



## FROBEL ACADEMY

### Dear Parents

It's been a wonderful opportunity to spend time in school with our students. Despite the hardship we have all faced in 2021, we were overjoyed when the government announced the decision to open schools in September 2021. By the Grace of Almighty God and the hard work and effort of our team, our beautiful, state of the art, and spacious campus of nearly 125,000 covered squared feet was ready to welcome the children. The huge space allowed us to bring the children safely into classrooms. Alongside we ensured all the other safety measures including social distancing and COVID safety protocol marks around the campus as frequent reminders to the young learners. At the heart of all our endeavours is the desire to keep the needs of children central to all our decisions. Hence, to ease them back into the physical world and to get them acclimatised to the new routine, we started with fewer days a week. Our teachers put in their heart and soul to ensure that each day they spent inside the school was filled with joy and fun. Activities were planned so that they didn't feel the burden of the academic pressure, but rather revelled in their time with their peers, friends, and explored the new campus. Children learn better when they are comfortable and happy, and we are happy to report that our children have settled into a wonderful routine and are now excited and eager to come to school. Through tireless effort of our admin team, most of our spaces are now in use, and this includes STEM, Makerspace, Science, Robotics, Maths, and Gaming Lab as well as our gorgeous Cafe with its colourful furniture. New outdoor gym equipment, swings, and monkey bars have been added along with the jungle gym. We are now working on creating a pet house and levelling our outdoor field so that it can be used from January onwards. In addition to this, we are continuing to improve our transport services to facilitate our students a better and fun filled travel time. We look forward to start the new term on 9th January 2022 while maintaining the highest standards of health and safety protocols. May you all remain safe and healthy. Enjoy the winter vacation.

Happy New Year!  
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Our academic year started online in August and keeping our innovative practices in mind, we began with a **Challenge Week** for learners. To ensure the tradition of a fun beginning to a new year of learning, our team created challenges that would motivate the learners to gear up for their new classes and develop team spirit. This was followed by **Crazy Hair Day** and we were inspired by the creative methods in which students did their hair despite attending school online. The spirit of fun and creativity won our hearts. The **National Mourning Day** of 15th August was respected by our learners and teachers and stories of the sacrifices our father of the nation made along with the martyrs were recounted.

September began on a positive note and the mood changed to excitement when the government announced the decision to open schools. Our academic and admin team eagerly welcomed the learners in our beautiful campus. Our campus came to life with the laughter of young voices. To facilitate the return of our learners and to get them used to the new building and new routine, the better part of the day was devoted to fun challenges, games, and activities so that they could all get to know each other and the teachers. This time was also used to establish our **Health and Safety Protocols** and instill them in our young learners.

Two of our students Umme Kulsum, Grade 5, and Hridhan Behrouz, Grade 3, participated in the World Karate and Martial Arts Championship 2021.



**October** brought a whirlwind of activities. The month started with celebration of **Teachers' Day** with a series of entertainment provided for the teachers. Learners made little handmade thank you cards for our hardworking and committed academic team. We also celebrated the accomplishment of our **Maths Lab and Science Lab** and a big thanks to Farmeem's Interior Design for their inspiring ideas to bring these spaces to life. **Animals' Day** was a chance for learners to don their costumes and pledge their support to environmental efforts to protect animals of the land. The **Global Hand-Washing Day** with the theme of "Our future is at hand – let's move forward together" was recognized with discussions on the necessity for frequent hand washing. Our learners took on the commitment to create awareness in the community on this issue. On the occasion of **Durga Puja**, our learners learnt the importance of this day through conglom activities. It's important for children to know about the religious significance of all holidays and have respect for them. Our First Quarter Parent-Teacher Conference for the session 21-22 took place physically on 23rd October. Parents had Interactive discussions with their children's teachers to cherish their success and plan for their further progress as well.

The **World Food Day** was organized over a period



**In November, Foundation Day** for Frobels Academy's new campus was celebrated with great splendor. 1st November was the first day when the entire learners community came to the school and the joyous occasion was marked by the presence of esteemed board of directors from BSRM and Frobels Academy as well as other guests. A wonderful programme was hosted by the children and they promised to take on the responsibility of maintaining our gorgeous, state of the art campus that has been designed to keep learning through fun at the heart of every activity.

