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**STUDENT EDITION**

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**AR RAHMAN'S DEBUT FILM 'LE MUSK' TO PREMIERE AT CANNES XR**



**G**rammy winning Indian composer AR Rahman's very first feature film, 'Le Musk', will have its world premiere at the Cannes Film Market's Cannes XR programme. The 36-minute film is billed as a cinematic sensory experience incorporating virtual reality, with motion, music and scent integrated into the narrative. It follows heiress and musician Juliet Merdinian, who, 20 years since she was orphaned, seeks out the men who changed her destiny with one powerful memory a" that of their scent, reports 'Variety'.

► Shot in Rome, 'Le Musk' features inter-disciplinary expertise coming together from around the world. It was shot on 14 different cameras capturing super-resolution quality video

► Rahman developed the story based on an idea presented by his wife, Saira. They share a love for perfume and wished to employ scent as a narrative device in immersive cinema

## From neutral to NATO: What it means for FINLAND, SWEDEN

**A**fter decades of staying out of military alliances, Finland on Sunday officially announced it would apply for NATO membership, with neighbouring Sweden expected to follow suit soon. The two Nordic countries have expressed a desire to act in unison and submit their applications jointly, in a move seen as a deterrent against aggression from Russia...

**X-PLAINED**

### What does this mean for Europe's Security?

Swedish politician and diplomat Carl Bildt has observed that Finland and Sweden's accession to NATO will alter the European security architecture in two important ways— The first concerns the renewed capacity of Northern Europe. NATO will expand its sphere of influence into the north. This means that this region can confidently deter and defend itself in the event of any geo-political crisis. In addition to Northern Europe, NATO will be better able to manage the Baltic Sea and hence, support Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania's defence. Secondly, Swedish and Finnish inclusion in NATO will strengthen the European pillar. Moreover, it can also be argued that with the inclusion of Sweden and Finland into NATO, trans-atlantic cooperation will be revived. The expansion of the US-led military alliance in Europe also means that the United States will attain an increasing capability to exercise its hegemony in the region. This is very much in keeping with the geo-political interests of the US, particularly at a time when Russia is also competing for a sphere of influence in Europe.



**LESSON TIME**

#### WHAT IS NATO

The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) is an alliance of 30 countries that border the North Atlantic Ocean. The Alliance includes the United States, most European Union members, the United Kingdom, Canada, and Turkey

#### WHY WAS IT FORMED

It was formed in the wake of World War II to keep peace and encourage political and economic cooperation on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean

#### HOW DOES NATO WORK?

NATO's mission is to protect the freedom of its members and the stability of their regions. Its targets

include weapons of mass destruction, terrorism, and cyber-attacks. One key aspect of NATO is Article 5, which states that "an armed attack against one ally is considered an attack against all allies." In other words, an attack on one NATO nation will cause all NATO nations to retaliate. NATO's protection does not, however, extend to members' civil wars or internal coups

#### WHICH COUNTRY IS THE NEWEST NATO MEMBER?

On March 20, 2020, North Macedonia became the newest and 30th member of NATO. Around two million people live in North Macedonia

#### WHY ARE THEY JOINING NOW?

The decision for both the Nordic nations to join NATO, an intergovernmental military organisation that was formed in the Cold War era, is significant. From neutrality, both adopted non alignment in 1995, when they joined the European Union. Both countries have reasons to fear the Russian belligerence, Finland more so, as it shares a 1,300 km border with the former. Joining NATO would bring them under the protection of Article 5, which guarantees military intervention from other members if attacked by an adversary. As Europe stares at uncertainty amid the Ukrainian war, Finland and Sweden feel their common destiny lies with NATO. The two countries know that their military defences are not strong enough, even combined, to thwart a Russian attack. And as Putin displayed his unreliability launching a full-scale invasion of Ukraine, the Nordic countries feel it is time to turn towards a reliable bloc.

#### HOW DID RUSSIA RESPOND?

Reacting to the development, Russia said in a statement: "Finland's accession to NATO will cause serious damage to bilateral Russian-Finnish relations and the maintaining of stability and security in the Northern European region. "Russia will be forced to take retaliatory steps, both of a military-technical and other nature, in order to neutralise the threats to its national security that arise from this," it said.

