



BEING A STUDENT

"The best education is not given to students, it is drawn out of them." –Gerald Belcher

The best phase of an individual's life is that of being a student. It's the time to learn and explore every new opportunity that life brings with it. Every young mind has a spark within it which when ignited can lead to the fire of innovation. The student life of an individual commences from kindergarten passing through various stages like primary school, middle school and high school, then taking a leap towards undergraduate education and extending upto postgraduate level. Every phase brings with it new challenges which helps him to evolve into a better individual. He learns different lessons, encounters many failures and even gets the chance to taste the fruits of success.

Even after earning a doctoral degree, a person can yet be addressed as a student because a student is someone who keeps learning and developing. As the process of learning is incessant having no age restriction for it, a person can be a student as long as he keeps imbibing knowledge.

Hence, the doors of acquiring knowledge should always be kept open irrespective of any barriers that you might come across.

On the occasion of World Students' Day, the Literary Team celebrates the student spirit prevailing within all of us by presenting before you The World Students' Day Edition of the GST Gazette.

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THE LITERARY CLUB

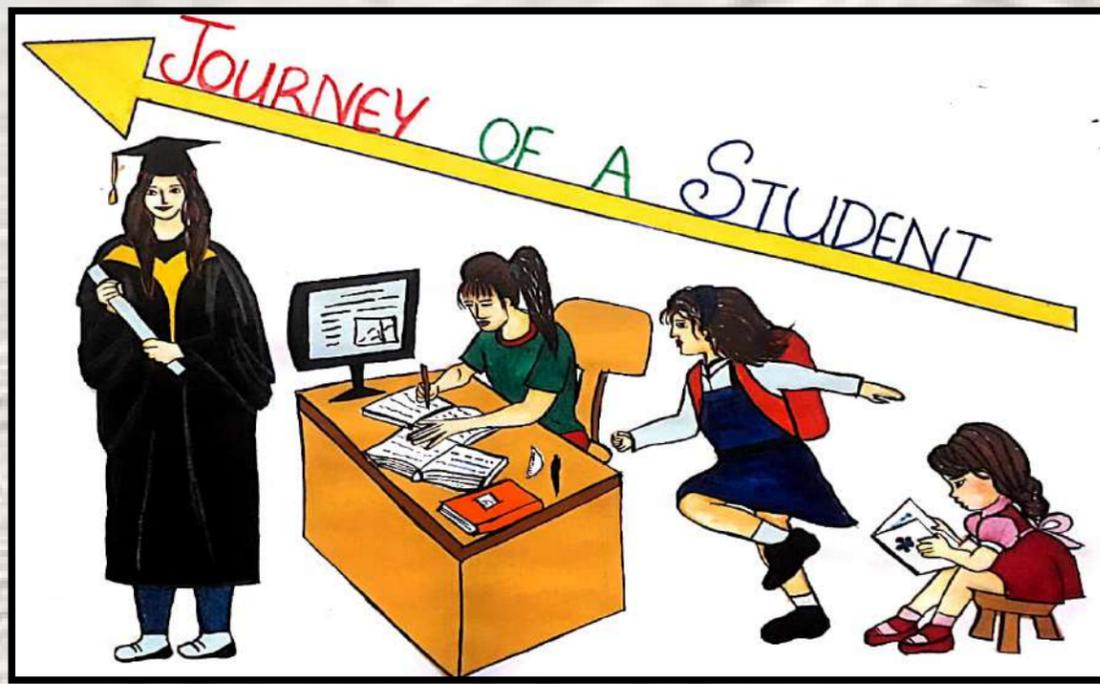
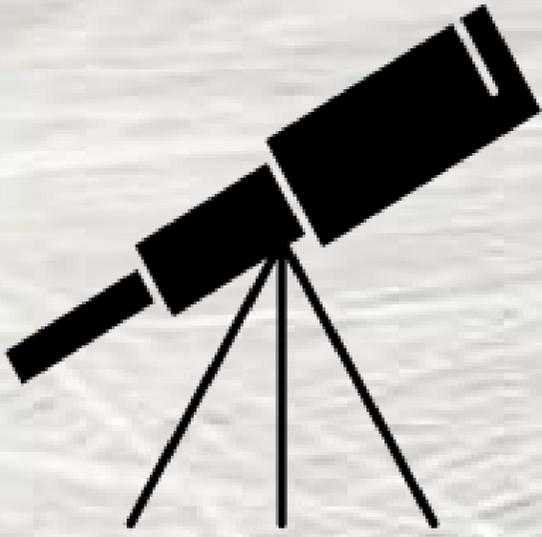


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The Literary club was formed with the aim of bringing together individuals who share similar interests, in addition to being an outlet for people to share things about their favorite shows/series/movies. In addition, this initiative also aims to gather student feedback and organize various sessions in the future that would help the students in some way.

The first session was conducted successfully on 7th October 2020 at 17:45 and lasted for an hour. It began with the introduction of the Literary team and the various events we're accountable for, throughout the year. Next, we asked the participants to introduce themselves and cite their favorite character/real-life inspiration, and the reason for the same. After enthusiastic and unique replies from all the participants, we moved on to our first planned game for the evening, 'Guess the character', in which we asked the attendees to guess some famous characters from the catchphrases we displayed on the screen. This game lasted for a while, after which we moved on to our final game of the evening, Hangman. The theme of the game was food items and after dividing the participants into a group of three people each, we made them guess each letter of the food items we decided prior.

