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The golden glow of lights is cloaked in nostalgia and youth,
Illuminating founders' in a haze of aching limbs and laughter.
The nights melt into the stories that are written
Of fluorescent memories and careless laughter.

-Emidaka Rapsang, Editor-In-Chief

THE CREATION OF ART

-Deubale Meru, Deputy Editor, XII

There is activity in every corner, whispered words of excitement as 'the day' draws closer. There is a constant hum to the music halls, as voices rise in songs and the drums beat and the strings and the flutes create music that never ceases. Countless canvases are painted and the colours speak to those who can understand the beauty of each stroke. Footsteps echo in the dance halls, as dancers tirelessly perform their art. Actors make the stage theirs, pouring life onto a scene even as the hours fly by. The sports field is always lit.

There is the fervour in the air as students practice to perfect their sport. Each room is bursting with ideas and action. Each room is overflowing with charts and heads bent in concentration. In each room we catch glimpses of tired, but happy souls hard at work.

The road is no longer silent after the fabled hour of 5:30 p.m. The air hums with excitement and it begs for us to admire the mess, to pause and marvel at the countless creations made over endless hours of work. In this chaos, we can catch a glimpse of hope, of love. In this, we create. It is founders' once again.



PRODUCTIONS



WHAT WILL BE GRACING
THE WMH STAGE
THIS YEAR?

Sound Of Motown

-Atoti Zhimomi, XI

Gupi Gayon, Bagha Bayon

-Aanya Paul Sarkar, X

This year's Founders' will feature a musical, something AVS hasn't seen on the WMH stage in quite some time. Ingeniously modified to be set in 1959 Detroit, "The Sound of Motown" is a remake of the beloved 1965 film, "The Sound of Music." It has been adapted to follow the story of Marie who becomes a governess of the 7 Van Travis children, bringing a new love of life and music into the home of the ever-stoic businessman Mr. Van Travis, all while the family becomes entangled with mobsters with vicious plans.

Under the direction of Mr. Kushal Deka, the Assamese department will be presenting the much loved play- 'Gupi gayon, Bagha bayon' a rendition of Satyajit Ray's famous- 'Gupi Gain, Bagha Bain'. The play is promised to get a chuckle out of the audience and has the perfect balance of drama, fantasy and humour.



Andher Nagri Chamatkari Guru

-Tanveer Ahmed, X

This year the Hindi Department is showcasing a play for Founders'. It is an open-air theatre that will enact the story of a king who is always hesitant and procrastinating when it comes to making decisions. We can assure you that this production will be something to look forward to.



Dance: The Incredible India

-Diksha Baruah, Cultural Captain, XII

The theme for Founders' Dance Production is "BHARAT ANOKHA RAAG HAI. THE INCREDIBLE INDIA". The AVS Dance School is showcasing the colour of culture for this year's Founders'. The diverse dance styles from across the nation including Bharatnatyam, Kathak, Odissi, Manipuri, Bodo and Bihu among others will be presented.



WESTERN and INDIAN CHOIR

-Neilginryan Das, X

The AVS Music Department will be putting on a number of performances for Founders' this year. The performances include fusion choir, western choir, Indian choir, Western band, and Indian band. There will be a variety of musical styles featured in the concerts, making them definitely worth watching.



Western Dance

-Neilginryan Das, X

The AVS Dance School will be showcasing a variety of performances for Founders' this year. Ranging from salsa's rhythmic tapping to relaxing, mellow jazz. The dances will also feature amazing costumes, adding to the entire experience. Headed by Ma'am Vinita Watts, the dances this year promise interesting dance routines and choerographies. The dances will undoubtedly be something to watch out for.



EXHIBITIONS

WHAT TO CHECK OUT!

ART

-Lairingdi Thaoson, XII

The Art Department is looking forward to taking everyone through a world full of colours, emotions and creativity. Keeping the theme closely related to fantasy and borrowing ideas from contemporary art styles like pop art and surrealism, each piece by the Art Department is a window into the artist's soul, offering a glimpse into their thoughts, dreams, and passions. The artists aim to create a realm of boundless imagination and emotion.



