



The Literonicles

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER — MOUNT LITERA ZEE SCHOOL, GOA.

ABOUT US:

Mount Litera Zee School is an endeavour by the Essel Group led by Shri Subhash Chandra to prepare leaders of the 21st century through its education arm, Zee Learn Limited. With over 130+ schools in more than 110 cities, Mount Litera Zee School is India's fastest growing network of K12 schools. Zee Learn Limited has its preschool network Kidzee with more than 2000+ preschools in India and is Asia's largest network of preschools.

Mount Litera Zee School, Goa is a member of the K12 Pan India chain of Mount Litera Zee Schools under the aegis of Zee Learn Limited. The Mount Litera Zee School chain has many laurels in its cap for exemplary achievements in the education sector. MLZS has a Pan India presence and a universal learning system where the divide of big and small cities is bridged as all the students study the same curricula at the same time and the same pace.

Mount Litera Zee School, Goa houses state of the art infrastructure with the latest technological knowhow for holistic growth of the students. Security is of paramount importance and Mount Litera Zee School, Goa practices I-Care, a program dedicated to child safety.

Mount Litera Zee School is an aspiration of new learning and exploration of new talent without the constraints of rote learning where understanding and clarity rules the day and mindless cramming is a thing of the past. Our students study in smart classrooms wherein technology and knowledge are blended for retention and application. Socio-emotional skills are honed through various clubs and a plethora of personality building activities make learning fun.

We believe that there is no activity more self-rewarding than service to a child. The Mount Litera Zee School, Goa founded on 30th April 2013, is a visionary attempt, to empower children to become the BUILDERS OF HUMANITY. The school aims at providing holistic development and nurturing the unique potential of every child.

Thought pollution - root cause of all ills.

It all started with a thought, be it the nuclear bomb or the tiniest penny. All of this was a manifestation of a thought, the place we are at, the lives we live or the things we do.

We all complain about the pollution around and how it is making the air harmful and lives miserable. The noisy surroundings and the scarred environment.

The pollution that lies within is the root cause of all evils. It rejects positive, clear thoughts, invites negativity, creates confusion, disrupts proper functioning, most importantly suffocates the human within.

While we stand scared of the environment pollution, a peek in will show you the cause. The human in you is dying with every polluted thought. While we need to wear a mask to protect ourselves from the pollution outside, we need to remove the many veils that we have been wearing for the longest time.

Our society promotes polluted

thoughts, if only the comment section in the various social media platform be retained as compliments, appreciations, suggestions, they would have all become a lot more positive.

Interference has increased to a really alarming level, safe are those who don't bother venturing into that social world. With so many words being introduced to the dictionary, only humanity will suffice, you need no more.

The ills of the mind give rise to the various body sickness and health issues. A healthy mind is necessary for a healthy being. Clogged up thoughts need to be cleared, let go of your guilt, regrets, the past can't be changed. Negative people are victims of their confused, distorted and regretful thoughts.

Clean mind can practice clean habits, spread good vibes, happiness and better lives. While we are searching for the solution around, we must look within.



Manifestation of a selfish, greedy, materialistic thought created this polluted world. So what else can be a better way to do away with it. Pollution of our minds, our thoughts, the criticizing approach to life needs to be changed.

Talk to yourself, realize your goals, search for a purpose in life, live and let live, it's okay if somebody did something wrong, help them out and leave it there, this whole publicizing it for the world is of no use. The simplistic approach is the most peaceful one. When things change inside you, things change around you.

"The best way out is always through."

Zia Ali Grade XII A

(Won 3rd Place at the Heartfulness Essay Event 2020 organised by Shri Ram Chandra Mission United Nations Information Centre for India and Heartfulness Education Trust.)

A Leap of Faith

"If you are to climb a mountain, you are certain to come down."

It might be difficult, but if you are able to tell yourself, that a drop in your consistency is certain you will rarely disappoint yourself.

In some sense or the other we all are climbing a mountain and no one ever really wants to give up, no one ever really wants to fall, determination is riding everyone's back. But the fact is, there is always going to be fifty percent probability of you either making it or you receiving a blow.

Be honest to yourself, make yourself understand that a fall is certain, it is a necessity for your growth, if you think it's not, I am sorry, you'll have to change your thinking. If you don't fall, you don't grow. We need to learn to be responsible for our present. We all are



humans, making mistakes is natural, if you can't stop changing your mistakes, start cherishing them, because they are definitely teaching you something.

