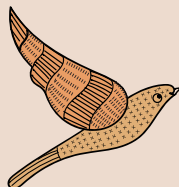
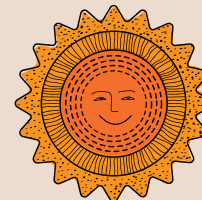


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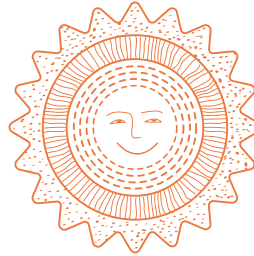


On 20 October 2022, Indian Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi launched Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) in the presence of the UN Secretary General Mr. António Guterres. Mission LiFE is an India-led global mass movement that nudges individual and community initiatives to protect and preserve the environment. It seeks to democratise climate actions by creating a global network called “Pro Planet People”.

Climate change affects everyone in the world, no matter where they live; and art is a medium that can touch anyone no matter what language they speak. Art is not only a reflection of the current society, it also represents shared values and aspirations for the future. From painting on natural canvases like cave walls to using dyes collected directly from nature, art derives much of its cues from the environment.

This calendar contains paintings of school children collected by the National Museum of Natural History, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India. Each painting creatively advocates for issues relating to sustainable lifestyles and the thought process of each young mind is expressed on the corresponding page. A special environmental day has been mentioned for each month, with motifs inspired by traditional Indian art and craft styles.





“When I made this drawing, I thought that society should use environmentally friendly transportation and grow more trees for the betterment of the environment and its health. Green electricity should be encouraged with the help of solar and wind power. As per our Prime Minister Shri Modi Ji's vision, we should clean our beaches and roads, we should not waste water and should not cut the jungles, should not pollute water and land so that wildlife will flourish and wild animals will be happy. We should adopt e-vehicles, green energy and all good things which are needed for a good environment.
Swachh Bharat Shrestha Bharat (Clean India, Great India).”

- Yashika Agarwal



Yashika Agarwal, Class VIII
Hills' High School
Gujarat, India

January 2023

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On 14 January, India traditionally celebrates Winter Solstice, known as "Makar Sankranti"





“I believe technology can help humans to make this world become a better place. Robots can handle lifting heavy loads, toxic substances and repetitive tasks. As we know that farmers work very hard with their labour-intensive tasks, this will help them immensely. Agricultural robots can help the farmers with many different tasks such as seeding, watering, harvesting and bestriding the crops. Autonomous tractors work independently and can be controlled by the farmers remotely. In these ways, natural resources, water can be used based on only what is required. There is less wastage. So the human-technology teams can support us in fields as diverse as agriculture, transportation, manufacturing etc. This is what I have shown in my painting.

The conclusion is that machines are not replacing humans, rather complementing their capabilities and supporting them in making the world a better place.”

- Paridhi Jain



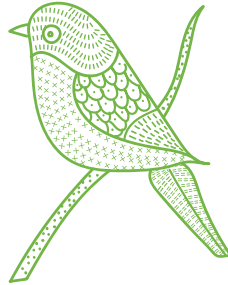
Paridhi Jain, Class VIII
 St. Joseph's Co-Ed School
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02 February is celebrated as the
 World Wetlands Day



“I have thought deeply about what we should do to improve the lifestyle for the environment. Then I drew a house with solar panels and got an electric car. After that I thought we should save water because it is very scarce and is very much needed for human beings, plants and animals. I also drew bicycles which a girl and a boy are riding on as they do not pollute the environment. We should also recycle paper, plastics etc. because it helps in reducing the need for raw materials. And then I drew windmills because they use wind to generate mechanical power or electricity.”

- Kalyani Sharma

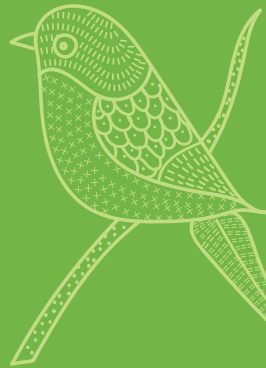


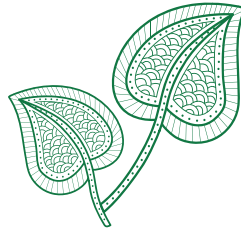
Kalyani Sharma, Class VIII
Sharda Vidya Mandir
Madhya Pradesh, India

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20 March is celebrated as the
World Sparrow Day





“Individual Action is the Core of Climate Responsibility. Several daily practices in our LiFE are rooted in respect for the natural environment. They can prove to be invaluable in our fight against climate change. Changes in one’s lifestyle are simple, practical steps that students/citizens can perform in their day-to-day life towards the protection of the environment. Unsustainable consumption leads to pressure on natural resources and long-term impacts on the environment. While a section of the globe and the society faces a lack of basic necessities, the high consuming and unsustainable lifestyles of another section places immense stress on the environment. This imbalance in global consumption patterns is reflected in a situation where some sections over-exploit the available resources, and some other segments are unable to even meet their food, health, housing and educational needs.”