CDT

-Jigme Pao Tamang, XI

This year, CDT, after exploring various design techniques in different mediums, will exhibit exquisite works of pottery, intricate woodcrafts and string art. They shall also present works of glass fusion, a feature that is completely new to The Assam Valley School.



PHOTOGRAPHY

-Hemanshi Malik, XII

Photography is a window into the unseen, a soul rejuvenator. The Photographic Society of AVS focuses not only on the basics, but also on introducing and exploring the artistic magnificence that lies in the little things that make life worthwhile. At Founders' this year, the Society will exhibit its collection of photographs taken during its many trips to Spiti Valley, South India, Tipi Valley and Tenga Valley.



MEDIA CENTRE

The AVS Media this year promises to bring out yet another excellent edition of the AVS documentary that looked at school life across the year as it was.

SLOOH ASTRONOMY

-*Rianna Irom, IX*

For this Founders', the students of the AVS Astronomy Club have been assigned different subtopics. They have been tasked with finding pictures for their assigned topic and creating a visual exhibition of the cosmos in the Physics Lab. We look forward to the pictorial representations of nebulas and supernovas!



AEROMODELLING

-*Jigme Pao Tamang, XI*

The Aeromodelling exhibition will present static aero-models built using Balsa wood, along with remote controlled and non-remote controlled aero-models which shall be flown on the café lawn. The non-RC models will be set to flight with rubber bands to display flight without an engine and various principles of aerodynamics.



SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE

-*Samarth Mahatta, SSL Captain, XII*

The AVS Social Service League this Founders' will showcase the various projects that they have undertaken during the year. Their photographic presentation will trace their journey and bring forth the strength of human resilience and fortitude. They will display their experience in the field of social work, contributions to the needy and their everlasting desire towards community service through the use of video presentations, live demonstrations and charts.



EVERYDAY SCIENCE

-Aanya Paul Sarkar, X

The Chemistry Department's innovative exhibition 'Everyday Science' will not disappoint with original and clever creations that can be used on a daily basis. The students will make paper soaps and soap bars for everyday use as well as body-wash. They will also make flower pots using waste paper as an ode to the importance of recycling. To add to this, they will be making paper and will be reusing waste paper to make pencil stands.



HANDMADE CARDS

-Jikke Una, XI

'Handmade with love' is the motto of the Hand-Made Card Exhibit for Founders' 2023. This activity provides comfort and a pathway to students for expressing their creativity in the form of complex folded paper resulting in beautiful and unique cards which will be available for sale. It provides to be a hit with students and parents alike.



TECHSMITH

-Jigme Pao Tamang, XI

Tech-smith will be dabbling in all things tech related: they shall design games with Scratch and Unity, quizzing software with Visual Basic, and create 3D models and animations with Blender. They will also make an extremely ambitious model of The Assam Valley School within the world of Minecraft.



SUNNYSIDE

-Atoti Zhimomi, XI

The children of Sunnyside will be doing various presentations and exhibitions based on the importance of the three R's: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Their works will show the significance of recycling, reusing and reducing waste in our rapidly deteriorating environment. We can also anticipate a wonderful little dance to be presented by them.