#### HOW DID THE WORLD REACT?

Fellow European nations and the United States have welcomed the announcement. Norway and Denmark said that they would push for a faster approval of NATO admission. The US stated that it was ready to provide any defence support or address concerns that might arise till the membership becomes official.

## Will the Moon be the next agriculture belt?



**S**cientists for the first time have grown seeds in the soil from the Moon – samples retrieved during NASA missions in 1969 and 1972 – in an achievement that heralds the promise of using earthly plants to support human outposts on other worlds. Researchers said that they planted seeds of a diminutive flowering weed called *Arabidopsis thaliana* in 12 small thimble-sized containers, each bearing a gram of moon soil, more properly called lunar regolith, and watched as they sprouted and grew. The seeds

Lunar regolith, with its sharp particles and lack of organic material, differs greatly from Earth soil, so it was unknown whether seeds would germinate

sprouted within three days. After about a week of growth, the researchers removed all but one plant from each container. The one was left to grow until it was 20 days old, with its leaves then harvested to assess gene activity.

Earth plants could help people establish outposts in places like the Moon and Mars, as depicted in the 2015 film 'The Martian' when an astronaut grew potatoes on the Red Planet. NASA's Artemis programme envisions people returning to the Moon's surface in the coming years

## DELHI SEES RECORD TEMPERATURE AS MERCURY SOARS ABOVE 49 DEGREES CELSIUS IN PARTS OF CITY



People in Delhi continued to witness scorching heat, with the maximum temperature soaring above 49 degrees Celsius in the national capital on Sunday. The mercury rose to a whopping 49.2 degrees Celsius at Mungeshpur in northwest Delhi and 49.1 degrees Celsius at Najafgarh in the southwest part of the city, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said on Sunday. Delhi had earlier recorded its second hottest April this year since 1951, with the monthly average maximum temperature recorded at 40.2 degrees Celsius in the national capital. It was due to feeble western disturbances



## Pooja Bhatt pledges not to use animals in films

**A**ctor-director Pooja Bhatt has pledged not to use animals in her films. Recently, Pooja took to Twitter to thank PETA India for honouring her with an award for being the first Indian director to 'pledge never to use animals in films'. She shared pictures of the letter sent by PETA India. In response to the letter, Pooja said that she will rely on computer graphics instead of using real animals in the films. "Thank you for the honour @PetaIndia. Delighted to be leading from the front on this one & pledging to never use animals in any films or content I create. Will rely on computer graphics if a film/show of mine ever has an animal written into it. Urge more filmmakers to join in (folded hands emoji)," she tweeted.

**FOR A CAUSE**

## Bezos' Blue origin targets May 20 for next space tourist flight

**J**eff Bezos' space venture Blue Origin is targeting May 20, to launch its fifth tourist flight to space. NS-21 is expected to lift off from Launch Site One in West Texas, the company said in a statement. NS-21 will fly six customer astronauts. The crew includes investor and NS-19 astronaut Evan Dick; electrical engineer and former NASA test lead Katya Echazarreta; business jet pilot and action aviation chairman Hamish Harding; civil production engineer Victor Correa Hespahan; adventurer and dream variation ventures co-founder Jaison Robinson; and explorer and co-founder of private equity firm Insight equity Victor Vescovo, commander, USN (ret).



"TACT IS THE ART OF MAKING A POINT WITHOUT MAKING AN ENEMY" -HOWARD NEWTON

Virender Kapoor

If you count the number of people you interacted with yesterday, you will realise that with some you spent only a minute, say the milkman who came to deliver milk at home in the morning. You spoke to your mother for a few minutes before going to school, and your friend next door who boards the same school bus for 10 minutes.

At school, it's different because you have many friends and teachers who you interact with for more than 6 to 8 hours. Likewise, we interact with different people of different age groups, with different tastes and different educational and awareness levels. Do you think you connect and interact with all these people appropriately? You may have, but there is a lot one can learn about interacting effectively with others.

## Interacting with others



### WE NEED TO DEAL WITH OTHERS EVERY DAY

We have to interact with people at home, school and also in our social gatherings. In fact, dealing with people is a continuous phenomenon. While going to school you have to deal with the bus conductor, while shopping, you have to talk to the salesman, during recess, you have to deal with classmates as well as seniors. We may be familiar with most but some people we interact with only once in a while. For example, you know your real brother and sister very well but would not know your cousin who comes to stay with you for a couple of days from another city. Whether an interaction is short or long, it is important to ensure that we behave and deal with everyone appropriately.