Once you are at the peak of the mountain, you again have to come down, there is no way you can live up there for the rest of your life, a straight line even on an RCG means you are not alive.

Life is all about making that climb and if you fall, climb again until your heart gives out. Let nothing stop you. Until there is room for faith in your heart, keep making those climbs and leaps. Believe.

Jitanshu Borana Grade X A

Experience...



Being a part of the MLZS team makes me feel proud because here learning never stops no matter what the circumstances. Even amidst the crisis of the pandemic we continued to function as any other day. The true essence of being a teacher is inculcated in us by our principal, a dynamic leader. It is in MLZS that I've learnt to challenge my potentials and so far, this has been a very fulfilling experience.

Dr. Hyacintha L. Monteiro



Sandhya Venkatesh

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Dreams

You've got dreams
I've got them too
Dreams, made of fragile
And magical stardust
Dainty and easily shattered.
People come and go,
But the dreams they break
Always stay./

Star streaked, gold lines
Grab your pair of wings
Made from ashes.
Ashes of our broken dreams.
Fly high, darling
I believe you can
Cause these pebbles,
Will put you high atop
A mountain peak.

And if you fall
Which you never will;
I'll catch you,
I'll give you my pair of wings.
We're battered,
But together
We shall stand strong.

Shrutitilak A. Karkat
Grade XII A

From Principal's desk...

Dear Students,

Our dream of having our own newsletter has become a reality today. "The Literonicles" is not just a newsletter but a ray of hope in these dismal times that should remind you to keep reinventing yourselves irrespective of the situation around you.

You are the manners you have learnt, the ideals you believe in, the discipline that is inculcated in you. Use it for betterment of yourself and the people around you. I am delighted that my students came forth enthusiastically with their contributions for this newsletter.

Let us continue to be a part of this progress and always remember there is immense potential within each one of you. It's just a fire that you have to ignite. We at school will always provide you'll with opportunities. Be a part, let's make this world a little brighter.

Be safer, be happier !!!

Co-ordinator's Message

Working in this marvelous institution right from inception, the only objective I have experienced so far is the awakening that takes place every single day of how uniquely each student is designed to take up the challenges in life.

Taking them through an array of activities, events, competitions and introducing them through the joys of learning, which further become, new paths intended to fulfill the endeavours of this great school. At this time when inner struggles are an unavoidable part of our life, launching this added feature is a healthy approach to nurture the relationships making valuable connections with one another. From the tons of goals we have, this newsletter will help to bring to the spotlight true talents, encouraging more and more students to realize their potential.

So, why fit in when you were born to stand out? Let's dive in and use this opportunity to display our creative side and reinforce the values taught to us, to distinguish from others.

Genoveva Perpetua Lopes, Co-ordinator



Earth the beautiful planet that we reside on, is filled with many enchanting creatures. Many in types, many overpopulated, many on the verge of extinction, and many which are already extinct. Have we ever realised that the root cause for the depletion of these creatures is us?

Yes we have, long ago!

And how have we helped in finding a solution? By simply making charts, carrying out awareness programs in air conditioned rooms and writing slogans with expensive coloured pens. Dear readers, it's not just about making charts and slogans, but practically implementing a solution that will actually make a change in the surroundings. People should get a pinch about the situation and the problem they are causing.

Before I proceed to my point, I would like to make it clear that I do not want to hurt anybody's sentiments or feelings. This topic is very general towards the existing problems our planet is facing and how we can help on a small scale.

Not so fun fact, every year tree loping (popularly known as deforestation) leads to the death of more than 87 million animals.

Another one, every year 77 billion land animals unintentionally sacrifice themselves in-order to reach our plates. Can you imagine, we are carrying out so much of bloodshed just for 15 minutes of taste gratification! We have laws for animal cruelty, that's 5 years jail and

75,000 INR fine. But, animal slaughter is exempted from this law. Don't you think we are being partial to which animal should feel pain and which should not?!

I understand, it is difficult to suddenly change our eating habits, but I am not telling anyone to forcibly stop meat. My point is to decrease the frequency of animal slaughter. We are artificially producing, and killing them at the same time. How inhuman can we be?!