ROBOTICS

-Tanveer Ahmed, X

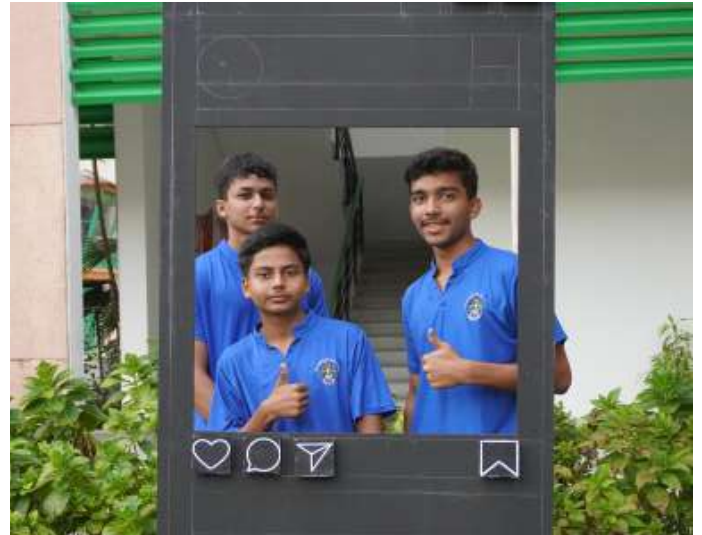
This year, for Founders', the Robotics Society of AVS is presenting an awe-inspiring exhibition which will star an infrared detecting robot, object following robot and various other projects which have all been made by the students. The exhibition will show a one month-certified course undertaken by the students.



BUSINESS IDEA

-Siddi Priyadarshan, IX

Founders' Business Ideas this year has an incredible lineup of services to offer, including photobooths, custom T-shirts, and more. With Mr. Devesh Prajapati in charge, we can definitely be confident that this impressive set will definitely grab attention. With professional photographs ready to go, there's no question that this event will be a visual treat.



SUBJECTS

BRINGING A WHOLE NEW
IDEA TO LEARNING!

BIOLOGY

-Aanya Paul Sarkar, X

The theme for the Biology exhibition is 'Life as it is' where life will be showcased in its various forms. The exhibition will focus on D.N.A. and genetics as well as the environment. Furthermore, they will be concentrating on the Biogeochemical cycle and on building an eco-friendly city. They will also be doing experiments on Photosynthesis.



HISTORY

-Rianna Irom, IX

The students participating in the History Exhibition have been assigned to research the freedom fighters of North-East India. They've been tasked with writing autobiographies on these figures and presenting them in first-person. This exhibition presents the opportunity to dive deeper into a history that is scarcely discussed.



GEOGRAPHY

-Tanveer Ahmed, X

This Founders', the Geography Department is presenting a wonderful and informative exhibition on 'Climate Change'. The project has been guided by Ma'am Rituparna, Ma'am Pamela and Ma'am Sukalpa. They, along with their group of students, will throw light on the causes, impacts of climate change and on how to mitigate the harmful effects of climate change.



MATHS

-Zaheen Rafia Shah, X

This time the Maths Department is putting together a display of figures both mathematical and geometrical. Starting from tessellations to origami along with fun brain-stimulating handmade puzzles and games- it will be an exhibition of vibrant colours and silhouettes. On top of that, there will be a room with a maze that can be solved using logic.



ENGLISH

-Rianna Irom, IX

The English Exhibition delves into the exciting realm of Harry Potter where the students will explore the world of the fantastical story. Along with a promise of butterbeer, the students plan on dressing up as characters. Other than the theme of the Chosen One, the exhibition also provides a French to English translation piece as well as a few grammatical displays.



SOCIOLOGY

-Atoti Zhimomi, XI

The Tribal groups of the North-East and their extraordinarily rich cultures are the focus of this year's Founders' Sociology exhibit. There will be displays of various outfits, jewellery, folk instruments, and charts. There will be artefacts from many tribal cultures on display for everyone to take in.



COMMERCE

-Jigme Pao Tamang, XI

The Commerce department shall be presenting ACE: The Commerce City. ACE (for excellence, as well as Accounts Commerce and Economics) shall be divided into sectors which will, through models, display tax collection from the different sectors and their utilisation for development; and the working of the share market, along with explanations of the types of shares and the concept of portfolios.



TEDx

-Zaheen Rafia Shah, X

The Assam Valley School Youth



The 1st edition of TedX - The Assam Valley School Youth held the first edition of TedX on the 20th of October, 2023 at the Williamson Magor Hall. With the theme “Thriving through challenges”, the first chapter saw nine speakers speak on variety of topics.