- M Reshma



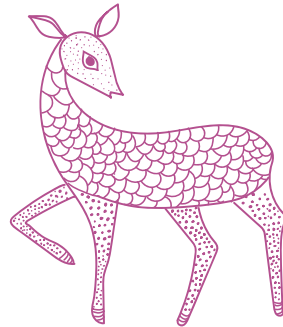
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M. Reshma, Class VIII
Kendriya Vidyalaya
Uttar Pradesh, India

22 April is celebrated as
the Earth Day





“In this painting, I want to depict that saving our world and our environment is purely in our hands. We can save it or we can burn it to the ashes. It’s all up to us. Minor changes can lead to magnificent results. Use biofuel instead of petroleum and be fuel efficient. Use solar, water, air energy wherever possible. Adopt a healthy lifestyle, travel on foot, use cycles. Make the earth a cooler place by planting trees. Save cooking gas by using cookers.

If we do not start taking these steps we will be in great trouble as our civilization will be endangered. Earth will be an extinct planet. So switch to smart energy and plant as much as you can.”

-Sheetal Gupta



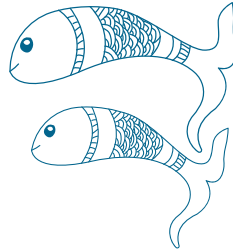
Sheetal Gupta, Class VIII
Sharda Vidya Mandir
Madhya Pradesh, India

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22 May is celebrated as the
International Day for
Biological Diversity





“Through this painting I want to convey that mother earth will bloom at its best if we take care of its nature and environment. Our earth is full of diverse ecosystems and each has its own importance. As an Indian it should be our priority to take care of our nature and our ecology to make it a better place to live in. Let's preserve our unique diversity for our future generations. India is blessed with diverse landforms, rich culture and great knowledge of yoga and asanas. We should explore its richness.”

- Sounak Das

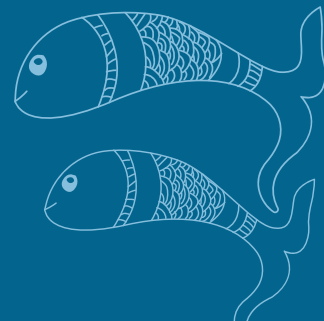


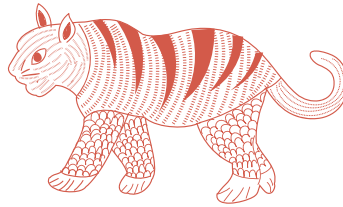
Sounak Das, Class VIII
D.A.V. Model School
West Bengal, India

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08 June is celebrated as the
World Oceans Day





“My thought process behind the painting is that I started noticing the imbalance between the biotic and abiotic factors of our environment. So I wanted to contribute towards creating awareness about this problem, for which a painting was the best medium, as paintings are a form of visual art that captures emotions and ideas on a two dimensional surface. Environment can be defined as a sum total of all the living and nonliving elements and their effects that influence human life. So in my painting I wanted to show how we can change our lifestyle which would not affect us and not harm the plants and animals as well. The aim of my work was to show how we can live in harmony with the natural environment rather than disrupting it.”

- Neel Nitin Sharma

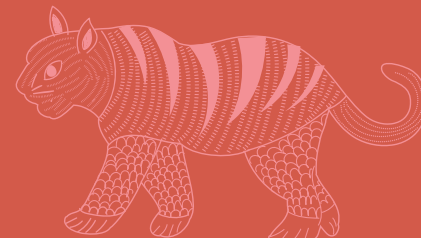


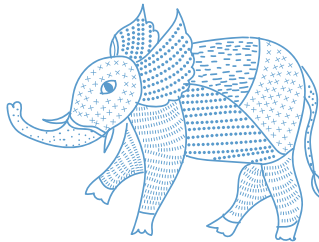
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D.A.V. Model School
West Bengal, India

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29 July is celebrated as
the International Tiger Day





“In my painting I have shown different lifestyle changes that we as children should do to have a better world. I've also tried to show a sustainable society by limiting pollution levels that may damage our natural system, minimising waste by reusing or recycling it, and practising energy efficiency. It is not possible to maintain our earth's ecosystem if we do not adopt such a sustainable lifestyle.”

