

From Sandy beaches to Snowy peaks

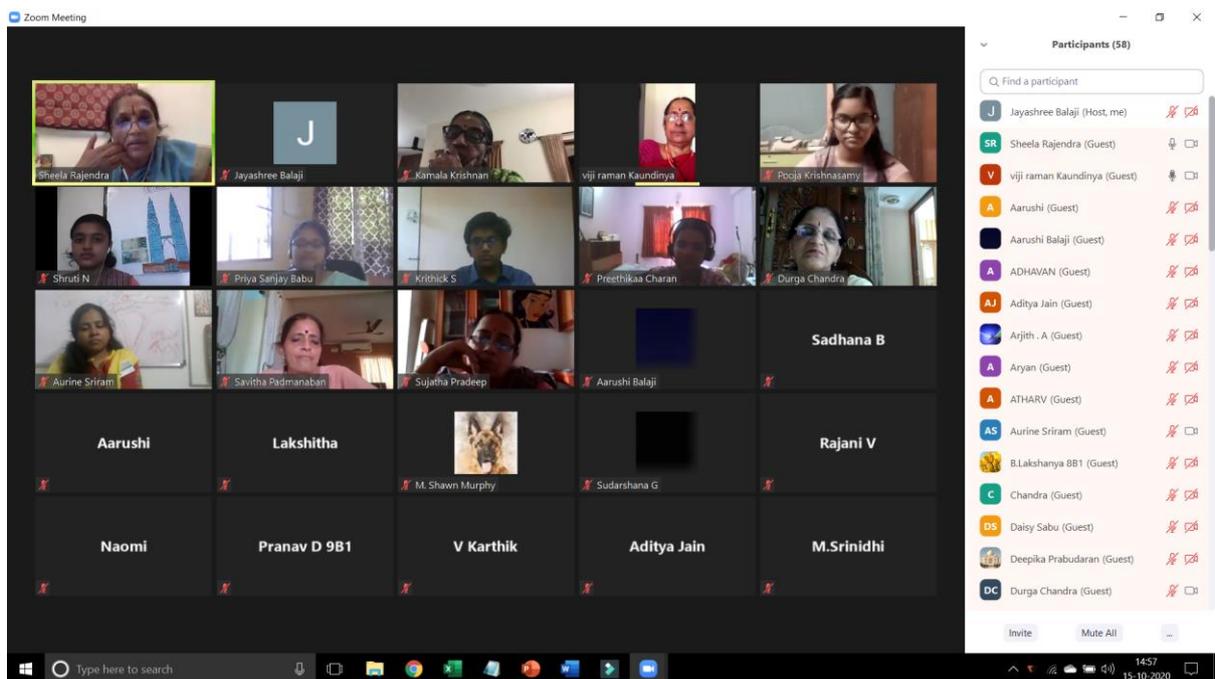
“We travel not to escape life, but for life not to escape us.” Tourism is the act of travel for the purpose of leisure, pleasure or business. Tourism can be viewed from different perspectives. It is motivated by the natural urge of every human being for new experience, adventure, education and entertainment. The people who love travelling are simply the people who enjoy their lives to the fullest. The 27th of September is totally dedicated to these people as World Tourism Day. Unfortunately, currently due to COVID-19 pandemic all these travel lovers are forced to stay locked in their houses. But we at PSBB Siruseri compensated the disappointed travel lovers by celebrating World Tourism day with a month long event.

On the 15th of October we had the valedictory function to give a formal closure for the long event. Social Science teachers from different branches were present including our teacher hosts. The chief guest for the event was our own Dean and Director **Mrs. Sheela Rajendra**. Firstly, we had an invocation to god by Lakshita of 9th grade. Just as we pray for a good and safe journey before travelling, so did we for this virtual voyage. Then came the welcome address by Vineeth of 9th grade. Srita of std. IX introduced Mrs. Sheela Rajendra who has the proud distinction of having travelled to almost all the countries in the world.

Then came the Virtual voyage to France presented by primary students. Discovering the undiscovered – Gandikota was up next, followed by the report of Wanderlust, a series of quizzes conducted for the middle school students by the seniors. Discovering the undiscovered - Gurez Valley, the picturesque travel destination was highlighted through a video. What was new to the audience was a tour of **Fiscal monuments**. We would have travelled to so many places carrying different currencies used in different countries. Have we ever been curious to see and know about the monuments depicted in each currency? Three artists had exhibited their talent by drawing to perfection the Sanchi Stupa, The Petrona Towers and the Tri An Hydropower plant which feature in the Indian, Malaysian and Vietnamese currencies. Discovering the undiscovered – Tarangambadi was the next travel destination. Then we had a Travel trivia on Spain, Brazil and Australia

.The tidbits on the fictional bridges on Euros and how the Dutch have made it a reality in the town of Spijkenisse, South Holland, was a revelation.

Then we had the Dean's address and she appreciated us for all the flawless presentations. She also stated her craving for travel and how she missed it these days. She fondly recalled how she and Mrs. YGP would compare the travel notes to see who has visited the highest number of places. And finally, she insisted on all of us maintaining a scrapbook holding all pictures from our different travels. She said they were a life time treasure. She suggested it is worth investing in travel because it is an education by itself. She also said that travel creates more memories. Finally, we had the vote of thanks by Chandra of 9th grade and the prayer by Karthick of 9th grade. Unity is strength.... When there is teamwork and collaboration wonderful things can be achieved. Transforming into arm-chair travellers was a unique experience for all of us and we realised that there are endless destinations in this beautiful world.





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