### EACH ONE OF US HAS A DIFFERENT PERSONALITY

All five fingers of a hand are not the same, you would realise that all people are also not the same. Everyone has a different personality. Usually, the following is true:

#### EVERYONE HAS:

**DIFFERENT LIKES AND DISLIKES:** For example, some people like to play games and some of your friends don't like to play games.

**DIFFERENT SENSITIVITY LEVELS:** Some people can take criticism or a joke in a positive manner but some people get very annoyed if you joke with them.

**DIFFERENT TEMPERAMENT AND NATURE:** If you observe, some friends or your classmates are quite calm and some of them lose their temper fast. Some are aggressive and outspoken whereas some are very quiet and shy. Some are very sensitive and get upset very soon. We behave in different ways owing to our distinct natures and temperament.

**DIFFERENT BELIEFS:** Every person has a different way of looking at things because of various belief systems. This happens because we come from different regions, backgrounds, cultures and our upbringing is also different. Therefore, each one of us has a distinct personality.

**DIFFERENT EDUCATIONAL AND INTELLECTUAL LEVELS:** This matters a lot because when you speak to an educated well-informed person, you have to strike a conversation which will make sense to him. Likewise, if you speak to a class 3 child, you have to speak what interests him and what he understands.

Try to write your own personality in hundred words keeping the above in mind. You will learn a lot about yourself once you do this.

### THE BEST WAYS TO DEAL WITH OTHERS

To deal with different people, we should try to understand their personality as far as possible. Then it becomes easier to interact with them in a proper manner. For example, if you know that a classmate does not like that someone jokes about him, then it is best not to joke with him. If you don't follow this, you are bound to pick up a fight with that friend.

#### KEEP IN MIND THE FOLLOWING ASPECTS WHILE DEALING WITH OTHERS:

**DEVELOPING EMOTIONAL SENSITIVITY:** If your friend is very sensitive in nature or gets upset very easily, it is best to keep this in mind while interacting with him. Simple understanding of another person's nature is very important for friendship and good relations.

**LISTENING TO ANOTHER PERSON'S POINT OF VIEW:** Many times, while dealing with our friends we do not listen to their point of view. As people have different personalities and beliefs, they have different views about different things. It is a good habit to listen and consider other people's points of view. This also requires self-control and empathy for others.

**PUTTING YOURSELF IN OTHER'S SHOES:** While dealing with a person, ask yourself this: "How would I feel if I was in his place?" It will give you an idea about how to react in a particular situation with a particular person.

**PUTTING YOUR VIEWPOINT WITHOUT HURTING OTHERS:** It is very important to use your words carefully. It is not only important what you speak, it is also important how you speak. Read the story below to understand this.

### WHAT IS DIPLOMACY?

Diplomacy is defined as "art of dealing with people in a sensitive and tactful way". One has to be polite, prudent, have the ability to be delicate and thoughtful when the situation demands. Developing the art of diplomacy is a great way to build character

### BIRBAL'S DIPLOMACY

Once, Emperor Akbar had a dream that he had lost all his teeth. He called in an experienced astrologer to interpret his dream. The astrologer said, "The dream means that all of your majesty's relatives will die in front of you". Akbar was very upset and sent the astrologer to jail. A few days later, Akbar asked Birbal, his favourite and most witty minister, to interpret the dream and Birbal said, "The Emperor would live a longer, healthier and more fulfilling life than any of his relatives". Birbal got a huge reward for his interpretation.

The moral of the story is, it is important to know how to put your points across.

The writer is an author and educationist.

## Practise eco-philosophy, celebrate life

The value of life was perhaps not understood as well as we had thought till Covid-19 pandemic came into our lives. Previous indicators like GDP and GNP, which were materialistic, have faded and now we are all searching about how we can be happy. Governments have put their country's economic plans and programmes on hold, giving precedence to saving lives.

Life loves life – a notion emanating from the eco-philosophy of Henryk Skolimowski is a universal law. Since life loves to love life, life loves to wish to see life everywhere – not just human life, but life in the biosphere. Life wishes to see life even beyond Earth, a dream that one day may come true. Other planets in the cosmos where possibilities of life to evolve exist have always engaged our attention. Life wills life to prevail as intensively as possible!