Mr. Aman Baldia, the CEO of ‘Gyansthan’ spoke about the journey of a leader. Hiya Keshan, an aviator and author of the book “Feel or Fall” talked about all the complexities that come with being a teenager.

Ms. Usha Venkatraman, a renowned storyteller, spoke about the art of merging science with fictional stories and using stories to empower people.

Mr. Deep Nagal, an entrepreneur and philanthropist, talked about the art of leveraging people with technology. He also brought up the term “Omotenashi”, which in Japanese means to keep up with the momentum, identify one’s skill set and understand where one is, on the learning curve.

Dr. Vasavi Achariya, founder of Tender Petals- spoke about girl power. Dr. Sarita Sharma, connected with the audience on mental health and the increasing need of it in our daily lives.

Mrs. Priyankoo Kashyap Das, from the AVS Department of Commerce spoke on the “Green Lions” of her life who were her students and the trials of dealing with teens everyday.

Anushka Jitani, of Class 11 spoke about her inability to sit still and her need to stay occupied.

Ms. Debolina C. Bakshi, of the AVS Department of English, spoke about the world of Harry Potter and it’s relevance to the world around us. The event was extremely successful. The recordings of the event will be available on the official TedX page.



ALL ASSAM SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIP

Results at a glance:

Boys' Category:

U-11:

Tame Rikham, Class 5 secured 3rd position

U-13:

1st position secured by Archan Bhailung, Class 8

2nd position secured by Darsheel Kalita, Class 5

U-15

Adhyan Pareek secured 1st position, Class 9

Benjamin MacDonald, Class 8 secured 2nd position

U-17

Aarnav Dutta, Class 11 secured 2nd position

Kritartha Kaushik, Class 11 secured 3rd position

Girls category

U-11

Aaradhya Eon Baruah, Class 5 secured 3rd position

U-15

Adrika Dey, Class 8 secured second position

Niharika Goswami, Class 8 secured 3rd position

U-19

Alphonsa Elishaba Pakyantain, Class 10 secured 3rd position

Heartiest congratulations!



IN A LEAGUE OF ITS OWN

We announce with great pride and excitement that The Assam Valley School has been ranked No. 2 Co. Educational Boarding Schools in India, No. 1 in the State of Assam, Infrastructure #1, and Safety and Hygiene #1 as per the Education World India School Rankings 2022-23. Heartiest congratulations!



WINNERS AGAIN

The Assam Valley School is proud and humbled to receive the 'Boarding School of the Year' Award at the gala IDA Education Awards ceremony held at Bengaluru on 17 October 2023. The award was received on behalf of the Headmaster by the Head of Activities, Mrs. Priyanka Joshi.



GENESIS GLOBAL MUN

A delegation of 20 students and 2 teachers represented The Assam Valley School at the Genesis Global Model United Nations, Noida. 350 delegates from about 32 schools participated in the conference which had a simulation of 6 UN committees and 1 Indian committee. The delegation of The Assam Valley School bagged the Best Delegation Winner trophy. Congratulations to the team.



Ripple #215

-Atoti Zhimomi, XI

*The evening breezes blew
Past the lights, stalls and her hair
As she ran from the roundabout
to the pavilion
In a haze of excitement and glory
The shouts to turn back becoming
Nothing but a fading echo*

What is Founders to you?

1. "Mesmerizing." -Abhigyan Roy Sarkar, IX
2. "A time of the year when the school comes alive." -Hana Shanifer Ahmed, XII, Head Girl
3. "A celebration filled with colours and lights." -Soohakani Law, XI
4. "Taking pictures in every corner of the school, lights and good food." -Nonika Meitram, IX
5. "A feeling of late night walks and lots of lights." -Asis Gill, XII

Keep It Reel!

Autumnal Sentiments

-Reetisha Daimari



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