celebrate their independence by dining on meals of black sesame noodles.

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I CAN! I CAN!

~ Noor Fateh



2020 started off with a wonderful bang. The bang known to us as 'I Can' which took place on the 8th and the 9th February. The organisation's spokesperson and founder Mr. Akshit Batra conveyed his eagerness to hold an I Can conference in MIS during the end of 2019, where we were given an introduction to I Can. It was also at that time when Mr. Akshit Batra unknowingly predicted a few of the White House students naming them as the "Quasi Prefectorial Body" and later on, offended Avni and compensated by dancing with her.

Even though the MIS stars knew the dates beforehand, many claimed to have had no other option but to book their flight tickets after the conference due to weather conditions. However arriving late and missing 22 hours didn't stop the rule breakers from joining parties or modeling for advertisements. Despite being a member of a political party, Yana went to model for Monte Carlo as well as Maybelline. Corporate house 4 couldn't find anyone else so the CEO's dragged the batch of outgoing twelve's away from studying for their board exams. Although it was ridiculously cold, Akshita's and Akshit's beanie kept us going. It's sad how Akshita's woollen pearl covered beanie had more importance than my life.

Go Cool

Sweetie, you are the fools of highest order
Ma'am Abhilasha Tiwari

Hopelessness to the power of infinity
Ma'am Ponny Chakko

School sing louder
Ma'am Meeta

"KADDU"
Mr. Grover

"RUBBISH"
Mr. Mayank

"What happens in Vegas, Stays in Vegas"
Ma'am Abhilasha Tiwari

"Oo Maa Goo, Joi Mata Sontoshi"
Mr. Rupesh Chokroborty



Akshita single handedly asked more questions, had a beanie worth a lot and managed to diss all the seniors. Regardless of Unnati, the leader of opposition, threatening us, "Stroke of midnight", Suchi managed to prolong her position as the Prime Minister and passed two bills. Even though "we all know what went down" winning is more fruitful when you get prizes. Apurba and Ojasvi and Shreya won twelve thousand and five hundred for their innovative products. Watch out Facebook and Padman, Grade 10's this year are a creative group of people. During the conference we had among us many famous persons. To name a few- Harry Potter and Love Aaj Kal 2- Tanisha from the I Can. team. The She - Panthers will be talking about the impact this conference had on them for a while as they whole heartedly await for I CAN 2.0.

TWO STRIKES DOWN, ONE MORE TO GO

TOT: Has your perspective for the school, after being given the responsibility to lead the MISStars, changed?

THG: It has been less than 30 hours that I have been given this honour. Things are definitely different on this side but I intend to work with the same enthusiasm and interest as the first day.

TOT: One change that you prioritize and wish to bring in the school instantly?

THG: No change comes instantly, it takes time for any change to be implemented. As the school believes, "Legacy is built over time and not overnight." One change that we as the senior most grade wish to bring about in the school is "Talent comes above seniority." This change can be brought about only if the upcoming grades also work towards it during their tenure in MIS. Our hope is that every MISStar will take upon themselves the challenge of doing their best in whatever they excel at and work towards all round excellence.

TOT: The Principal mentioned fifteen qualities that a leader should have. Is there any quality that you wish to work upon?

JOURNEY THROUGH THE MYSTERIOUS GLOBE

- Covid-19 : Name given by WHO for corona virus, deaths top 800, overtake SARS 'severe acute respiratory syndrome'
- NYC shows support for wuhandurring lunar New Year parade
- Delhi elections 2020, Aam Admi Party (AAP) acquires 62 seats out of 70
- Oscars 2020: parasite's historic win, (korean drama/ mystery) bong Joon Ho the director is proud and overwhelmed after four huge wins
- Justin Bieber ft. Quavo recently dropped the track 'Intentions' a part of his new album 'changes' with a huge meaning behind it.
- U.S. admiral says Indo-Pacific is standing up against China
- UAE ministry abolishes homework in government schools

THG: I would like to work upon two qualities. The first one is resilience. I often spend too much time listening to my fault finders instead of taking an action and doing something about it. The second quality is communication skills. There is always scope for improvement in order to become a better orator and learn the art of public speaking in any situation be it formal or informal.

*TOT - The Originals Team, THG - The Head Girl

SHASHI'S CACOLOGY

Floccinaucinihilipilification: The action or habit of estimating something as worthless.

Panglossian: Naively or unreasonably optimistic.

Agathokakological: Composed of both good and evil.

Defenestrate: Throw (someone) out of a window.

Snollygoster: a shrewd, unprincipled person, especially a politician.

Schadenfreude: pleasure derived by someone from another person's misfortune.

Farrago: a confused mixture.

SIMON SAYS

Gave up on their posts
(Santoshi Captain)

Zip up your upper up.
(Interact President)

I have many rice
(Roseleen Saini)

My birthday is coming
(Artistic Prefect)

It was put last year
(Mr. Saurabh)

Don't look at down
(Mr. Manoj)

You are in twelves now
(Ms. Fizah)

PREVIOUSLY ON CAMPUS

"Spring is here, spring is here, how do you think we know?"

We just saw our twelfth graders getting all the posts! "

Hearing the Aam Aadmi Party win in Delhi and seeing the "short" but first elected Head Girl take over the school showcased a simple majority. The special afternoon assembly was not only "special" for the mini Council but also for the aspiring leaders. Also, did we see our seniors act in solidarity and give away their grade name?

