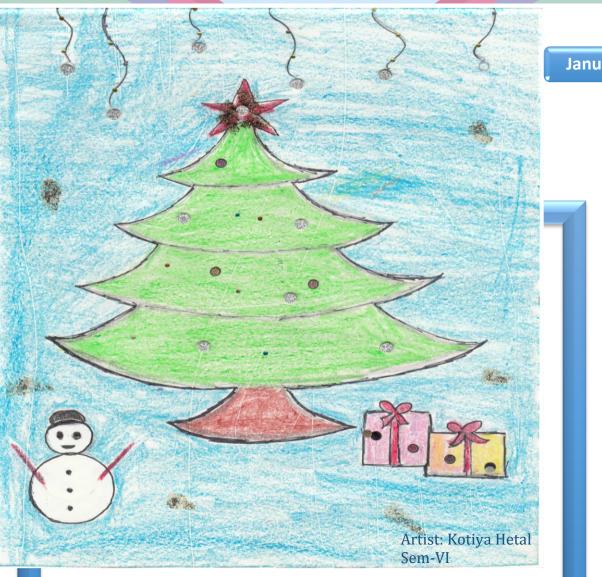
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Festivals: The Taste of India

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Indian Festival

EDITORIAL MESSAGE

Good to see the second issue of *Graffiti* coming up. I hope it reaches all the students of special English group this time, inspiring more submissions and taking the news of newsletter to a larger section of society.

This time it is an issue with the theme of Festivals asking students to submit what they feel and know about festivals.

-Sulabha R. Devpurkar



"The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." - Nelson Mandela 1918-2013

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Positivity

HATE has 4 letters, but so does LOVE... ENEMIES has 7, but so does FRIENDS... LYING has 5, but so does TRUTH... HURT has 4, but so does HEAL... NEGATIVE has 8, but so does POSITIVE...

Transform every negative energy into an aura of positivity. It's your perception that makes the difference in the way you feel...

> -Diksha Lakhani EMComm. SEM-VI

God has embellished Indian culture with festivals. Festivals are like the gardens of colourful flowers. It seems that we enjoy them amidst our busy life. For instance our life is like a silk cloth and the festivals are like the work of brocade on it. Traditionally the festivals are concerned with our myths but consequently they have changed. I suppose we have forgotten their true meaning. Basically we have festivals like Makara Sankranti, Pongal (Tamilnadu), Bihu (Asam), Gangaur (Rajasthan), Onam (Kerala), Vasant Panchami, Vaisakhi(Punjab), Holi, Eid, Muharram, Dashera, Diwali, Navroz and Natal.

Our Vikrama new year begins just after Diwali. We feel that we are welcoming a new span of our life in the form of a new year. With Rangoli we fill new colours in the paintings of our lives. Then we have Makara Sankranti, which we celebrate by flying kites. This festival gives us the message that like kites we should fly high but after getting high position we should have strength to digest it with patience.

Holi is also very auspicious festival. It is related with mythical story. We enjoy 'Dhuleti'. In ancient times people celebrated it with the colours which are made by natural flowers but today we have changed its meaning and people play with harmful chemicals. We have very amusing festival of Janmashtami also. Mostly children are very fond of this festival. It is like the rainbow after a heavy rain.Basically it is related with the birth of Lord Krishna but now we have limited it with funfairs. Navratri is the festival for worshipping the Goddess of all the Goddesses, Maa Shakti. It is very famous in Gujarat because of its traditional Garbas. But now it is spoiled with DJs and Music parties.

We have lost our own cultural. For instance, Diwali spoils our precious environment by using crackers. On Makara Sankranti many birds are killed and people are harmed by strings. Navarra has been turned into competition also.

We should have adequate knowledge while enjoying the festivals. Now we have started to enjoy all the festivals. In ancient times the festivals were celebrated without any purpose, only for pure pleasure.

