



know your prefects

Priya Lakshona in conversation with the Sports Captains Pg. 3

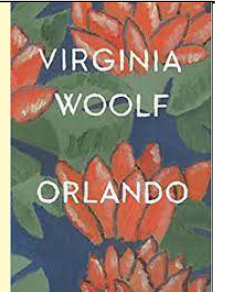


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THIS WEEK'S
THE
READLIST

Featuring:
The Exodus by Leon Uris
Orlando by Virginia Woolf
The Bell Jar by Sylvia Plath
The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo by
Taylor J Reid



VIRGINIA
WOOLF

ORLANDO

1 IN

CORRECT COMPLETE

-Srishti Bajaj, X

History, being a compulsory subject for all boards in India till class 10, covers most of India's political and social past in its course. However, there is no doubt that most history across the world is written by the hand of the victor. World War Two is perhaps the best example of this where the British and Americans have been glorified all the way.

As for Indian history, it is important to understand that the past cannot be undone. Hence, all that has happened during a particular period of time and have definitive sources must be included in the books-irrespective of whether or not it looks good in today's context. Our books have made history solely about eulogising past events or heroes when it should really be about understanding why something that irks us today happened in that period. The rule of Tipu Sultan the great ruler of Mysore remains contested for while on one hand he is the hero of the battle of Seringapatam despite a British victory, he is also looked upon as a religious bigot who was anything but tolerant as he has been portrayed. Thus, it is important for history to be recorded in an unbiased and objective manner. We must include events that as they have transpired and allow people a balanced understanding of it.

There are so many missing links in the history of India.

Unless one comes from the Northeast, chances are low that one may have ever heard of the Ahom kings who ruled for nearly six centuries and even defeated the Mughals. This imbalance is absurd and needs correction. Also, why is Indian history only about wars and conquests and the glorification of emperors?

The extraordinary history of Indian science is absolutely ignored. There is more than adequate evidence that ancient Indians made great advances in medicine, metallurgy, mathematics and so on. Why are these important parts of Indian history deliberately downplayed?

On the other hand, there is so much in Indian history that has been glorified on the basis of very thin evidence. Emperor Ashoka is much revered for having turned into a pacifist after the Kalinga War. However, even after his supposed conversion, texts like Ashokavadana clearly mention him ordering massacres of people of other religions. Even the regret over the Kalinga War is not very obvious or certain as none of the inscriptions in Odisha veritably mention it.

If one side of the story is glorified, then the other side should be allowed criticism. Indian students need to be told both about the good and the bad, lest we fall victim to the tired platitude of 'History repeats itself.'

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AVE, represented by Priashi Khakolia and Anushka Jitani from class IX, had the opportunity to sit down with the active Sports Captain of the school, the Boys' Captain, Tikham Natung, and the Girls' Captain, Leiki Choden who gave us an insight into what drives them to lead the school in the sports vertical.

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(L-R): Tikham Natung, Leiki Choden

AVE: How do you prepare for a big game? Do you imagine yourself winning before playing?

LC: I meditate to mentally prepare myself. Of course, I do imagine myself winning. I think all athletes must do that before playing.

TN: I like to take a shower and take it slow to calm myself down before a big game.

AVE: How would your colleagues and teammates describe you?

LC: I think I come across as assertive, and may be described as passionate and aggressive.

TN: Simply describe me as "Captain Cool".

AVE: What drives you during a competition/competitive game?

LC: The motivation from my team and from my desire to win keeps me going in a game.

TN: Imagining myself as a winner and not wanting to let my team down drives me during a game.

AVE: How does being an athlete make you a better person?

LC: Being an athlete helps us build our mental strength. It teaches us discipline, punctuality, dedication towards our sport, hard work, determination, and most importantly sportsmanship, which is what we want to instill in every Aviator.

AVE: What's the funniest thing that's happened to you in the field?

LC: I still remember this one soccer match. It was supposed to be a really serious match when my boots came off when I prepared to shoot a penalty and everybody on the field burst into laughter.

SPORTS

CAPTAINS



Arman A Imdad, Horse Riding



Pema Chhoedron Khrieme and Subha Paul, Volleyball



Baibhav Sharma, Taekwondo



Daiyan Alam and Alda Nongmeikapam, Basketball



Tenzin Thungon and Lavanya Jindal, Squash



Charmak Bagang and Parakh Pratim Saikia, Badminton



Aryaman Bajaj, Tennis

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HARBINGER OF A GOOD HARVEST



On Wednesday, the 106th Infantry Brigade of the Dogra, Sikh, and Jat regiments, stationed at Phulbari, commanded by Brigadier N. R. Singh, presented a traditional display of the Sikh harvest dance, the Bhangra, as well as a performance by their marching band. The Chief Guests for the evening were the three Commanding Officers of the regiments. The officers of the regiment and their wives also graced the occasion. The dancers looked absolutely resplendent in their traditional attire and their celebratory pagris. The marching band was in their crisp white uniforms, and was brought to life by the bagpipers' section. The rhythmic beats of the drummers instilled in us renewed pride for our armed forces. The performances by the army left the audience in awe, and got them an extremely well-deserved standing ovation.

