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WEB EDITION

SPORTS

Lionel Messi remains ahead of Cristiano Ronaldo as world's richest footballer

Lionel Messi was denied a potentially money-spinning move away from Barcelona this month after a contract-dispute but the Argentine maestro remains the world's richest soccer player. According to a list compiled by Forbes, Messi's total earnings this year are \$126 million — \$92 million from his salary and \$34 million from endorsements. Cristiano Ronaldo comes in second with earnings of \$117 million.

- Neymar comes in third on the Forbes list (\$96 million with his Paris St Germain teammate, 21-year-old Kylian Mbappe, up in fourth spot (\$42 million)
- The Premier League remains the world's richest domestic soccer league but only two of its outfield players feature in the top 10 of the wealth table—Liverpool's title-winning striker Mohamed Salah in the fifth spot (\$37 million) and Manchester United's midfielder, Paul Pogba (\$34 million) in sixth. Pogba's team mate, keeper David de Gea (\$27 mn) is placed 10th on the list



Lionel Messi

Lok Sabha passes bill to cut salaries of MPs by 30 per cent

The Lok Sabha on Tuesday passed a bill to reduce the salaries of the MPs for a year by 30 per cent "to meet the exigencies arising out of Covid-19 pandemic". These include the constituency allowance and office expenses allowance. The Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament (Amendment) Bill, 2020 was introduced in the Lower House on Monday. It will replace the Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020.



- On April 5, the Union Cabinet had approved an ordinance to amend the salaries of parliamentarians and ministers, reducing allowances and pension by 30 per cent.
- The Cabinet had also decided to suspend the MP Local Area Development

- (MPLAD) scheme for two years and transfer the amount into the government's consolidated fund
- President Ram Nath Kovind, Vice-president Venkaiah Naidu and Governors too had offered to take the 30 per cent cut in their salaries

According to PRS Legislative research, the reduction of the salaries and allowances of MPs and ministers amounts to savings of around ₹ 55 crore, and the suspension of the MPLAD scheme is expected to save ₹ 7,800 crore

Apple launches new watches and linked virtual fitness service

Apple Inc On Tuesday introduced a new Apple Watch Series 6 that monitors blood oxygen for \$399 (₹29,320 approx) and a lower-cost Apple Watch SE for \$279 (₹20,502 approx). Apple said both the watches can be pre-ordered, starting Tuesday and will be available on Friday. Apple also introduced a service called Apple Fitness+ powered by its watches that will deliver virtual workouts.



■ The Series 6 is packed with new capabilities— You can measure blood oxygen levels directly by using the watch, in just 15 seconds ■ Apple said the Series 6 watch's new ability to monitor the blood oxygen level by using infrared light should be used for fitness and wellness purposes. Doctors in India and other countries have used pulse oximeters to remotely check on Covid-19 patients and ensure that their oxygen saturation level does not fall too low. ■ It will come in a new Blue Aluminum, new Graphite, and new Product Red.

The new iPhone series is expected to be announced next month after the company said that its launch will be delayed by several weeks because of the pandemic-related disruptions

NEWS IN CLUES

IN 1948-49, MALAYA BECAME THE FIRST-EVER CHAMPIONS OF WHICH FAMOUS TOURNAMENT?

- CLUE 1:** It is also called the World Men's Team Championships
- CLUE 2:** Recently, ace shuttler Saina Nehwal had raised safety concerns over conducting this tournament
- CLUE 3:** The competition is named after a badminton, chess and tennis player, Sir George Alan Thomas

ANSWER: THOMAS CUP. The Badminton World Federation (BWF) on Tuesday announced that the Thomas and Uber Cup will be postponed to next year after a string of countries withdrew over the coronavirus fears. No new dates have been announced for the tournament

CORONA UPDATE

LOUD SINGING CAN spread Covid droplets!



In the fight against novel coronavirus, researchers have found that singing, particularly loud and consonant-rich singing, spreads a lot of aerosol particles and droplets into the surrounding air, increasing the spread of covid.

■ According to researchers, some droplets are so large that they only move a few decimetres from the mouth before they fall, whereas others are smaller and may continue to hover for minutes. In particular, the enunciation of consonants release very large droplets— the letters B and P— stand out as the biggest aerosol spreaders, they say

■ There are reports about the spreading of Covid-19 through choirs singing. Therefore, restrictions have been introduced all over the world to make singing safer. However, there has been no scientific investigation on the amount of aerosol particles and the larger droplets that we actually exhale when we sing

■ While further studies may be undertaken to know more about the validity and the connect between singing and the spread of the virus, perhaps silence is golden in the era of Covid-19

Now, YouTube takes on TikTok, unveils Shorts Beta in India

Taking on TikTok and a barrage of short-video making apps, Google-owned YouTube has announced YouTube Shorts in Beta version in India.