- Bhomik Sarwal

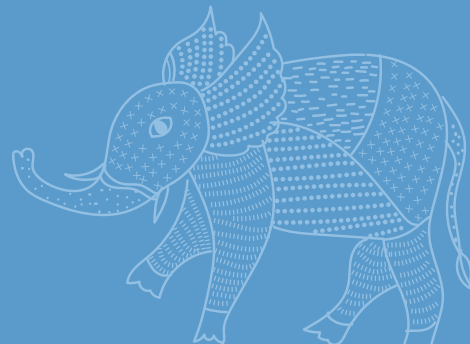


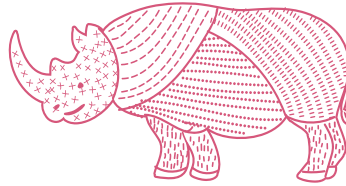
Bhomik Sarwal, Class VII
Springdales School
New Delhi, India

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12 August is celebrated as the World Elephant Day

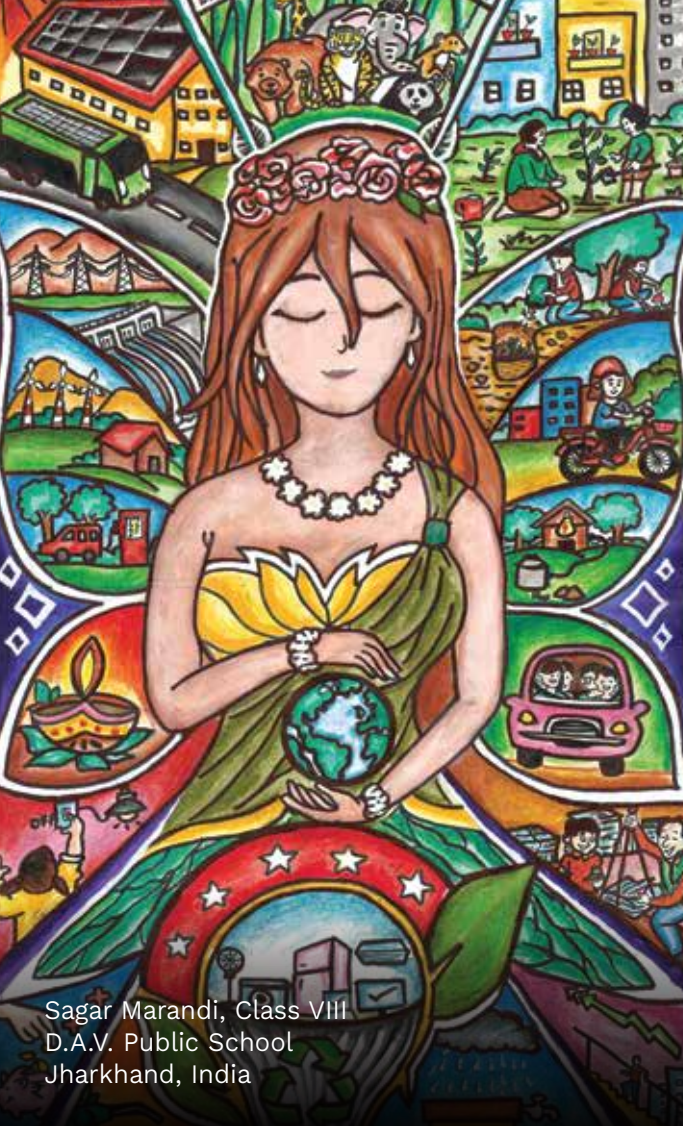




“We are destroying our environment for the sake of development and fun. As a result, we are facing many issues like pollution, climate change, health problems, etc. Therefore, to overcome these problems, we need to change our lifestyle in favour of our environment. This gave me an idea and inspired me to create my painting. Through this poster I have shown how we can protect our environment by including various habits and methods in our lifestyle, like plantation, carpooling, using less crackers, using eco-friendly energy sources, etc.

Save the Environment, Save the World!”

- Sagar Marandi

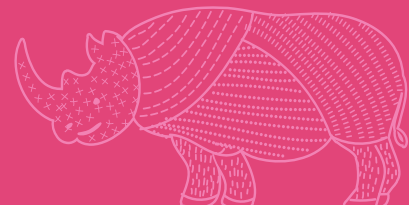


Sagar Marandi, Class VIII
D.A.V. Public School
Jharkhand, India

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22 September is celebrated
as the World Rhino Day





“The Environment helps us by giving us many useful things.
It's our duty to keep it safe through activities like-

- recycle,
- re-purpose,
- re-use,
- repair,
- stop deforestation,
- use renewable sources of energy,
- avoid use of pool car,
- afforestation,
- prefer walking for a short distance,
- stop pollution,
- riding bicycle,
- avoid buying plastic,
- start using metal/reusable bottles.”