Monocultures are not life-enabling. It tends to evolve and blossom in diversity, in heterogeneity. Not a single species is independent in itself. Every species and every individual of every species is dependent on numerous other species. The higher the level of biodiversity, greater the degree of resilience and sustainability. When we talk about life, we look deeply into our dependence on all life forms pre-



### LESSONS

vailing on Earth.

Exploration of other planets with even the smallest fraction of similarity with Earth excites entire humanity because life loves to love life. Our excitement and curiosity know no bounds when even a rudimentary hint of life comes to the fore. We feel thrilled when we look at footprints of what seems like rivers on the surface of the Red Planet; that perhaps there was once life on Mars! Maybe even now there are some microbes present, we don't know.

When we observed the Venus Transit, rare cosmic events that occurred in 2004 and 2012, we celebrated the event with joy. When Apollo 11 landed on the Moon and human footprints were left on the lunar surface in 1969, we felt on top of the world.

Life's love for life runs through our nerves. We jump with joy when told by scientists that one of Saturn's moon's atmosphere is similar to the Earth's. Same when the Chandrayaan mission discovers the possible presence of water, a symbol of life, on the moon. The very thought that we may not be alone in the universe fills us with hope. This curiosity, zeal, excitement, thrill, this happiness and joy are all there because of the universal law: Life loves to love life. Life desperately expands its scope, horizon, sphere, light and glory. Life, therefore, cannot be complacent with its existence confined to Earth. It strives to extend its wings to other dimensions.

May 4 is celebrated as Eco-philosophy Day. (Vir Singh is professor, department of environmental sciences, G B Pant University, Pantnagar).

## 5 yoga poses to control anger

Do you often feel angry? It will not help if you suppress your anger. Here is a list of yoga poses that will help to calm you

### BALASANA (Child's pose) 1

Balasana or the child's pose will calm your mind and strengthen your body. It will also improve your mind-body connection. **HOW TO DO IT:** Start by kneeling on the floor. Now, sit back on your heels. Bend forward from your hips until your chest is in contact with your thighs. Keep your hands at your side on the floor or extended in front of you. Hold this position for three to five minutes and return to the original position.

### SUKHASANA (Easy pose) 3

Sukhasana or the easy pose focuses on your breathing. It improves your concentration, calms your mind, strengthens your back, lowers stress and improves your body posture. **HOW TO DO IT:** Start by sitting down on the floor with your legs crossed. Keep your back straight and your hands on your knees. Inhale deeply paying attention to your breathing and then slowly exhale. Do this for about five minutes.

### MATSYASANA (FISH POSE) 2

Matsyasana or the fish pose is another yoga asana to control your anger and calm your mind. This pose will relieve stress and improve blood circulation to your head.

**HOW TO DO IT:** Sit in padmasana with your legs crossed. Hold your toes and lean back stretching your spine and neck. Try to touch your head on the floor. Your back should be arched. Hold this pose for a couple of seconds and come back to padmasana.

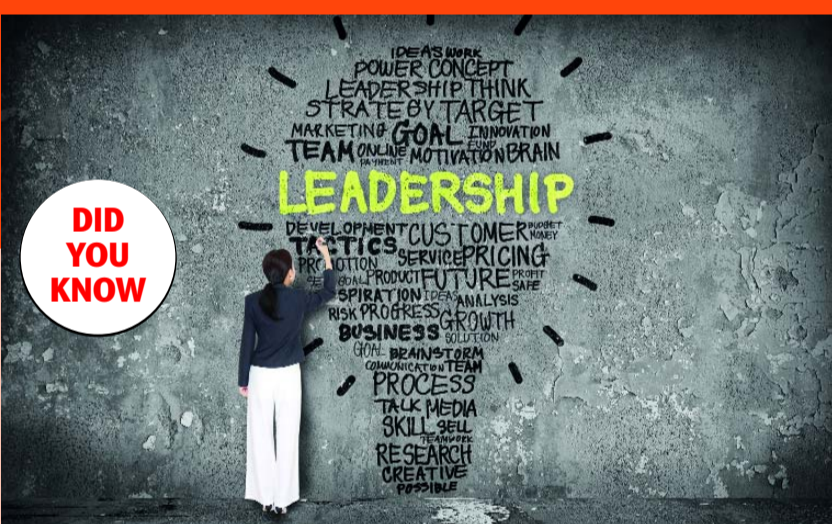
### SARVANGASANA (Shoulder stand pose) 4