TECH BUZZ

- Shorts will be a new short-form video experience on the YouTube for creators and artists, who want to shoot short, catchy videos, using their mobile phones
- The feature will allow users, initially in India, to upload a 15-second or less short-form video, using a new set of creator tools, including a multi-segment camera, similar to TikTok, speed controls, a timer and a countdown feature.
- The multi-segment camera allows the users to string together multiple video clips into a short clip
- The videos can also be set to music, thanks to YouTube's access to a large library of songs

NEWS IN BRIEF

'Wonder Woman 1984' release now pushed to Christmas this yr

Warner Bros has once again decided to push back Gal Gadot-starrer, 'Wonder Woman 1984' due to continued uncertainty over the reopening of theatres. A follow-up to the 2017 blockbuster, 'Wonder Woman', the Patty Jenkins-directed superhero feature was set to release on October 2 in the US. It will now hit the theatres on December 25 this year.

The film, which also features Chris Pine, Kristen Wiig and Pedro Pascal, was originally scheduled to release on June 14 but was pushed to August and later to October due to the coronavirus pandemic

FACTOID

\$33 MILLION

Price of a rare, flawless 102-carat oval diamond that is likely to fetch at an auction in Hong Kong at Sotheby's on October 5. The egg-shaped stone has the highest colour grade, D, for a white diamond, and is rated Type IIA for its chemical purity and exceptional transparency. The gem was cut from a 271-carat rough stone discovered in Ontario's Victor Mine, in Canada, where production ceased last year

FACEBOOK FOR CAMPUS!

Facebook Inc will soon let college students create special profiles specifically for connecting with classmates and joining campus events and groups — a return of sorts to the company's early days, when Facebook was exclusive to college students, after Chief Executive Officer Mark Zuckerberg founded the social network in his Harvard dorm.



BUZZ

►The product, called Facebook Campus, will be a part of the company's existing service, but users must create a special profile, using their university email address. The profile will be visible only to other students at their college, and students will be able to join groups, find campus events and participate in classroom discussions. ►The idea is to give students a "private, dedicated space to interact with their college life," said Charmaine Hung, a FB product manager. Profiles can include information like a student's major, the dorm they live in, and the classes they're taking ►Hung said, Campus will help students, who aren't actually living at school dorms to stay connected with their classmates and others during these pandemic times

Quote unquote

India will play a major role in the manufacturing of Covid-19 vaccines in high numbers, as several vaccine companies in the country have the capacity to ramp up the production. The progress on reducing poverty across the world may suffer a set back by a few years due to the pandemic, and if all countries cooperate, and the world is lucky to have some good vaccines, health systems could recover fast

BILL GATES, co-founder, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation



Lockdown may have been lifted but things are far from normal. So, if you are planning to meet your friends and family members during these times, keep these five things in mind, while socialising...

ASK YOURSELF, "IS IT REALLY NECESSARY?"

1 No matter how much you are craving to meet your loved ones, you do need to weigh the risks associated with these interactions. Remember, when you decide to come in contact with someone you are not quarantined with, you always put yourself at the risk of contracting the illness. Before you step out of your house, it is advisable to measure the pros and cons of the meeting, especially if someone belongs to the high-risk category of developing illness from Covid-19.

DO NOT TAKE OFF THE FACE MASK

2 While wearing a mask or a face cover is certainly non-negotiable at this point of time, it's even more important if you are meeting people, who do not stay in your home. While keeping a distance of at least six feet is probably your safest bet, it is equally important to wear face masks, if you are not able to maintain that distance.



MEET OUTDOORS, WHENEVER POSSIBLE

3 For starters, it is important to understand that now is not the time for late-night partying and chilling in air-conditioned coffee shops. So, if you are planning to meet your friends, choose a place outdoors, as the wind may help the viral particles to disperse more quickly. Since, being outdoors lowers the risk of contracting the infection, make sure to choose a well-ventilated place to meet your near ones.

DON'T SHARE FOOD, DRINKS OR UTENSILS

4 The risk here lies in touching your friend's plate or drink and then touching your face afterwards. There may be no major risk in sharing snacks but it is crucial to keep hands clean.

NO MORE HUGS OR HAND-SHAKES

5 It's best to go for elbow shakes or foot shakes. Always carry a hand sanitizer with you, and avoid touching high-touch areas as much as possible. While there is no foolproof way of completely avoiding the infection, taking these measures will help you minimise the risk.



