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## From the Editor's Desk...

*Mrs. Shahina Mahmood*

*Assalam O Alaikum*

### Welcome to Footprints!

Ebians, teachers, parents and new readers will be wondering.... Footprints?! The answer is simple; one positive step forward. Remember Neil Armstrong - the first man to walk on the moon said, 'One small step for man, a giant leap for mankind.'

We, at Education Bay, are aiming high and intend to leave our footprints for posterity to follow – footprints of values, civic sense and social welfare with a liberal sprinkling of humour so as to let the feet move with a skip and a beat in all the meaningful tasks we undertake.

The first issue of Footprints is in your hands. We feel that it is undoubtedly an important step in the development of communication across grade levels, teachers and parents.

Our first issue contains all the news and events happening in the school campus during the first academic term. We are also featuring students' work, pearls of wisdom, classroom news and much more...

You are invited to take the first step forward with us and together we can hope to create a better and brighter future for our children.S

## MidTerm Exam Update

The Midterm Examination was held from 7<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> December 2009 in the preprimary, primary and secondary sections.

Report cards will be given out during the Parent Teacher Meeting which will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 2010.

On the last day of examination students at all grade levels happily arranged classroom parties and invited the school Director, Principal and teachers as well. Special invitation cards were made by students to invite the administrative and teaching staff. Classrooms were beautifully decorated for the occasion. Food and drinks were brought by students from home.

A thorough clean-up of all the classrooms was also carried out by

students in the end under the teachers' assistance and guidance.S

Lives of great men all remind us  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And, departing, leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of time;  
Footprints, that perhaps another,  
Sailing o'er life's solem main,  
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,  
Seeing, shall take heart again.  
Let us, then, be up and doing,  
With a heart for any fate;  
Still achieving, still pursuing,  
Learn to labour and to wait.

- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow  
A Psalm of Life



### SOE Project

Students at Education Bay have taken an active part in the tree plantation drive within school premises.

“We can learn a lot from trees. They’re always grounded but never stop reaching heavenward.”  
~ Everett Mamor

## Save Our Earth Project

The Department of Science at Education Bay started a tree plantation project in November 2009 to highlight the importance of a greener and cleaner environment in the city. Each of the four Houses in all classes was required to

bring small tree plants which were planted inside the school premises along the boundary walls. Not only would this enhance the beauty of the area, but it would also add fresh, clean oxygen to the environment.S

## CMPHR

Education Bay became a member of the *Children’s Museum for Peace and Human Rights* in September 2009. The organization aims to create a socially just and stable society in Pakistan, where children and young people grow up as aware, active and participating citizens who are able and willing to make significant positive contributions to their communities.

The students have already

participated in ‘I Have a Dream of a Perfect World’ Campaign where they had to pen down personal reflections on what they believe constitutes a harmonious world.

Students will now participate in an Art Activity in January where they will design posters to protect the planet. The aim is to help children realize that the issue of environment conservation is an urgent and important one.S

## Sadqa Collection

The sadqa collection activity began during Ramadan in all classes with students bringing in a money bank to their classrooms to collect charity for the poor. The activity continued throughout the holy month.

At the end of Ramadan the amount was donated to Anjuman-



e-Kashana-e-Atfaal by a group of O Level students.

The activity aims to inculcate in children a sense of gratitude for the blessings they have as well as a spirit of sharing those blessings with others.S

## Sports in Spotlight

Apart from the exciting Annual Sports Day held in November ‘09, our school also hosted an Under 16 Inter School Tennis Tournament within the school premises from 20<sup>th</sup> October - 5<sup>th</sup> November. Different schools in the city participated actively in this tournament. Habib Nasir of Class X and Omer Noorani of VIII-B bagged the 2<sup>nd</sup> position in Under 16 Doubles.

Education Bay’s basketball team teamed up for matches in the Basketball Tournament held at Agha Khan Sports & Rehabilitation Centre on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November ‘09.

The football team will be playing various matches in Under 11 Football League Tournament which will be held at various locations from 30<sup>th</sup> November ‘09 - 19<sup>th</sup> March ‘10. A special coach has been hired in order to train the students after school hours for these challenging upcoming matches.S

Try these tongue twisters!

- A quick-witted cricket critic.
- Theodore threw three free throws!