SCIENCE FEST



On the 28th of February 2022, on the occasion of the National Science Day, the Department of Science of AVS organized various small games and activities in the basketball court for students of all age groups. There were various quizzes on plants, scientists and on the periodic table. The Headmaster also inaugurated the smokeless energy efficient chula and gifted it to a utility worker. Altogether, it was a fun afternoon with students participating in various events and contending for chocolates.

Most of AVS's SESSA community uses chulhas, to save cost of LPG. To help provide them with a clean and smokeless cooking area, A Smokeless Energy Efficient Chulha was developed as a collaborative project by the Science Club and SSL of AVS. The plan is to provide one unit to each family at SEESA. Headmaster Dr Vidhukesh Vimal inaugurated this donation drive by handing over the first Chulha to our gardener Bogi Bhaiya.

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HINDI KAVITA PAATH FOR LOWER SCHOOL

The Hindi Kavita Panth for Lower School was held on the 5th of March and the following students emerged winners. Our congratulations to them for their wonderful performance.

Class-5

KHYAATI BORAH- 1st
NISHIKA PATODIA- 2nd
AANA VI GHOSH- 3rd

Class-6

SHABAHAT SABIR ANSARI- 1st
ADRIKA DEY-2nd
DELISHA MODGIL-3rd

Class-7

JIVITESH AGARWALA-1st
SOHAM AGARWAL- 2nd
HARSH VARDHAN SIKARIA-3rd

Class-8

AHONA CHOWDHURY- 1st
ADITYA AGARWAL- 2nd
SHIRIN JAISWAL- 3rd

ELOCUTION COMPETITION FOR LOWER SCHOOL

The English Elocution for Lower School was held on the 8th of March and the following students emerged winners. Our congratulations to them for their wonderful performance.

CLASS 5

NAYANIKA BORAH- 1st
RUDRAKSHI BHARADWAJ- 2nd
AANA VI GHOSH- 3rd

CLASS 6

SHABAHAT SABIR ANSARI- 1st
PRADANYA KASHYAP- 2nd
NIHARIKA GOSWAMI- 3rd

CLASS 7

URVASHI BORAH- 1st
PRIYANI SHARMA- 2nd
KJUSHI TODI- 3rd

CLASS 8

AANYA PAUL SARKAR- 1st
NATASHA BILLIMORIA- 1st
VANIA SINGH- 2nd
PRATHAM HAWELIA- 3rd

12s V/S REST

A series of sports matches were held between the outgoing class 12s and the rest of the school. It was kicked off by the 12 vs. Rest Football Match. After an equally-matched and nail-biting match, the school team won by penalty shootout.

The 12 vs. Rest Cricket Match saw the best of the students playing the Gentleman's game, which was finally won by the 12s team.

The Volleyball Match saw great passion among both the players and the spectators. Both The Boys' and the Girls' Match was won by the School Teams.

INSCIGNIS

Inscignis, organized by the Tezpur Central University is a mega science event held on the occasion of National Science Day on the 28th of February. The Assam Valley School like each year participated in various competitions and have brought laurels to the school. Results are as follows:

1. Naman Tibrewal - 3rd prize in Chem-mystry
2. Akanksha Kumar- 1st in Periodica
3. Krishna Agarwal - 2nd in periodica
4. Shreyan Dutta and Naman Tiberewal - 1st in Biobonanza (category-A)
5. Chinmoye Tamuli and Fareeha Ambrene- 1st in Bio-bonanza (category-B)
6. Nihal Agarwal and Neil Kashyap- 1st in Taboo (category-A)

Campus
Caricature

ONE LAST
PICTURE

-Ssara Jha, X



Ripple #180

-Adella Massar, XI

*You're a fiery flame in
the dead of night, in the
midst of the darkness,
burning bright, you're a
sweet oasis in the desert
bland, you're a beautiful
rose amongst many a
thorn, a sign of hope
when I'm most forlorn.*

The Readlist

Grab a cup of coffee and immerse yourself in the world of music, here is a list of some of our artiste suggestions:

THE EXODUS BY LEON URIS:
Although classified as historical fiction, it is as real as it gets as it describes the rebirth of the state of Israel, a nation that had been dispersed for 2000 years.

ORLANDO BY VIRGINIA WOOLF:
Spanning three centuries, two genders and eons of space and time, Orlando is a classic that throws light upon gender norms and feminism of that era.

THE BELL JAR BY SYLVIA PLATH:
A classic that explores the psyche of what is often labelled insane with splashes of bleak truths and wryly dark humour.

THE SEVEN HUSBANDS OF EVELYN HUGO BY TAYLOR REID:
A romantic fiction set in late 20th century featuring a ruthlessly ambitious female protagonist who falls in the trope of forbidden love.

Keep It Reel!

Circles

-Mahita Jindal, XI



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