It is not about ethics, but it is simply about being sensitive towards the pain of every living organism. For several years we have fought for different kinds of rights, but it is for our fellow humans. Just because animals can't communicate to us and express what they feel does not mean we have the authority to take away their basic right, right to live!

Lastly, I believe in doing what I preach. I was a born non-vegetarian, until my conscience helped me realise that what I was doing was extremely wrong. I was depriving something of its natural lifespan. So it's been a year since I have switched to plants! If I can carry out this change so can you. So, dear readers, help in the best way you can, to stop causing so much of torture and pain towards these animals. Try and be compassionate.... Thank you!!

Shruti Heblekar Grade XII A



A Wonderful Mother

God made a wonderful mother,
A mother who never grows old.
He made her smile of sunshine,
And he moulded her heart of pure gold.
In her eyes he placed bright shining stars,
On her cheeks, fair roses you see.
God made that wonderful mother
And gave that dear Mother to me.
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!
Ananya Agarwal Grade VII C



*I'd say yes rather,
But there is a problem with my mask
Do I have to tie it criss cross or not
Which is better? You may ask
The riverside gives us relief from the hot,
The mighty river is old
Its water and wind are cold.
Along the wet mud of the riverside we walk
Me behind and my father at the lead
Along the long way we talk
About the wriggling millipedes and centipedes
Lying along the road
Nearby in the long grass, we could see a toad
We could see it jumping
And delightfully croaking
In the muddy water
And the insects thought themselves as the lamb in the slaughter.*

Ashvik Bamejee Grade VI A

Achievement



Nicolay Petrichenko, student of class XI, participated in Fashion Model India and became the finalist. In April, he was invited to be a part of 'The City High Life Magazine' fashion designer show 2021 to walk the ramp. He said it was a nice experience for him overcoming stage fright and fear of interviews, meeting new people from different states of India. Overall, he enjoyed it very much.



My Toys...

*I have a lot of toys,
To play every day,
I keep them neatly
on the shelf after I play.*

*My favourite toy is my doll,
and Jenny is her name.
I give her a bath
and dress her up,
With different dresses
every day.*

*I like to play with cars and ball,
Puzzles and all.
But I don't like that
'Perfection game'
It scares me a lot.*

*I keep my toys safe in my room,
As I fear that they might break.
I love my toys
and I need them all,
To make me happy every day.*

*Stella Merika Fernandes
Grade I C.*

If only there were words to express the profound uneasiness of students and teachers during an online class. An online class, Ha! Two years ago, the online and offline school would sound improbable and bizarre. So how do you make it to the end of the day with your schedule, one that you've been following for most of your life, all disrupted? Try new things they said, well I must have tried and given up a gazillion new things. Give yourself a target they said, so I started shooting arrows (literally). Spend time with nature, they said, I did. I can now plant and raise Okra, cucumber, chilli, tomato and a dozen of other unknown vegetables. They said play a sport, I did. Badminton, cycling, archery, basketball, mind tennis, cricket, running, catch-catch, frisbee, catch and cook with the dog, etc. They said learn a new language, I did. Duolingo even congratulated me on my two week streak in Spanish and French. Learn a programming language, they said. I can program in basic Java and I enrolled myself for Python (High time I finish it).

Learn to paint and draw they said, I did. I learnt the basics of sketching and shading and I dabbled paint on my dad's canvases (He wasn't exactly very hap-

py). Do a course they said, I did. The dynamics of writing skills on Coursera (was very constructive). Learn to cook,



they said, I did. I can now make pizza from scratch, bake brownies, cookies and a cake, all without burning the house down. And yes, they were edible. Learn to play an instrument they said, I did not. Listening to somebody play an instrument is as close as I should get to one, for the instrument's safety and the well-being of your ears.

Read a book they said, well that one I did and I still do, every night before sleeping. As a matter of fact, I've put in those writing skills I learnt at the course and my love for reading at work, I started writing book and character reviews. Dance, they said. So I did, I'm always better when I'm dancing. Watch some series and movies they said, I did. I am very well versed with the dialogues of 'The Crown', 'F.R.I.E.N.D.S', 'Gilmore girls', 'Anne with an B' and several

movies too. I can never have enough of drama and popcorn. I spent Sundays watching national geographic, WW2 documentaries and David Attenborough's 'Our Planet' with my parents.