The completion of our **STEM Lab** by Farmeen's Interior Design was celebrated. The STEM lab is the first of its' kind in Chattogram and boasts of advanced equipment that would provide learners with unique opportunities in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. **Character Day** was a huge hit, as learners loved dressing up as their favourite characters. It was exciting to see that the entire learners' community enjoyed the event. **Eid e-Milad-un Nabi's** significance was explained through congloms and the children conducted a programme of hamd and na'at recitation in school. 'Investing in our future means investing in our children', and hence, to honor the UN's theme of **World Children's Day**,



Frobel Academy was proud to host students from Burhani BSRM school. The underprivileged children from BSRM school loved taking advantage of the amazing facilities of Frobel Academy and played games. Volunteers from our key stage 2 classes guided and mentored the BSRM school children and our younger key stage 1 children participated in various games and activities with BSRM school students. Apart from this, to create awareness about children's rights and responsibilities, a great number of discussions and activities were organised within and outside classrooms. Abinta Kabir Foundation's Little Artist competition took place in our art and craft lab and provided a wonderful opportunity for our young artists to express their creativity.

**Shaheed Buddhijibi Dibosh**, remembering the intellectuals, was honored on 14th December and **Victory Day** celebrations for the entire school took place throughout the week and on 16th December. **Student Led Conference** took place December 22 and 23 where students took pride to present their growth of learning to their family and teachers by sharing their learner's portfolio. This event provides opportunity to demonstrate their confidence as well as their ownership towards learning.



# LEARNERS' THOUGHTS



## A Boat Race

It was a hot Sunday morning in Khulna. The land near the Rupsha river was gripped by the festive grip. It was the Annual Boat Race. Tall coconut trees lined around the calm green river which buzzed with enthusiasm. Overjoyed and cheerful spectators wearing colourful traditional clothes surrounded me. My family and I were thrilled but we were also nervous because we wanted boat number seven to win.

There were ten teams in total and they all were sitting on their long and giant boats which had abstract patterns on them. 110 competitors looked smart and proud in their single coloured uniform. Each team had a colour which they adored.

The referee blew a whistle and the race started. The 110 oars touched the waster in harmony. Drums started to beat and the audience danced and sang to the rhythm of the drums. The jet black snake boats glided swiftly on the ripples of the serene water. Racers ploughed furiously through the water. It was almost like an India Pakistan match. Oarsmen paddled in a synchronized rhythm was really one of a kind. The festive spirit of the race breezed through the audience and they broke out into a frenzy. Tension arose in the audience as they wanted their favorite team to win. Boat number 7 dashed past the other boats with incredible speed and won the race. The electrifying physical strength of the rowers took the boat to the winning point. Everyone in the audience started cheering and clapping for the winning team. My family and I were super delighted as we wanted that team to win.

I would love to come and visit the Annual Boat Race again next year.

**Ayan Tahmeed     Grade 6**

## Name: Mohammed Ahnaf Awsaf

Subject: English

Chapter: Essay

TOPIC: A boat Race

The land was gripped by the festive grip. It was time for the annual boat race. This time, it was Khulna's time to host the event in the Rupsha river. Even the weather seemed to celebrating. The sun shone brightly in the clear blue sky. Time to time, a gentle breeze blew. Loud cheers were heard and the uproars of the crowds began as the black jetty boats marched onto the river, The sounds of joy and laughter filed the air. I felt tensed and intrigued at the same time to see how this famous race would turn out.

The famous snake boats have a unique structure. They have a broad middle and tapered end. All the boats were freshly painted and seemed like centipedes when the rowers positioned themselves on the boats all ready with the oars. Each boat was equally filled with energetic men but had different number and color printed on their uniforms. The boats shone in the bright sun as they all got ready to start the race.

The rower started the race immediately after the whistle was blown. The 114 oars touched the water in perfect harmony. The racers ploughed furiously through the water. The match became intense. One after one, boats were overtaken by each other. The winner was not certain but the furious snake boats were the favorites as they were in the leas most of the time. Tremendous excitement grew among the spectators.

Banging of drums increases as the race came to an end. The champion was announced on the loud speaker. It was Modhupra boat won!! They were very good at finishing which made them the champion. Some spectators were glum others were in festive mood. End of the day, with tremendous excitement and wide smiles Modhupra rowers lifted the trophy.