- Niladari Karmakar

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Mother Earth



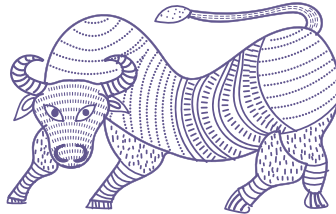
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02 - 08 October is celebrated as the National Wildlife Week in India



Niladari Karmakar, Class VIII
D.A.V. Public School
West Bengal, India



“I have made this painting on the theme 'Save Earth'. Here’s my message for all: Earth, where we live, is the most precious planet in the universe, because it's the only planet where we can find vegetation along with oxygen. While making this painting I wanted to spread the message to save Earth's precious resources like trees. Saving trees is indeed saving the environment; and saving the environment in turn means saving life. The message of stop cutting trees urges us to plant more trees. So I as an Earth's citizen took a pledge through this painting to encourage others to protect the environment.”

- Himanshi Parmar



Himanshi Parmar, Class VIII
Kiddy's Corner Hr. Secondary School
Madhya Pradesh, India

November 2023

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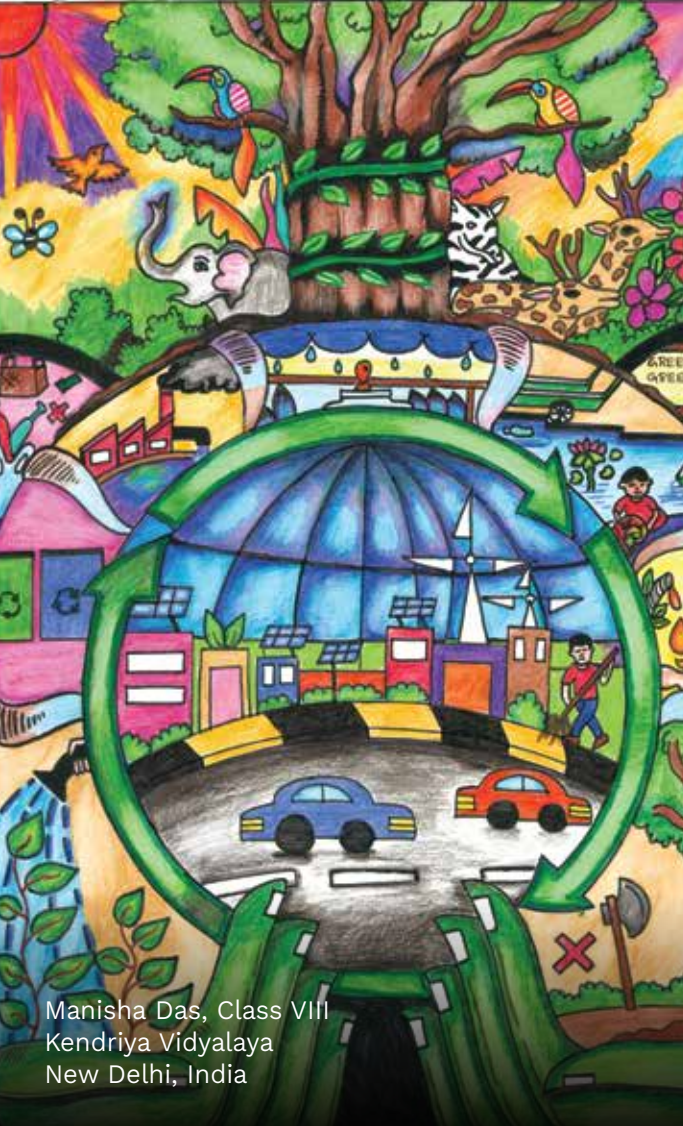
19 - 25 November is celebrated
as the World Heritage Week





“The thought process behind my painting is that we should get a brief idea at first glance regarding what an environment is all about. Environment is the surrounding in which a person, animal or plant lives or operates. It is nature’s gift that helps in nourishing life on earth. A good quality natural environment provides basic needs, in terms of clean air, water, fertile land for food production etc. Keeping that in mind, I have depicted all these elements in my painting. Along with this, I have mentioned some environmental protection practices like watering plants, using solar panels, etc. The message for not cutting trees has been mentioned as well to justify the theme LIFESTYLE FOR ENVIRONMENT. Through this painting, my motive is to show how beautiful our environment can be and how necessary it is for us to use the natural resources carefully.”

- Manisha Das



Manisha Das, Class VIII
Kendriya Vidyalaya
New Delhi, India

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11 December is celebrated as
the International Mountain Day



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