Sarvangasana helps control anger by stabilising your nervous system. It improves flexibility and strengthens your body and mind. **HOW TO DO IT:** Lie down on the floor on your back with your hands at your side and feet together. Now, lift your legs up to form 90 degree angle with your body. Support and lift your body further by bending your elbows and keeping your palms under your waist. Hold this pose for a few minutes and come back to the original position.

### SAVASANA 5

Savasana or the corpse pose is one of the best yoga asanas to calm your mind and body. This relaxing asana will help you control anger. End your yoga routine with savasana.

**HOW TO DO IT:** Lie down on the floor on your back. Keep your hands at your side and feet slightly apart. Your palms should face upward. Your entire body should be relaxed and comfortable. Focus on your breathing. Stay in this position for about five minutes.



DID YOU KNOW

## THE FIVE B'S OF PURPOSEFUL LEADERSHIP

**1** Be clear about your role as a leader. You cannot choose your circumstances, but you can control your mindset. Your mindset determines whether you generate hope, inspiration, and energy around you – or bring everyone down. So, choose well.

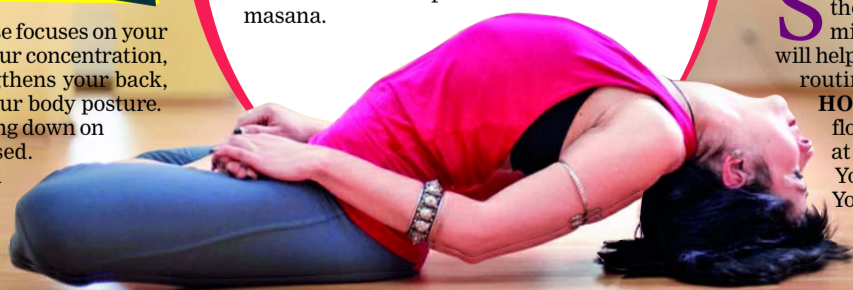
**2** Be driven by values. For the most part, we all agree on what is right: honesty, respect, responsibility, fairness, and compassion. On paper, every school has great values. But values are no good if they remain on paper. Being driven by values is doing right, not just knowing or saying what is right. Knowing and doing what is right is not always simple. If you refuse to give in to the "just this once" and remember to tell the truth and do what is right, choices become easier.

**3** Be authentic. We have been told the longest journey we will ever take is the 18 inches between our head and our heart. It is a long and arduous journey indeed.

Like most leaders of our generation, we believed emotions were not meant to be shared in an official context. Unlearn this and BE yourself, your true self, your whole self, the best version of yourself. Be vulnerable. This is something the new generation of leaders seems to grasp more intuitively and naturally.

**4** Be clear about who you serve. As a leader, you must serve the authorities in your school, your classmates and friends. You serve the people around you first by understanding what they need in order to give their best. Do your best to support them.

**5** Be clear about your purpose, the purpose of people around you, and how it connects with the purpose of the school.





# International Dance Day @ SGVP



International Dance Day, celebrated on April 29 annually across the globe to mark the birth anniversary of the modern ballet maestro, Jean-Georges Noverre is an iconic day for the connoisseurs of performing arts.

At SGVP too, we believe in appreciating all cultures and expressions, since we firmly believe in the concept of 'Unity in Diversity'. The celebration commenced with exposing learners to various art forms through multimedia presentations. They were educated about the barrage dance forms ranging from Indian classical dance forms to western dances. The dance teacher also gave a demonstration, explaining the finer and unique points of each form. Later the multi-faceted students of the class IV showcased their unique talent by swiftly moving on the beats of the song.

It was heartening to witness the performances of the students as they delightfully put their best foot forward and brought out a smile on everyone's faces through their expressions and innocence.

# RIS Sky Gazing Workshop

Rangoli International School in association with Orphicy organized a Sky Gazing Workshop for the students to witness a rare and unique astronomical event which took place after 1000 years during 1st week of May. Early morning of Sunday was well spent by students when they reached school. The team Orphicy headed by Arpit Mehta, showed them how to install a telescope followed by showing the 4 planets which included Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn showing their straight alignment in the sky with the telescope. He also shared information regarding planets and basics of astronomy. Enthusiasm of students and parents was remarkable.