REMEMBERING MANDELA

From my perspective, this competition has brought a lot of positive changes in me and it helped me to understand the importance of such topics (democracy, human rights, conflict resolution and peace)," shared Aditi Vishnoi, Grade 7 student of Diamond Jubilee High School Mumbai, managed by AKESI, and the winner at the Mandela Elocution Competition at AKESI.

Every year, July 18 is celebrated as Nelson Mandela International Day. Mandela devoted his life to the service of humanity so on this day we remember Mandela's achievements and work towards conflict resolution, democracy, human rights, peace, and reconciliation.

To celebrate Nelson Mandela Day and to inspire students with his values, Aga Khan Education Service, India (AKESI) organized an Online Inter-School Elocution Competition for students Grades 6 to 12.

For the first time, an event of this scale



was executed remotely. Students selected their topics and registered online. Over 600 students from Aga Khan Schools across India were evaluated in the preliminary round. 120 students were selected for the semi-final round. Organized centrally, the tough semi-final round brought the 43 best speakers from the nine AKESI units into the finals.

An external jury included Farida Lambay - Co-founder of Pratham, an education and social activist; Dr Rajeshwari Narendran - Head & Professor for HR/OB and Director of MHRM at M L Sukhadia University, Udaipur. and Chetna Mehrotra - Founder of Rangbhumi, an applied theatre practitioner and drama-based learning facilitator.

The jury jointly selected seven national winners. Six students were presented with the jury awards. Aditi Vishnoi, from Diamond Jubilee High School, Mumbai was one of the winners. Speaking about her daughter's participation Poonam Vishnoi proudly said, "This experience helped our child learn about global concepts as well as about India's rich heritage of peaceful coexistence."

CREATIVE GENIUS

Anvi Kalothia, who is currently studying Class 5, at Bai Avabai Petit Girls' High School, Mumbai won an International award from the International Museum of Children's Art, Norway. Her artwork "A day in our Lockdown Life" was chosen as top 5 from amongst 5500 entries received across 65 countries. Her artwork is created on a flip-book that visually depicts all her family members and their lockdown lives. Her Artwork is available for viewing online on the Museum website.

**Kids' theatre and more**

The tiny tots of Pre-Primary section of Ramsheth Thakur Public School, Kharghar performed a skit as well as enacted various role models from their Fables & Tales. In their enthusiasm they successfully brought out the culture, richness of history, traditions, values, virtues of these different Fables & Tales. The costume and the dialogue spoken clearly depicted good and evil. The characterisation brought forward the contrast of different caps, dresses and dialect spoken in these three countries. The British Council International School Award, ISA Activity had a great impact in learning and perception of the students. They would carry on with the same fervour striving towards broadening minds and gaining knowledge. Students' participation and various characters like little Dwarfs, Snow White, Ali Baba, and The Great Akbar & Birbal all were applauded and appreciated by the principal, Raj Aloni.

HAPPY TEACHERS' DAY**HOLY NAME HIGH SCHOOL, COLABA**

Teachers' Day was a different experience for the Holy Name Teachers this year as it was celebrated online on 5th September. The programme started with a prayer service. A hearty welcome was given to the staff by students. A virtual programme was arranged for teachers. Students expressed their gratitude by conducting programmes like dance, displaying greeting cards and they even sang songs. Students gave speeches in which they appreciated their teachers who have worked as online warriors during these uncertain times. They even thanked teachers for stepping up and portraying zeal, courage and resilience in the face of the pandemic. All students performed with great enthusiasm on the virtual platform. Teachers were overwhelmed with the efforts of each and every student. The principal Sr. Lawrence Pereira expressed her sincere thanks to all teachers and appreciated the hard work done by them during these challenging times.

**NEW HORIZON SCHOLARS SCHOOL, KAVESAR, THANE**

Teachers' Day is celebrated every year on the 5th of September, which also marks the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was an Indian philosopher and the second President of India. To celebrate this occasion, students perform songs and plays, acknowledging the contribution of their teachers.

A more unique and novel way of celebrating the day had been introduced. And like every year the same tradition stirred up the emotions of the teachers to that extent that they did not mind the Pandemic, they did not wait to be invited, they did not ask for how were they going to contribute, they just participated and with the same zeal and enthusiasm that they conducted the online

classes they amazingly presented a beautiful Cultural Extravaganza 'Udaan' on the occasion. The afternoon passed beautifully with a



multilingual programme a beautiful homogeneous blend of the teachers and the students. The teachers in primary section presented a plethora of songs, while students kept the Virtual stage alive by dancing on 'Gurur Brahma Gurur Vishnu Gurur Deva Maheshwara' for their teachers.