> -Khushali V. Joshi B.A. SEM-VI

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Colours

Life made with colours. Colours made our soul. Red was a symbol of love, Love purifies our heart. Green was a symbol of greenery, Greenery purifies our soul. Yellow was a symbol of spirituality, Spirituality purifies our soul. White was a symbol of peace Peace purifies our world. Purple was a symbol of honesty Honesty purifies our society.

- Vidhi J. Raykundalia B.A. SEM-VI It is easier for a camel to go through this easier for a needle, then for a no Kingdom of God.

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What a thought!

When I was only five year old I thought why not be a cop (police) Took a stick fought like knight Hurt my hand and change the thought.

When I was only ten year old I thought why not be a Doc (Doctor) Took injection thrust on hand Be unconscious and change the thought.

When I was only fifteen years old I thought why not be a lawyer Wore a coat spoke overflow Sealed by father and change the thought.

When I was only twenty years old I thought why not be an Actor Wore the T-shirt and jeans pant Ignored by audience and change the thought. Now I am twenty five year old I think why not be a literature student Read the books grasp the knowledge Become happiest person what a thought.

> -Ashish. V. Patar M.A. SEM-IV

Till the End of Miles

As the night sets in Up above the sky is bright with stars Also down here there are light bulbs. On such night, A house looks scary Making minds claustrophobic. Inside, the darkness just entangles Close your eyes & it's still there. Try to sleep But nightmares arrive. Then one brave step, The feet find freedom. Outside, when the mind sees. There's brightness of stars. Mr. Moon is shining. A blow of cold air & a vision of the realities. Shows the true being, What's real What's not.an epiphany to what already exists To that this is the shining light Here to lead, Till the end of miles.

-Bokhiriya Riddhi EMComm. SEM-IV

Which word, if pronounced right, is wrong but if pronounced wrong is right?

Come to the Earth

0 Jesus! Where are you? Why I cannot see you; In the hearts of beings? Without you this world is Like a desert.

0 Jesus! Come to the earth Come and live with us Spread humanity in the world Remove these bad duds And purify our thoughts.

O lesus! You must return to the earth, Change the thought of human beings, And Re-establish a new world. For your own children, Please, come to the earth.

-Sheetal V. Jamariya **B.A. SEM-VI**

Humanity

No need artificial hospitality One must act natural humanity. Head & heart, separate manner, Voice of Depth, factual forever. Free hearted human, nature smile, True formality, sing should be style. Love for other as for self Believe for other as for self. Importance for self as for other. True for self as for other. Importance for self as for other, Trust for as for others. Leave Ego, take out one-sidedness, Scarify slander, fill up kindness. Mortal body with immortal soul, Save humanity, it should be our Goal Give respect, spread curtsey, Uphold virtue, achieve humanity.

> Two birds in front of a bird, -Priya S. Modhwadiya two birds behind a bird, one **MA SEM-IV**

Christmas

Christmas is celebrated all over the world. The Traditions are different from country to country, but they nearly always include a feast giving gifts or cards and enjoying church or public festivities such as singing Christmas carols and songs. Santa Claus is a tradition in many countries of the world.

The day known as Christmas holiday that honours the 25th day of December. Christmas is a Christian holiday that honours the birth of Iesus, whom Christians believe to be the son of God. It is one of the most important days of the year for Christians.

Christmas is the birthday of Jesus Christ. We decorate the Christmas tree at home with stars and sing carols. We give gifts to our friends and relatives.

Christmas time, as it is often called is in the winter of the northern Hemisphere, during which there were ancient festivals. Some of the traditions of Christmas are older than Christmas and come from other non-Christian traditions. These include giving gifts, food, greeting cards, etc. Christmas Tree decorations begin from about a month before Christmas Day.

> -Hetal J. Kotiya **B.A. SEM-VI**

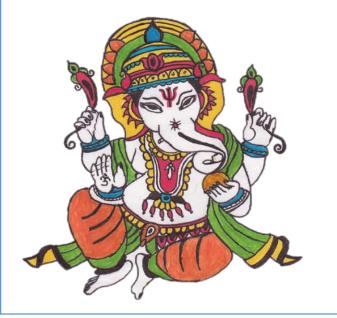
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bird in the middle.