Towards the end, we obtained feedback from the participants about the current session and their suggestions for the upcoming sessions. A number of inputs were received and we are planning to incorporate them to the best of our abilities.



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KALAM'S JOURNEY

Kalam sir,

The feeling that you are not among us anymore is heart-wrenching. Why is it always that the people that are dear to us are taken away from us? I read your autobiography, *The Wings of Fire*, in 9th grade. And the day I finished reading it, one more thing was added to my bucket list that was meeting you. But I guess now that will always be remained unchecked.

We had to learn so many things from you. About you. Why did you enter into politics? Not only did you enter but, you claimed the highest rank of the country. You were a selfless soul who taught us to love and respect every person regardless of their caste, color, religion. You might be the only politician that never brought religion in politics. I know you were a rapacious reader of *Bhagavad Gita* and the *Holy Quran*. Why didn't you teach the people of this country that *Bhagavad Gita* and the *Holy Quran* teach the same values and principles?

As much as I love and respect you, I do have some complaints. You were the recipient of the highest civilian award, the *Bharat Ratna*. You valued knowledge more than anything. Then why didn't you make it a necessary condition for every politician to be literate? Why didn't you make it a rule that every politician that promotes sexism, racism, colorism will be thrown out of the parliament? I think the country needed that.

You always said every country's future is dependent on the quality of its youth. I think the youth of our country needed a role model like you that would have instigated optimism and courage. You were the 'The Missile Man of India.' You armed the country and made sure that our country won't lose a war, and it will be able to defend itself in any circumstances but, you were also hell-bent that we would never start one.

We all dream about something, but you taught us the real meaning of it. For you, a dream wasn't something that you see in your sleep; a dream was something that won't let you sleep. You told us to have faith in ourselves and chase our dreams. Grab every opportunity. Do not give up when you fail because FAIL stands for 'first attempt in learning.'

How did you manage to stay aloof from all the materialistic things? At the beginning of your tenure as the President, you showed up at the *Rashtrapati Bhavan* with only one bag. And at the end of it, you left with that same single bag. You donated a major portion of your earnings to the charity. Your only treasure was your books. Sometimes I wonder, were you really a human being? But every time I come up with the same conclusion that you were indeed the only human being that was human enough.

So many things remained unspoken. You left with a gaping hole in everyone's chest. You just left too early...

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UNSPOKEN

Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam was a precious gem for each and every Indian. He inspired a generation by urging people to dream. He once said, "Dreams are not those that we see in our sleep, they should be the one that never let us sleep." His words, poems, and books to date continue to inspire every people irrespective of age, gender, race, etc. to DREAM.

Being successful throughout his life, he had his own struggles. In his book 'My Journey', Kalam glimpsed about his struggle in his life "My life can be summed up in these phrases and words- love poured to the child ..struggle...more struggle...bitter tears...then sweet tears... and finally life as beautiful and fulfilled as seeing the birth of the full moon."

Undoubtedly, Abdul Kalam's simplicity throughout his life has arguably inspired the younger ones. His simplicity comes from his humble beginning. He made everyone believe that success can be achieved through determination and hard work in life. A strong believer in Science, yet carrying a vast knowledge of Bhagavad Gita, Quran, and Bible. Though he was a scientist, he was amazed by the technical advancements of every field and hoped that one day India would achieve great heights in the field of science.

Missile man's contribution to the Indian civilian space program and military missile development efforts proved his ambitious and patriotic nature towards the country. His message, especially to young people to have the courage to think differently, courage to invent, to travel the unexplored path, the courage to discover the impossible, to conquer the problems and succeed will pass on to millions of students to transform their dreams into a vision

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DID YOU KNOW?

Dr Kalam once used the popular Yahoo answers platform to ask a question about terrorism. His question was, "What should we do to free our planet from terrorism?"

The winning answers were promised a tour of Silicon Valley, He recieved more than 30,000 replies to his question, even getting eminent personalities like Dr Kiran Bedi and Leander Paes to share their views.



"All of us do not have equal talent. But , all of us have an equal opportunity to develop our talents."

—A.P.J. ABDUL KALAM

AN EXTRAORDINAIRE

From a newspaper boy to The Prime Minister of India,
From a physics graduate to The Missile Man of India,
From a talented young mind to The Youth Icon of India,
You were everything that anyone could have imagine of,
You believed your dreams,
Your thoughts,
Your knowledge, and,
On most days, yourself.
Even after all the hardships,
No day of yours was ordinary.

The humbleness of yours,
Marked the heart of every Indian citizen.
Walking through your journey,
Makes me believe how extraordinary a person can be,
That there's no limitation to one's aspirations,
And, one can fly as high as they want.

Even though we haven't really met,
I know you,
I know your teachings,
I know your beliefs,
And they never fail to guide me.
Your presence is missed,
But we have you in our hearts,
You will be lived and loved forever!

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