# Students makes school proud



Darsh Dudhia studying in class VI, of St. Kabir Drive in Block B, has achieved Gold Medal in 7th Annual International Abacus, Vedic and Mental Math Olympiad (IN-AVMO), held during December 2021 - February 2022.

He has also achieved National Champion Trophy and certificate in Gamma Group for Level-4 and secured National Rank-10 in this exam.



Navya Shah class X studying in St. Kabir school, Drive in, won Silver Medal in the chess competition under 16 category in JITO Games 2022, which was held in Ahmedabad.

# ARDHA MATSYENDRASANA

Or 'half lord of the fishes pose' or 'sitting half spinal twist yoga pose' strengthens the spine and stimulates proper digestion. It helps improve posture. In Sanskrit 'ardha' means half and 'matsyendra' means lord of fishes and asana means pose.

### STEPS:

- Sit and stretch your legs out in front. Keep feet together and spine erect.
- Bend the left leg and place the heel of the left foot beside the right hip (optionally, you can keep the left leg straight).
- Bring right leg over left knee.
- Place left hand on right knee and right hand behind you.
- Twist the waist first, shoulders and then neck to the right and look over the right shoulder.



- Hold the spine erect.
- Remain in this position and breathe in and out for a while.
- Exhale and release the hand behind you, waist, chest and lastly neck. Relax.

- Repeat the same on the other side.
- BENEFITS:**
  - Makes spine flexible.
  - Increases the elasticity of the spine.
  - Improves concentration and memory power
  - Prevents back pain
  - Opens the chest and increases the oxygen supply to the lungs.
- It helps in balancing sugar
- PRECAUTIONS:**
  - Those with heart, spinal or brain injuries must not do this.
  - Those suffering from hernia, peptic ulcer or abdominal injuries should not attempt it.
- Do not bend or drop your shoulders while doing the asana.

R Ravivijay, Yoga Shikshak, Rajagiri Public School, Kalamassery, Ernakulam

\*Yoga should be practiced under the supervision of Yoga Guru. The views expressed in the above article are those of the author's and the newspaper takes no responsibility of it.

# HE IS ENTERPRISING AND CARING

India's biggest entrepreneur, industrialist, philanthropist and former chairman of the Tata Group and The Tata Sons has always inspired me. I too want to become a great entrepreneur who does good for society and helps the needy.

He is well known for the development activities he has initiated in his company and in India. He had started various charitable organisations under Tata Group during his time as the chairman, for which he has been awarded two of the highest civilian honours, the Padma Bhushan in 2000 and later the Padma Vibhushan in 2008. His hard work, practical and innovative mind has inspired millions. He got Tata Tea to acquire Tetley, Tata Motors to acquire Jaguar Land Rover, and Tata Steel to acquire Corus, in an attempt to turn Tata from a largely India-centrist group into a global business. This turned out to be a triumphant success. His great and motivational acts have encouraged many people around the world to create their own path and achieve success.



**RATAN TATA**  
INSPIRING ICONS

Like every successful person, he too has encountered troubles. His life wasn't always perfect, he also faced many problems along the way, but Tata always learnt from them. He has said, "Ups and downs in life are very important to keep us going in a straight line," which is a meaningful statement that teaches us

a lesson for life.

Ratan Tata is a great supporter of education, medicine and rural development and is considered a leading philanthropist in India. He has also supported The University of New South Wales Faculty of Engineering to develop capacitive deionization to provide improved water for challenged areas.

Even at the age of 84, he has stayed in good shape and follows a healthy diet which shows the importance of fitness with smartness.

He remains active in the events of the company. When I grow up, I wish to be a successful person who does good for the society and is loved by people just like Ratan Tata is. Like him, I too would like to be a person who motivates and inspires people all around the world.

