

# Eco Hub Newsletter

2020-21



# The New Normal

This has probably been one of the worst pandemics that humankind has gone through. Our lives as students have changed so much, that if we look back now, we will not even recognize our past lives. And while it is wrong to be positive about the pandemic that has destroyed the lives of many others, there is a silver lining to this cloud of darkness that looms over us, nature has awakened.

In different countries around the world, you see proof of it. Coyotes and foxes are now being seen in American cities and deer have entered the subway stations in Japan more than once.

In our own country, a nilgai was spotted in Noida, a sambar in Chandigarh, a rhinoceros near Guwahati and peacocks on the streets of Coimbatore. The Olive Ridley turtles that appear on the beaches of Odisha every year, are nesting undisturbed in large numbers, benefiting from the lack of human predators.

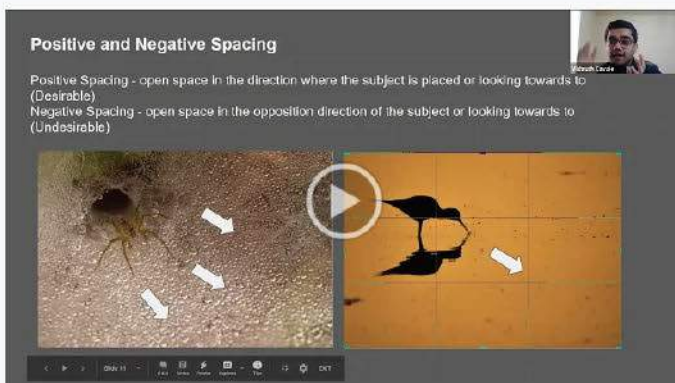
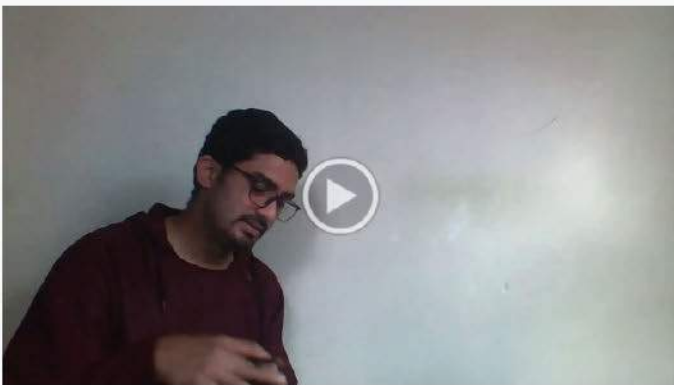
Here's what the students off the Eco Hub Club in our school have to say about the change that we have gone through this academic year.

*"The change from offline to online wasn't good but we made use of the online platform to our advantage and to the benefit of the Eco Hub members. The people who actively participated in photography took this in their stride, they made this change feel good (moving from offline to online). Vishruth and I made materials on photography and I put up assessments and this was new as we always did photography on field. And our biggest sense of pride under Eco Hub Photography was the 2021-22 calendar."*

*~ Avigat Pandey (9C)*

# Online Classes

This year, like the other classes that we have attended, the Eco Hub classes were held online. These were unlike the online classes that we have got used to as they were pre-recorded and uploaded onto the respective Google Classrooms. We had Google Classrooms for different sectors including Artwork, Photography, Newsletter and many others. The videos uploaded by the mentors and teachers could be watched by the students who had signed up for the various activities, in their own time. The photography videos were done by Avigat Pandey, a student and Vishruth Cavale, who is an alumnus of our school. The art videos were done by Barghav Sir. The photography sector had assignments in which questions were asked based on the recordings that were uploaded. The art sector had us uploading our artwork onto the Google Classroom based on different styles of art. It was truly an enormous difference compared to the activities that were done last year, but a leap of faith was taken by the teachers and mentors to make it a success.





## E – Calendar

This year Eco Hub provided many opportunities for students to appreciate nature a lot more, with guidance from the alumni and resource persons.

The E – Calendar on wildlife is an initiative by Avigat Pandey of Class 9 and has a collection of original photos from Eco Hub members. The complete E – Calendar 2021-22 can be found on Edchemy.


**These are a few of the shots that were included :**





# Sustainable Lifestyle

Sustainable living is of utmost importance in today's world. Sustainable living is a lifestyle that attempts to reduce an individual's use of the Earth's natural resources and personal resources. We constantly try to reduce our carbon footprints by altering our methods of transportation, energy consumption, and diet. We must try our level best to lead sustainable lives as it comes with enormous advantages like reduction of emissions and pollution, increase access to jobs, promotion responsible trade and decrease of poverty rates. Though we can't change the entire world overnight, we can at least take a few steps towards it in our daily lives, like using public transport, eliminating the excessive use of fossil fuels and the conservation of water.



# The Call to Create

## There Will be More Light Tomorrow

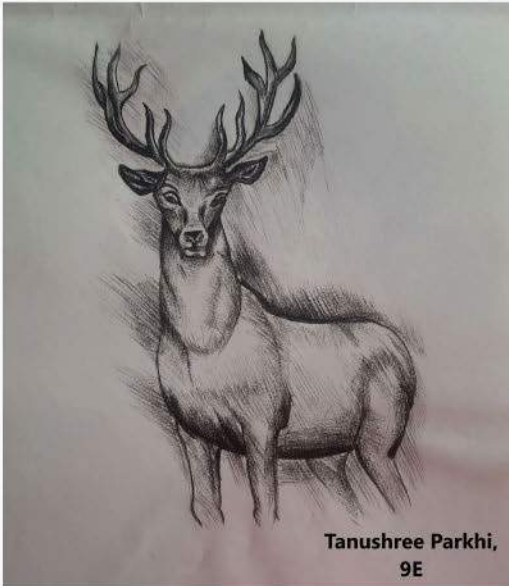
There's a little less distance  
A little less loneliness.  
We're still masked, but we're closer,  
We've all lost but now we gain together.  
It is a long night, there isn't much light.  
But now we know there'll be more,  
With a new day tomorrow, and a whole new lifetime ahead.

It's been a long night,  
There isn't much light.  
It's been a longer year,  
With almost no light.  
We've been together,  
Even then there's a distance of a lifetime.  
Not many smiles,  
Even lesser laughs.  
All of us masked, all of us inside.  
We've all lost,  
We've all seen others lose.  
It's been a longer year with almost no light,  
But we're here now,  
A new year, a new start  
We're moving together, moving ahead.

~ Divya Sandeep ( 9C )







Tanushree Parkhi,  
9E



"We fall to rise again"  
Back to Campus

Like these leaves,  
Off-colour and separated.  
We look forward  
With breath bated...  
Back to the tree (Skch)  
To be green and clustered!!



~ Medha Srichand (9C)

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*"The earth has music for those who listen"*

*~ William Shakespeare*