## Preprimary News

The little ones in the preprimary sections have been actively engaged in academic activities.

Montessori children had an exciting day as their teacher staged a classroom puppet show in December. Children enjoyed 'Colour Days' as well. On Yellow Day, they came all dressed up in yellow dresses and painted sunflowers in artwork.

Lower Nursery children pasted rubber bands on a huge fish to make fish scales in their Environmental Studies class. Their little fingers worked

## Primary News

The primary students in Grade I amazed everyone with their perky projectworks that were a part of First Assessment tests. They made interesting scrapbooks about their families in Environmental Studies and pasted, coloured and labelled parts of Polly the parrot in their English class.

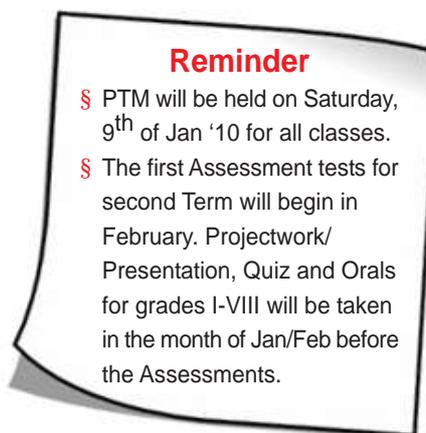
Grade V did an interesting project about imagining themselves as princes or paupers and writing about it. Students came up with interesting pieces of writing, some even had themselves photographed while dressed up as princesses or beggars!

The best assignments were put up

dexterously to thumb-print ants on letter 'a' templates prepared by their teacher. Sponge-painting and collage work further livened up various lessons.

Upper Nursery students put in all their efforts to make Food Faces on paper plates. These little artists drew and coloured bananas for lips, fried eggs for eyes and carrots for noses. They even wore pointy paper noses in their English class as lessons in letter N continued.

A very happy Second Term to all our little ones! §



on the bulletin board in school to encourage and appreciate good work.

We look forward to even better presentations in the second term.§

## Secondary News

The academics are in full swing in the secondary section as well. Grade VI made colourful pamphlets advertising imaginary products of their own in English class.

Grade IX students wrote Acrostic poems in English Language class. Here is what Shahmeer Abbasi came up with:

*Love of God*

*Laughter takes the place of tears*

*Our hearts are full of joy*

*Vast heavens open wide*

*Eternal life is rewarded*

Grade XI had to design posters advocating Animal Rights and students came up with eye-catching artwork after a week of discussion and research work. The best ones were made by Fahad Mansoor, Komal Abbasi and Faryal Malik. Fahad's poster 'Wailing Whales' condemned illegal whale hunting whereas Komal's poster decried animal killings to obtain fur. Faryal Malik focused on Rights of Pets and highlighted the inhumane treatment of animals by human beings.§

## Did you know?

§ One in five adults in the developing world — almost 862 million people — cannot read or write.

§ Most illiterate persons are female. In more than 20 developing nations, women's illiteracy rates exceed 70%.

§ As much as 115 million children of primary school age are not enrolled in school.

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Play your part...  
help educate a  
poor child in your  
spare time!



'The great aim...  
of education is  
not knowledge  
but action.

- Herbert Spencer


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## Qirat Competition

Qirat Competition was held for students from grade II–VII on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2009 in school. The competition was judged by Ms.

Maryam and Mr. Fahad Haroon and the best students were given certificates of achievement and prizes in the end. S

## Clubs

Education Bay will launch Clubs during the Second Term to provide students with greater opportunities to develop and polish their various skills and interests. Flyers detailing Club activities will be put up in school for students to decide on the club they wish to join.

The Clubs will be offered to secondary students with the following themes:

- Community Service
- Arts & Craft
- Science and Technology
- Literary Club
- Sports Club

## Grand Mela

The school will host a Grand Mela in March with buggy rides, exciting games and a plethora of stalls sending ripples of excitement among students,

teachers, parents and guests alike! Details will be posted on the school website later. S

## Steps to Success

A new teacher, Ms Sakina Kisat, was hired by the administration for the **Steps to Success** program in order to facilitate primary students in weak areas.

Ms. Sakina provides individual

attention to such students in special periods assigned during school hours after analyzing and assessing the needs of a student in a particular subject. S

Do you ...



**Be the change you want to see in the world!**