Sanath Kothari, class VIII, St Joseph's Boys' High School, Bengaluru



# Creative Corner



Rahi Shah, Class VI, St Kabir School



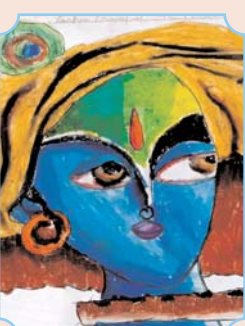
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# SRH MEET MI IN MUST-WIN GAME

## ROLLERCOASTER RIDE FOR HYDERABAD FOLLOWING FIVE MATCH LOSS

**T**heir play-off chances hanging by a thread, Sunrisers Hyderabad will need to snap their five-match losing streak when they take on an already eliminated Mumbai Indians in the IPL on Tuesday. It has been a rollercoaster ride for SRH who won five games in a row before losing the next five.

### HOPING FOR RESULTS

SRH, if they win their two remaining games including the one against MI, will jump to 14 points and then be left hoping that the other results go their way to have an outside chance of making the play-offs. But a loss against Mumbai at the Wankhede stadium will surely eliminate them, as there are already seven teams now with 12 or more points.

Hyderabad will need to put up a much improved show with the bat. Skipper Williamson is enduring a wretched run in this season and the Kiwi has collected just 208 runs from 12 games at an average of 18.92. He needs to find his mojo.

His opening partner Abhishek Sharma, who chipped in with a 43 in the last game, needs to convert the starts to big scores. But the duo would have their task cut out against a formidable Mumbai attack on a track that helps pacers.

SRH have the necessary fire-power in the middle-order with the likes of Rahul Tri-

Ishan Kishan and Rohit Sharma, captain of Mumbai Indians, take a run during the 51st T20 cricket match of the Indian Premier League 2022 (IPL season 15), between the Gujarat Titans and the Mumbai Indians.



pathi, Aiden Markram and swashbuckling Nicholos Pooran, but consistency has been an issue. Their middle-order crumbled in their last game against Kolkata Knight

Riders, which they lost by 54 runs, and hence the three would need to fire in unison. Equally crucial is the role of Washington Sundar and Shashank Singh as finishers.

### WARY OF MALIK

The MI batters will need to be wary of Malik, who is improving after every game and already has 18 wickets. MI will take confidence from their five-wicket win over Chennai Super Kings, whom they bundled out for 97 and probably look to dent SRH's chances.

But for Mumbai, the form of skipper Rohit Sharma and IPL's costliest buy Ishan Kishan are huge concerns. The duo needs to provide an aggressive start, especially in the absence of Suryakumar Yadav.

As far as the MI bowling is concerned, pacer Sams is right on the money and can wreak havoc at the start. The ever-reliable Jasprit Bumrah and Ri-

ley Meredith have also played their parts while rookie spinner Kumar Kartikeya Singh has been providing necessary breakthroughs in the middle overs. AGENCIES

**Head coach Tom Moody defended the move to open with an out-of-form Williamson and the New Zealander will need to prove his coach right**

### Upcoming IPL Match



MAY 17

7.30 PM

Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai



Photo: PFI

## SEVILLA DRAW AT ATLETICO MADRID

### A LATE GOAL SECURES CHAMPIONS LEAGUE SPOT

**A** late second-half header from Youssef En-Nesyri earned Sevilla a 1-1 draw at Atletico Madrid on Sunday, securing Julen Lopetegui's side Champions League qualification despite extending their winless run to four games. With Real Madrid already crowned champions and both Barcelona and Atletico assured of a top-four finish, the pressure was on Sevilla, who had drawn their previous three games.

### HEAD-TO-HEAD RECORD

Yet Sevilla equalised five minutes from fulltime following a mistake by Reinildo Mandava, who gifted the ball to Oliver Torres on the edge of his own area and the former Porto midfielder crossed perfectly for En-Nesyri to score for Sevilla. With one match remaining, the result left Sevilla fourth in the standings on 67 points, three ahead of Real Betis in fifth, but with a better head-to-head record than their local rivals.

The Copa del Rey winners, who had secured a Europa League spot, won 2-0 at home against Granada on Sunday. Barcelona were held to a goalless draw at Getafe, but still wrapped up a second-place finish in LaLiga to secure a spot in the lucrative Spanish Super Cup in Saudi Arabia. They are on 73 points, five ahead of third-placed Atletico.