How many birds are there?



Ganesh Utsav

We celebrate many festivals in India our great Lord Ganesha, the God of intelligence was born on 'Chouth of Bhadrva' the Guajarati month .so we celebrate that day as Ganesh Chaturthi. He is the God who destroys obstacles and critical Junctures of our life.

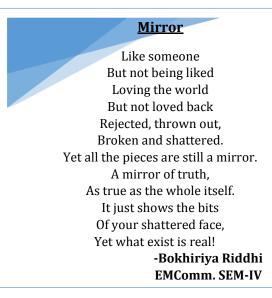
In the whole India this festival is celebrated but most probably the Maharashtriyans are fond of this festival.

People set the statue of Ganesha in their homes or the locality and every day they tell the stories of this historic warrior and a lovable son. They do 'Pooja' and 'Aarti' of Ganesha every morning and evening .They sing Bhajans and songs too. They feel very happy to keep Ganesha's statue at home with hospitality and happily.

And on the last day of 'Anant Chaturthi' they do 'Uttar Pooja'. Then they load the statue of Ganesha on truck or any carrier and go to nearby lake, river or sea and with dance Bhajans and songs they do 'Visarjan' of the statue in water and pray.

Really, Ganesha is the God who enchants the new inspiration and happiness in people.

-Dimple R. Makwana BA SEM-III



Do you think really Nirbhaya Get the justice?

- On 16th December, Nirbhaya and his friend caught the bus from Munirca. Nirbhaya was raped by six people, including a juvenile, inside a moving bus in Delhi. Her friend was very badly hit by six people and then they both were thrown out of the moving bus. Nobody saw the police and helped them.
- Before this gang rape one man complained police that these six people had stolen his mobile and his money but police did not take any action.
- This is the carelessness of Delhi police.
- On 17th December, driver Ram Singh and two other accused were arrested.
- On 18th December, fourth accused was arrested.
- On 21st December, fifth accused, a juvenile, was arrested from east Delhi, sixth accused Akshay Kumar Singh was nabbed from Bihar.
- On 23rd December fast track court was set up.
- On 29th December Nirbhaya succumbs to her injuries at Singapore hospital.
- ON 3rd January 28, JJB declares that one of the accused is a minor.
- On March 11, Accused Ram Singh was found hung in his Tihar jail cell.
- On August 31, JJB sentences the minor accused to three year stay in a special home .But it is not right ,it is wrong .He is also a criminal and he should have got very hard punishment too.
- On December 29, she was left in Singapore's Mount Elisabeth Hospital.
- After Nirbhaya's death people were very angry and felt very shocked. They demanded to hang all the criminals.
- On September 13, "Accordingly the convicts be hanged by neck till they are dead", additional sessions judge Yogesh Khanna said after observing that the inhuman and ghastly acts of the convicts shocked and deserve exemplary Punishments after an agonizing wait.
- But one minor accused got three years stay in a special home. It is not a correct justice because he also a criminal like Akshay Thakur, Vinay sharma, Pavan Gupta and Mukesh Singh.
- "Are you really satisfied with this justice?"
- After the judgment Kiran Bedi tweeted," Clear message to parents and teachers and Community at large....
- Tell your boys how to behave and be responsible or (they will) be hung".
- But reality "Death Penalty cannot be a solution or deterrent, though it might be rarest of the sexual violence against women".
- It is our responsibility to protect us and fight against the accused that harm us. In this case we can also say that this is the carelessness of Delhi police.
- Nirbhaya was the daughter of the nation. All the nation demands is to get a strict punishment for the criminals.
- Are you satisfied with this legal system of our country? Are you safe when you go outside? Remember, fight against those who harms you. Think about it...

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-Chhaya Alfa B.Com. SEM-I

Indian Festival

India is a very vast and rich country in population. Different types of people live in India they all are from different castes and cultures that is why Indian culture is very vast.