Of course, there was homework and academics to help me fill my time. Throughout the pandemic, habits and hobbies came and went. But Math, Science, SST, Hindi, Computer and English were always, always there for me. It took several months but I got adjusted to the routine of changing a skill, ambition and habit every week. The pandemic stole so much from so many people around the globe. From me, it stole time, time I'd rather spend at school. Unlike many others, I got the chance to steal something from the pandemic too. My batchmates and I got the glorious chance of returning to physical school. Though we got only 45 days, it was enough to remind us of the wonderful life we had before this pandemic and the wonderful life we are going to have after this pandemic. It has been a hike, but we survived, didn't we? We are in this together and each one of us is going to come out a hero!

Jalini Sawarwal Grade X

Travelogue : "One Day - Fun Day"

In 2017, during my summer vacation I went to my grandparent's house in my home town in Nasik, Maharashtra. All my cousin brothers and sisters were gathered at my grandparent's house with the sole objective of enjoying the summer vacation. We all played indoor and outdoor games and had a lot of fun. My grandparents had a surprise for all of us and that was a day out at the water park.

A water-park is always very close to the heart of a "Bachcha Party". We were all thoroughly excited. Next day, along with grandparents, we all went to the water-park. There we got swimming costumes and food coupons along with the tickets we purchased. We changed and immediately jumped into the pool. We started enjoying all the rides. Most exciting part of the Shubham Water-Park was the "Dragon Ride". As soon as the ride started one of my cousin sister

immersed into the terrible waves of the Dragon ride. Our hearts stopped a beat and we all panicked. But thanks to almighty God nothing went wrong. My brother and I, held her hands and pulled her safely out of the water. We all were relaxed and happy to see that she was safe and secure. We forgot that bad incident, and started enjoying and dancing to the music played during the different water rides.

After the rides we had some scrumptious snacks and a delicious lunch.

The lesson we learnt was to be very careful, take prompt actions, be in a group and always help each other. It was the most memorable and exciting trip I ever had. I was thankful to my grandparents for arranging such a wonderful trip. Here I am sharing some pictures of our memorable trip to the water-park...

Shantanu Vikas Sawarwal X A



Sweet Rains...

Rain, rain beautiful rain coming down as tiny droplets. Making everyone happy, giving everyone happiness. When everyone is sad, you make them happy. When everyone is bored, you let them jump with joy.

Lovely, lovely tiny droplets. Beautiful, beautiful tiny droplets.

You are our life, you wake the flowers who are always sleeping. Without you we could not live. If we have no water, we would all die. If we have no water the plants could not grow. If the plants die, then how can we survive? If we have no water then we cannot cook food nothing cool to drink in summer season.

You are our life, you are our happiness. Rain, rain beautiful rain you go away by taking all the sadness.

Don't waste water, if there is no water, then there will be nothing left on this earth. Save water, Save earth

Sauri Dash Grade IV C

Art Gallery



Yashvi Vats VC



Vaidurvi Nuyak VB



Isha Patekar VC



Myra Singh IA

“School Reports”

Mothers Day Celebration

“A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take.”
-Anna Sidhan and Jack

Mother's day is a special day, for all children and mothers as, it celebrates the bond of love and affection that is everlasting. Mothers are the emotional backbone of the family, who have the magic touch to heal all wounds and make all things beautiful. In accordance, Mount Litera Zee School Goa, organised an online Mother's day program. The event was held on 09th of May 2021, as mothers were specially invited to spend a memorable evening filled with activities and fun.

The program was hosted by Ms Hyacinta Monteiro and Ms Vanda Figueiredo. Parents were entertained with an enthusiastic welcome dance performed by the school dance teacher Mr Pritesh Daddayyaver.

The event commenced with the Principal's address wherein the School Principal Ms. Sandhya Venkatesh welcomed the special guests of the evening, the lovely mothers. Our zealous mothers along with their wards came for-



ward and showcased their talents by sharing some lip-smacking fireless cooking recipes, mesmerizing craftwork and topped up with graceful dance performances. The program was concluded with the vote of thanks.



All in all it was an enjoyable and memorable evening for each and everyone which left an indelible mark on the innocent hearts.