### REAL HAS A SPOT

Real Sociedad also secured a spot in the Europa League after recovering from going a goal down to win 2-1 at Villarreal with second-half goals from Alexander Isak and Martin Zubimendi. They are sixth on 62 points, six ahead of Unai Emery's Villarreal side who could fail to qualify for European competition, after reaching the Champions League semi-finals this season. They are only one point ahead of eighth-placed Athletic Bilbao, who won 2-0 on Sunday against Osasuna. Villarreal play Barcelona next Sunday while Sevilla play Athletic, who are still fighting for seventh place and a spot in the Europa Conference League. AP



Sevilla fell behind at the Metropolitano when Atletico defender Jose Maria Gimenez scored the opener with a header in the 30th minute



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## MEDVEDEV BACK ON ATP TOUR AFTER WIMBLEDON BAN

**W**atching the recent news from Ukraine is "very upsetting," No. 2-ranked tennis player Daniil Medvedev said of the war that led Wimbledon organizers to ban him and other Russians.

The U.S. Open champion spoke at the Geneva Open where he returns to action after a five-week absence from the ATP Tour for surgery on a hernia injury. "I had some time to follow what is happening, yeah, it's very upsetting," Medvedev said when asked if he could monitor the conflict in Ukraine more closely while not playing.

Though most Olympic sports banned Russian teams and athletes from international competitions, tennis allowed players to continue as individuals and not representatives of their country.

Wimbledon organizers went further, announcing



Daniil Medvedev

three weeks ago with support from the U.K. a decision to impose a ban.

They said that could change "if circumstances change materially" in the war before the tournament begins June 27. Medvedev said in Geneva "I don't know if this decision is like 100%. If I can play, I'm happy to play at Wimbledon," he said. AP

## QUIZ TIME!

**Q1:** In which city was the finals of 2015 ICC World Cup played?

- Brisbane
- Sydney
- Melbourne
- Auckland

**Q2:** How many states are members of the Badminton Association of India?

- 20
- 25
- 28
- 22

**Q3:** The "Marquess of Queensberry rules" is a code of generally accepted rules in which of the following sports?

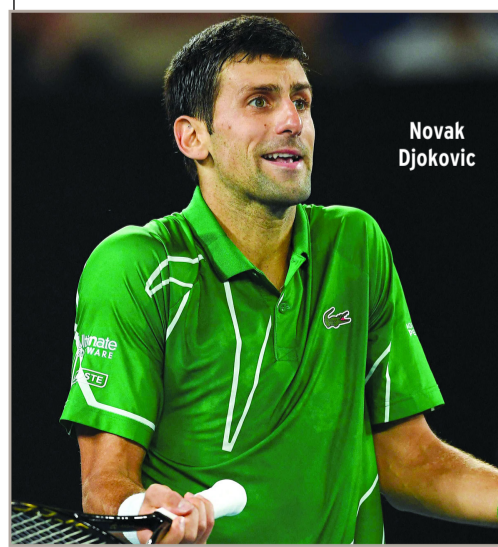
- Chess
- Boxing
- Hockey
- Tennis

**Q4:** Who was the first woman to win tennis's Grand Slam?

- Billie Jean King
- Maureen Connolly
- Margaret Court
- Martina Navratilova

**Q5:** Which of these players beat Novak Djokovic at the Monte Carlo Masters?

- Rafael Nadal
- Alejandro Davidovich Fokina
- Daniil Medvedev
- Roger Federer



Novak Djokovic

**Q6:** Who among the following is the first batsman to hit six sixes in an over?

- Garfield Sobers
- Ravi Shastri
- Ted Alletson
- Kapil Dev

**Q7:** In Kho-Kho, the players occupying the squares are known as \_\_\_\_\_?

- Lobby
- Raiders
- Chasers
- Chukker

**Q8:** How long is the world's record for the longest non-stop rally in table tennis?

- 6 hours, 15 minutes
- 8 hours, 40 minutes
- 11 hours, 50 minutes
- 8 hours, 20 minutes

**Q9:** At the Rio 2016 Olympics Summer Games, which country won all of the gold medals in table tennis?

- Japan
- Germany
- China
- India

**ANSWERS:** 1. c. Melbourne 2. c. 28  
3. b. Boxing 4. b. Maureen Connolly  
5. b. Alejandro Davidovich Fokina  
6. a. Garfield Sobers 7. c. Chasers  
8. c. 11 hours, 50 minutes 9. c. China