India is very rich in festival. Festivals make life beautiful. In India people celebrate Diwali, Holi, Navratra etc. and some of the festivals are also famous in India. Today I am going to write, about one of the Indian festivals which are particularly celebrated by southern people and that festival is 'ONAM'.

Onam is the harvest festival celebrated by the people of Kerala and Tamilnadu. It is the harvest festival of Kerala with state holidays of 4 days starting from, 'ONAM' in south. ONAM festival fall during the Malayalam mouth of chin gam (Aug-Sept) and marks the Commemoration of Vamana avatar of Vishnu and the subsequent home coming of mythical king Mahabali.

In Kerala this festival is celebrated with most number of cultural elements such as Valam. Pookkalam, Onathappan, Thambi, Thullal etc.

Onam was celebrated by ancient Tamil people Onam the good day is the birthday of Mayon (Vishnu) destroyer of Assuras. The celebrations begin within a fortnight of the Malayalam New Year and go on for ten days. The ten day ONAM festival is considered to be flagged off with "Attachmayand" (Royal Parade on Atham day).

The ten days of ONAM are celebrated with great fun fare by Malayalees. Of all these days the most important one is the first day, Atham and the tenth day Thiruvonam. The rich cultural heritage of Kerala comes in its best form and spirit during the festival.

Onam sadya (feast) is another very important part of Thiruvonam. The feast is served on Plahtain leaves have 13 to 15 curries along with traditional pickles, Papadam, and a dessert called "Payasam". The importance of the feast is captured in famous Malayalam proverb "Kaanam Vittum Onam Unnanam". It means one must have the onam lunch even if one has to sell his property. There are also many traditional dances in this festival like Thiruvanthura, Kummatikali Pulikali, Thumbi etc.

The tradition of buying and wearing new clothes for the occasion of Onam is called Onakkodi.

Thus, India is a vast treasure of various and colourful festivals. Festival is the face of India.

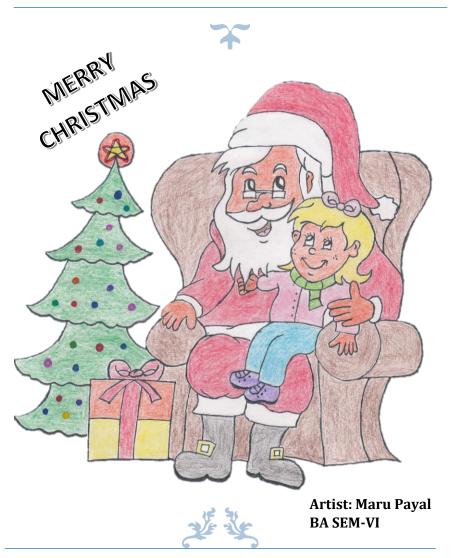
-Gorasia Bansi BA SEM-VI



Student Speaks

God gives everyone different skills and one of them is to create something different for which one can take the help of their writing skills or imaginative power. While reading the newsletter "GRAFFITI", I felt very happy that our English dept. always does such activities to motivate us and that is the result which we got through this newsletter in the form of poems like 'college life ','real personality', 'friendship' and also thoughts like 'success in a simple word...' so I would like to thank our professors of English providing us and our friends such opportunities.

> -Nagma M. Bloch B.A. SEM-VI



Trainer Talks

"He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more".

I would like to express immense pleasure apropos the tremendous response that has been generated by the last edition of The Graffiti and express best wishes at the revelation of the second issue of the newsletter, "The Graffiti".

-Prof. Rushi Pandya



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Congratulations to **Raykundaliya Vidhi J.** for she came 2nd in the Open Porbandar Elocution Competition organised by Shri Ramkrishna Mission, Porbandar.



Activities at a Glance



Book Exhibition



Debate Competition

Assignment of English Prepared by Makwana Nayna



MA Students on Picnic



MA Students Performed Drama on the Life of Jesus



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