The evening started with a meaningful chant of San-

skrit Shloka on teachers and a Warm Welcome to continue with the virtual Lighting of the Lamp and Prayer, ensued by A Hindi Kavita on teachers and their infinite capacities and innate ideas. An Odissi dance which enthralled the audience was next, followed by Musical Medley with rendition of very melodious numbers.

The spirit of togetherness was carried forward by several programmes well-curated displaying love and respect towards teachers.

In the words of the regional director Dr Jyoti Nair, "Teachers have proved it once again that is their 'Udaan' as the name for the programme aptly suggested that they will 'Fly to lands of fantasies'. No crisis is big enough to defeat the indomitable spirit of a teacher, who doesn't shy from her responsibilities because she knows her spirit will enliven thousands and those thousands will motivate and inspire thousands more and the journey continues..."

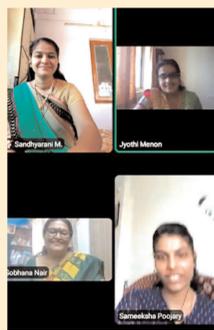
GUARDIAN HIGH SCHOOL & JR. COLLEGE

A teacher's purpose is not to create students in his/her own image, but to develop students to create their own image. The birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan is celebrated as Teachers' Day, and this auspicious eve was celebrated virtually by Guardian High School & Jr. College students. They showed their love and gratitude towards their teachers by organising an outstanding event.

They made every segment of the event unique. The dignitaries of the programme are the headmistress Jyothi Menon, the Sr. counsellor Usha Borse and the college co-ordinator Dr Sobhana Nair were felicitated by a virtual bouquet which was bunched by the write-ups of teachers. The event moved ahead by a sweet message given by headmistress. Everyone was overwhelmed with such a heartfelt messages given by teachers. Dr Sobhana Nair compared the traditional way of education in olden days that is the gurukul and with current situation. She also reminded students that in this pandemic situation teachers are doing their level best and adapting technology to make the teaching-learning process more effective.

Students were very enthusiastic to speak few words about their favourite teachers. But as the number of students is more, few students took the lead voluntarily and expressed their love towards their beloved teachers in the form of videos. It was really an emotional moment for all the teachers. Sr. Counsellor; Usha Borse appreciated the efforts taken by the students to make this day more memorable. She praised every teacher for choosing this profession and said today it has become fruitful. She encouraged students to learn academically and non-academically from their talented teachers. The programme which was organised by the students showed that a spark is ignited in them and that has to create fire in them to move ahead she said. The programme accelerated to the next segment was teachers were surprised by a beautiful virtual card from co-ordinator which was filled with her love towards each teacher.

Teachers were speechless with the memorable gift. Dr Nair in her speech said that students are the rewards for their teachers. Their love and respect towards the teachers is an award which lasts forever. She also recalled how some of their senior students who showed least interest in studies but how all the teachers selflessly strived till the last day of their exams and made them come up in flying colours. She also counselled that energy is transferred from teachers to students. Teachers are reflected in their acts and deeds hence respect them. The programme was concluded by playing small video of teachers' sweet memories.

**ANJUMAN-I-ISLAM'S A.A.KHATKAHTAY ENGLISH SECONDARY SCHOOL, VASHI**

As rightly said, "A Teacher's purpose is not to create a student's image in his own eyes but to develop students who can create their own image".

Anjuman-I-Islam's A.A. Khatkahtay English Secondary School, Vashi celebrated Virtual Teacher's Day with great pomp and enthusiasm. Teacher's day is celebrated on 5th September to pay tribute to our great philosopher, Scholar and a great teacher Dr Radhakrishnan Sarvepalli.



The Students of std 5th- 10th had organised an online programme to pay tribute to their teachers for their hardwork, guidance and motivation they have been providing even during such testing times. The programme was initiated by Qirat seeking the blessings of Almighty followed by the cultural programme planned by the students under teachers' guidance. The students made their contributions in the form of speeches in English, Marathi and Urdu Language. They also dedicated a beautiful poem on "Thank you Teacher", prepared greeting cards, Message cards, dedicated songs and also a dance was performed to convey their love and feelings for their teachers. They appreciated the undaunted spirit of their teachers, who in this pandemic situation continued monitoring the students, keeping an update about their health and well-being and made learning joyful and impactful for them.

The entire virtual celebration was one of a kind and the program put up by the students clearly indicated that no difficulty can break this unique teacher-student bond. The principal of the school, Zulekha Siddiqui congratulated the students and expresses her happiness for the beautiful efforts of the students. All in all, it was a great day both for the teachers and the students.