Handwriting Competition

A handwriting competition was organized on 23rd & 24th April 2021 for the students of Grades I to XII. The objective of this competition was to encourage students to improve their calligraphy and overall writing skills. Another objective of the contest was to provide students with an opportunity to display their competency of legible writing.

The response of the students was very encouraging. Majority of the students put in their best foot forward to enhance their writing skills.

The criterion to judge the contestants were as follows:
1) Good handwriting 2) Accurate script 3) Correct spelling and speech marks 4) Overall presentation.

Parent Orientation 2021-22

“Education is a shared commitment between dedicated teachers, motivated students and enthusiastic parents with high expectations. The orientation programme for the parents for new academic year 2021-2022 was organized on 12th March 2021, 30th March 2021 and 31st March 2021 for nursery to grade XII over the Zoom meeting app. The event was scheduled class wise and timings were allotted in advance.

Power point presentation was made to brief the parents about the rules and regulations of the school, an overview of the various subjects and the activities which would be undertaken in the year ahead. The co-scholastic activities were

also discussed to make the parents aware about the curriculum which is self-directed with hands-on learning activities that not only give the students a medium to fully utilize their creative talents, ideas and energies, but also help them in their all-round development.

Welcoming parents to the new academic session, Ms. Sandhya Venkatesh, Principal, MLZS Goa spoke at length about the benefits of effective communication between parents and teachers. She even sought support and suggestions from the parents to provide best education and growth opportunities to the children of the school, and shared few tips on good parenting during this

pandemic scorched era. Moving further, she also spoke in detail about different ways of catering the requirements of a child with utmost love and discipline when the drawing room / bed room become their classroom and the electronic gadgets took over the outlook of a teacher for a better future.

Programme proved to be a sincere effort made by the school in educating the parents to look after and guide their children in a proper manner. It also helped the parents to identify the teaching strategies and to help them to choose the effective method to reinforce the learning process of their children.

Yellow Day... create your own sunshine

“Yellow is the perceived colour of sunshine. It is associated with joy, happiness, intellect, and energy.”

-Marcia Moses

Early identification of colours helps to create a sense of connection between visual clues and words which is an important part of a child's holistic development. One of the main objective to help in reinforcing the knowledge of yellow colour, Pre-Primary section of Mount Litera Zee school, Goa celebrated 'Yellow Day' on April 23rd, virtually. The children were dressed beautifully in different hues and tints of yellow to mark this day. They were not only beautifully dressed but also went a step further and displayed their favourite yellow objects. The teachers started the program by introducing the colour and linked it to the topics included in the Pre-Primary curriculum, followed by a

rhyme and a video on the colour yellow.

We then had a Powerpoint presentation of things that are naturally yellow in colour. They were displayed on screen and were explained. After displaying the pictures, the students and their parents were guided step by step on how to draw colour and outline, a chick as part of the activity. Instructions were given along with live demonstration.

The parents guided their children very well and all of them were successful in completing the activity. The students thoroughly enjoyed colouring the bird. The day ends well with a short recapulation on the event. Children had an amazing learning experience with utmost joy.

Special Assembly April 2021

'The World Heritage Day' special assembly was held on 19th April, 2021 via the Zoom platform by class X A



Students of class XII A & B conducted a special assembly on the topic 'World Heritage Day' on 10th April 2021.



Students of class XII C & D conducted a special assembly on the topic 'Dr. Ambedkar Jayanti' on 15th April 2021.

Students of class IX A conducted a special assembly on the topic 'International Labour Day' on 30th April 2021.



Class XII A students, over the zoom app, conducted a special assembly on 'World



Dance Day' on 29th April 2021.



Students of class X B conducted a special assembly on the topic 'World Earth Day' on 22nd April, 2021 via the Zoom platform.

“It takes a big heart to help”

Mount Litera Zee School, Goa had its first Pre-Primary PTM on 17th April 2021. Keeping in mind the school protocols and the current pandemic scenario, the school has taken great care and precautions to make this meeting a successful one. The PTM was conducted at its regular timing with given instructions on social distancing and sanitizing. The Pre-Primary section witnessed around 85% attendance. The school experienced an enthusiastic interest among parents to help discuss their ward's performance and devise ways to enrich their learning experience. Parents were encouraged to supervise, guide and support their ward's progress and to help cope with the challenges amidst the ongoing pandemic to get the desired outcome.