Congratulations to all the outgoing 10s for finally finishing their mock exams and to the rest of the school, Best of Luck, for your unit tests are approaching. The clubs have been re-introduced, mentor-mentee has been re-branded and the tracksuits have been re-designed. With a sigh of relief we can announce that spring has finally reached the door-step of Mussoorie. At the end let's not get all so hyped up about it for we might just revert back to the old timetable pretty soon including the early morning PE and brekkie at 7:20 am. As we prepare to set our body clocks to the new spring schedule, let us always bear in mind that the mood is ACADEMIC come what may!

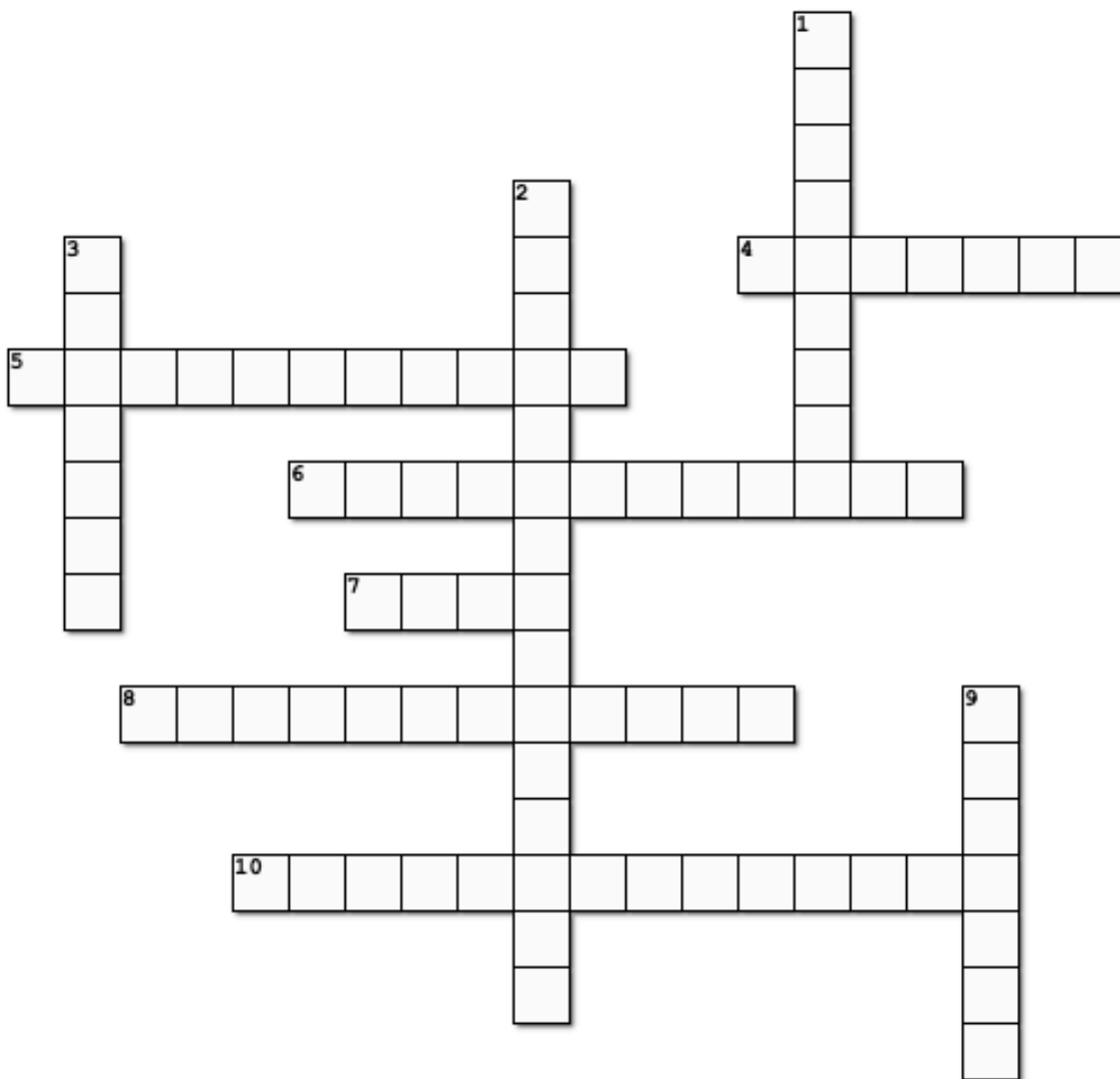
CROSSWORD

Across

- 4. "I believe in you Elsa. More than anyone or anything."
- 5. "Stop, stop, stop! You're going to take someone's eye out. Besides, you're saying it wrong. It's LeviOsa, not LeviosAR!"
- 6. "It's so fluffy I'm gonna die."
- 7. "Kya tum mantally challenged ho my bwoy?"
- 8. "We're bad guys, it's what we do."

Down

- 1. "Something followed me."
- 2. "I was the world's greatest spy, and then you turned me into a pigeon."
- 3. "Kitna achha hota..agar acid bikta hi nahi.. milta hi nahi toh...fikta bhi nahi"
- 9. "I'll never let go, Jack. I'll never let go."



1.	TheGrudge	4.	Frozen2	7.	ZNMD
2.	SpiesInDisguise	5.	HarryPotter	8.	SuicideSquad
3.	Chapaak	6.	DespicableMe	9.	Titanic

* We bid a temporary goodbye to our IT head Aditi Mittal who is going on study leave for 3 months ...but she will be back once her exams are over. She can't let go of THE ORIGINALS!

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