Narayana-E-Techno School, Andheri East



Rustomjee International School, Dahisar

ANJUMAN - I - ISLAM'S DR. MOHAMMAD ISHAQUE JAMKHANAWALA SCHOOL AND JR. COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND COMMERCE, BANDRA

To make the day special for teachers, Anjuman - I - Islam's Dr. Mohammad Ishaque Jamkhanawala School and Jr. College of Science and Commerce, Bandra, 'Teachers Day Committee' organised an online program worth witnessing. The program was presented in two segments, first as a part of In-House webinar series Three (Unlearn to Learn) Rekha Shahni shared her ideas on "Joy of living" and the second was absolutely based on recreation. The program started with Qirat from student followed by some nostalgic videos of school. There was role play of principal and vice-principal done by students of Std.X. Messages by principal Saba Patel and vice-principal Zohra Sakrekar to enlighten the occasion. Few of retired teachers too joined the program and made it a huge hit.

SHRI SKI JAIN HIGH SCHOOL, MARINE LINES

Shakuntala K. I. Jain High School revered Dr S. Radhakrishnan. At SKI Jain High School, they firmly believe that it is their prime responsibility to equip students with thinking and reasoning abilities, so that they can take right decisions for themselves rather than we imposing our opinions upon them. The walls in the corridors of the institution were embellished with charts that motivate not only the students but also teachers with the inspiring thoughts like the one shared by Thomas Carruthers, "A teacher is one who makes himself progressively unnecessary." Thus they live the dream of the great teacher Dr Radhakrishnan and celebrated his birthday - Teachers' Day with immense enthusiasm every year in the school.

Undeterred by the current pandemic and the resultant lockdown too, Shri Shakuntala K. I. Jain High School celebrated Teachers' Day with thrilling excitement on 5th September on digital platform.

The student council members of the school as well as the class monitors roped in, the students of every class to help make the Teachers' Day a gala event with the intention of providing few light moments of entertainment for teachers. Accordingly, the students of every class in the institution pitched in their best in this extravaganza either by performing



some dances or singing few melodious numbers in praise of their beloved teachers. Certain students showered the teachers with genuine praises through well drafted and delivered speeches while some prepared heart touching videos in appreciation of their teachers. A lot many students expressed their gratitude for their teachers through creative art. The teachers were not only touched by the different ways of expression of love by their students but were also overjoyed to know that each student is a power house of talents.

The principal of the institution Roma Das also organised a short meeting on Zoom App with the teachers to greet the teachers on this special day. The virtual get together commenced with a warm welcome by the principal Roma Das who quoted Mother Theresa, "Some people come in your life as a blessing and some come in your life as a lesson." This was followed by the rendition of a melodious hymn by Rajshree Lele and a prayer by Maria Murray.

The session ended on a nostalgic note with a vote of thanks and exchange of loads of wishes.

MAHATMA GANDHI VIDYA MANDIR, BANDRA EAST

The year 2020 brought the biggest challenge for teachers. During this pandemic teachers are really unsung warriors. To mark their contribution in the field of education 'Teachers' Day' is the best Day Birth anniversary of the second President of India Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan was celebrated as Teacher's Day all over India.

On this occasion principal Janardan Laxman Shirsekhar Shikshan Sanstha's Mahatma Gandhi Vidya Mandir; (Bandra East) celebrated virtual Teachers' Day with great en-



thusiasm under the able guidance of principal B.B.Shinde. Covid-19 pandemic changed everything but it gave us an idea about our impact on students.

PRESIDENCY SCHOOL ICSE, BHIWANDI

A teacher affects eternity; and can never tell where the influence stops, such is the aura of a good teacher and thus to honour and appreciate teacher for their special contribution towards education and society, Presidency School ICSE Bhiwandi students of the Preprimary section celebrated Teacher's day with a great zeal and zest.

As we all know, Teachers' Day is an auspicious occasion of the great academic philosopher, scholar, Bharat Ratna, President of India, and above all a great and noble teacher Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan's birthday. It is celebrated on 5th September, in honour of Sarvepalli's belief that "Teachers should be the best minds in the country".

The tiny tots were already excited and informed about the importance of the day. The students were beautifully dressed as great Indian teachers like Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, Dr A P J Abdul Kalam, Swami Vivekanand, Savitribai Phule, Dr Rajendra Prasad, Aryabhata just to name a few was a treat to watch.

The significance of this day is ever evolving. This year due to the pandemic and schools being shut could not hamper the celebration. The entire celebration was organised by Presidency School management, teachers and support staff using the virtual platform.





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