## The Secret Room

Subject: English

Chapter: Essay

"We will be back from the shop soon!" shouted my mom from downstairs slamming the front door as she went outside. I dragged the box, which had my room decors, to my room.

I opened the box and started arranging my room. I stared at the wall ahead. A faint stream of light caught my eyes. It came from the old and rusty closet. The mysterious blue light intrigued me. I opened the closet, I heard a creak. I jumped and the door swung open and I found myself in a pitch dark room. It had a musty and fetid smell for being locked up for ages. It was so dark that the ceiling looked perpetual. There was a table with a long stick on top of the stick on which sat a blue glowing stone. Some metal robotic dragons were hanging from the ceiling. On the table and floors, there were papers on which bemusing things were written. It looked like some chemical names and experiment results. I was starting to think it is a lair of a scientist. When I was exploring the secret lair, I suddenly heard the voice of my mom yelling, "I am back, have you arranged your room?"

I quickly ran down with the closet open. "Mom! Mom! You have to see this, there is a secret lair behind my closet!" I exclaimed in excitement. She was really surprised and her heart was beating as fast as a cheetah. She quickly informed the guards of the building and they called the landlord. After a while, the landlord came and looked at the lair. The government took the robotic dragons and the papers and as a reward for informing them about the lair, they let me keep the robotic dragon and the lair. I thanked them for letting me keep the robotic dragon and the lair.

From then on I kept all my important stuff in that lair and it became my favorite place in the whole.

**Zuwairiyah Pariza     Grade 6**

# LEARNERS' THOUGHTS

## Brainstorming

Setting	Problem	Solution
1. Jungle	a) Some creepy people	a) The mouse heard the lion screaming.
2. Hot day	b) The lion got trapped	b) The mouse saved the lion.
3. Afternoon		
4. Field		

A few weeks later the lion was sleeping on a hot day in the jungle. A mouse named Cofi was grabbing some food when he mistakenly bumped in to the lion. The lion woke up angrily and tried to chase the mouse but he was too smart. The mouse quickly climbed the tree. Cofi said, "Don't hurt me! I can save your life one day." The lion got surprised and let the mouse go.

It was almost night time. Suddenly some hunters came to kill the lion. They trapped the lion in a big net. He angrily shouted but no one came to save the lion. Just then, Cofi ran and cut the net with his sharp teeth. The lion was free now. The lion said to Cofi that, "you are small in my eyes but in my mind you are a life saver. Thank you!"

**Azra Maryam Jahin**  
Grade 4 Marie

## The Beast with The Wonderful Pray

A few weeks later the Lion was sleeping but when he woke up, he saw he was trapped. The mouse was sad and tried to help but when he tried to come close the hunters came and took the lion in the city. The mouse followed the lion and he found a lion's dead body, but he was sure that it wasn't the lion he was looking for. After an hour he found the lion. The mouse freed the lion with his teeth by cutting the net he was trapped in. The lion came out and ate all the hunters

**Mukarrabin Irfat Mehjad**  
Grade 4 Marie

Handwritten student work on a yellow background. The page is from 'FREEEL ACADEMY' and contains a brainstorming table with columns for 'What to see?', 'What I did?', and 'What to tell?'. The table lists items like 'Bonds', 'Village', 'Night garden', 'Strangers', 'Cave goats and sheep', and 'House and house'. Below the table is a drawing of a black van parked in a field with trees and a person in the driver's seat.

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# LEARNERS' THOUGHTS

Annus - 5N

SLC

English: The day I became king

Right before math class started Miss Sarah asked me and Tasha to go to the lab and get her pen. Me & Tasha held hands as we skipped through the hall way. When we finally reached the lab we went looking for the pen, when suddenly my mind knocked a piston and it fell all over me. Tasha trembling in fear looking at them tell me. She ran off with the pen. I was stuck in the lab tiny! I couldn't reach anything when all of a sudden a paper fell on me. Of course it was huge and heavy. I tried to read the writing in large font on the paper. To my shock it was the solution on how to get back to normal. I took a piece of cardboard and glue from the floor. Thanks god I was karateky I made a ladder. I climbed up and found a box written "Blue Ashes" I lit up the fire. And according to the paper I had to blow it to get big. I blowed and blowed for half an hour. When it finally was ashes I poured it on me and I turned big as I ran back to class everyone looked at me curiously. Tasha ran out of the room looking at me. And of course Miss asked me alot of questions. And yes I was sent to the principles office and got detention for skipping math class. And yet nobody believed I got that except our lab teacher.

Ania - 5N

English

The Horse And The Tortoise

The hare accepted the challenge. The race starts at the beginning of the path and ends at the finish line. They started the race. The hare cheats in every challenge so he also cheated in this race. He was a shrewd but he didn't know the short cut path was blocked. When he had enter the shortcut he saw a tortoise. The tortoise was a small white tortoise and was without leaves. He felt really scared. While the tortoise doesn't cheat and was confident enough to win the race. He saw some spiky sounds like cats meowing and dogs barking. Then the hare saw a dark black shadow with shining yellow eyes. He was so scared that he ran as fast as he could. While the tortoise was slow. He was away from the finish line. Finally, the tortoise reached the finish line. After some minutes the tortoise noticed that the hare is not here. He was sure if the hare got lost, there was a monkey watching the race with the other animals. He shouted "We should go look for him. I heard that there is a shortcut path back to the race field. That's a shortcut to the finish line." The tortoise shook its head and went back to the tortoise. While they were looking for hare, the hare came close near the finish line. He looked exhausted and sad. The tortoise from the back the hare looked back and went to the tortoise.

Zoya Aamein



ROSE ACADEMY My personal Recount  
 Class 4  
 7th June 2021 (Thursday)

When I wake up and I did breakfast then I sat for the online class. When I was done, I did my lunch. Then, I went out for playing football. When I came, it was evening that time there was all my relatives. That time they said "Surprise!!" I was very much joy. At that time I went to my kitchen and I saw my new parrot. When I came I cut both of the cakes. Next, my relatives gave me gifts.



## Recruitment Efforts

Our admin and HR team has been busy with recruitment efforts, and we are looking forward to hire more experienced teachers for our grade 7 classes that will start in August 2022. If you know anyone who is interested to have a career with Frobela Academy, the CV can be sent at [info@frobelaacademy.com](mailto:info@frobelaacademy.com) or through our career portal at <https://www.frobelaacademy.com/career/>.

## Professional Development Programme

A great teacher needs to continuously update her knowledge and skills to remain a steadfast role model for learners. Keeping this in mind, Frobela Academy works hard to ensure professional development opportunities for our academic team. Our esteemed principal and director Huwra Tehseen Zohair, and academic director and key stage 2 head, Insiyah Zohair, completed the certificate in School Management and Leadership from Harvard Business School. The English department teachers have been undergoing a long and fruitful training course from our independent Indian and Canadian consultants. A workshop on resilience and well being by esteemed Mr. Ranjan De Silva was organised and hosted by Frobela Academy for the teachers to help them manage the transition back into physical school. Our in-house trainer and lead of English Department, Alisha Changi, has been conducting conversational English workshops for approximately 45 teachers at Frobela Academy and Frobela Play School. Our special educator consultant Ms. Bipasha Mukherjee designed and implemented workshops on hands on activities. Sunderji's Teachers Training Institute helped us through our induction programme for teachers in August. Ms. Shainaz Jussa, a jolly phonics trainer from India, executed a training to ensure our primary teachers are well versed on teaching children through the use of jolly phonics. Monthly Maths workshops are behind held by trainers of Jodogyan, India.





## Frobel Training Academy

Frobel Training Academy proudly hosted the **Graduation Ceremony** in November for the third batch of Pre-Primary and Primary Teachers' Training Course (PPTC). The PPTC course is a collaboration with Sunderji's Global Academia and is developed by their prestigious Sunderji Teachers' Training Institute team. It offers those who are interested in teaching to learn about child development, English, principles of education, and 21st century skills.

Our fourth batch of PPTC trainees are already half way through their hybrid course, and have also gained opportunities for internships in Frobel Academy and Frobel Play School.



### Announcements

**Winter Holiday: 24th December 2021 – 8th January 2022**

**First Day of Term 2: 9th January 2022**

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