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TEACHERS' DAY SPECIAL EDITION

Being the Change!

This special edition of 'Excelsior' is dedicated to all those parents who were part of 'Be the Change'. It was indeed a unique occasion for the EPS Family wherein the parents, about 90 of them, donned the role of Teachers on the occasion of Teachers' Day this year (5th Sep. '18). It was an exceptional manifestation of their love, respect and gratitude towards the teaching fraternity.



By being part of the 'noblest of all professions' and experiencing the pleasure and excitement of spending 'quality time with our learners', from Kindergarten to Class XII, these parents gave a new dimension to the 'Parent-School Partnership'. The campus was abuzz with a new feel and rhythm, all through the day. I am sure that the camaraderie that prevailed during the day is certainly

going to define a new mood of mutual trust and respect between the school and the parent community. Dear Parents, I take this opportunity to thank you all, from the bottom of my heart, for your kind gesture and great feeling towards OUR school. I am sure you will enjoy going through how this novel initiative was received by some of the 'heroes of the day', our Parents, my colleagues and students.
Happy reading!



■ **Mathew K G**
Principal

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As they donned the teachers' hat



Mr Keshava Murthy B R

I would like to say 'Thank you' for giving me an opportunity to engage a class on Teachers' Day (5th Sept). It fulfilled my dream of being a teacher, especially wearing the EPS badge. Thanks to the team for their guidance from getting into the class room to my departure. An occasion which will remain in my memory for a long while.



Mr Prashant S Mokashi

Today, it was my great pleasure to participate in the "Be the Change" event conducted. From what I could see from the students' and teachers' feedback, I was happy that my small attempt to "make that change" went well with them. It was a very good experience for me personally and I saw that the students were happy and I was able to answer their queries. Thanks to the whole team of EPS for conceptualizing and conducting such an event.



Mr Yashveer Bhatnagar

Thanks again for inviting me to speak on the occasion of Teacher's Day. I spoke with about 10 students from class XII for about 45 mins this afternoon. There was some delay in starting the class so the interactions were limited. I enjoyed the class and I hope the students gained some new insights from my talk on 'Geography of Biology: Why species occur where they do?'



Ms Urmila K Patel

This was a unique experience and I really appreciate that you had given us this platform. For a moment, I felt blessed. The kids co-operated very well and also respected us. I was so happy that I was a teacher in school, and that too in EPS. Overall, let the Almighty shower lots and lots of blessings and energy on each one of the children. Thank you.



Mr Aniruddha M P

My wife and I are grateful for the wonderful opportunity provided. The interactions with the students really took us back to our school days. We definitely cherished each minute spent at the school and are thankful for the opportunity. We applaud you for the unique initiative and we will be pleased to be associated with the institution on a regular basis for such mutually enriching experiences. Both of us will be interested in engaging children on a periodic basis for knowledge sharing. Thank you.





Ms Aarathi Varadachar

It was a wonderful experience to be at school yesterday to celebrate Teachers' Day in a unique way. We thank you for providing us the opportunity to have a complete EPS Family Day! I conducted a story session for class 1 B. The class teacher, Ms Gouthami, is a very pleasant person and I enjoyed her presence in the class. It was the best celebration of Teachers' Day so far!

Mr Ahmed Sawood

At the outset I would like to congratulate the Principal and the entire faculty for having conducted this programme so gracefully. My wife and I were overwhelmed by the warmth we have received both from the faculty and the students in the class ... we still are. I must mention that the class I took were exceptionally disciplined & were very welcoming - their interest and interaction are really laudable. We once again thank you from the bottom of our heart for giving us this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity which we will cherish for a long time to come.



Ms Rekha Ravi

It was indeed an exciting experience for me to teach at my son's school. It was an honour and privilege for me. I loved every bit of it. Children of Class 4A were very well behaved and disciplined. They interacted enthusiastically and I was happy to see that the previous knowledge they had about the subject was very good. My heartfelt thanks to you and your team, Sir!



Mr Shreenatha M Narayana

It was a great experience to teach! The buzz of the school brought so much energy! Thank you ALL for the fantastic opportunity! Truly, Excel excels in experimenting, in bettering the relationships that bring together the people that make children better.



Ms Sunitha S

Thank you so much for creating this wonderful platform wherein my husband and I had an opportunity to have an amazing experience with children at EPS. We really applaud you for this exclusive initiative which was executed in an excellent way by the EPS family. We are very much thankful to the entire EPS family for the wonderful support and for making every moment a memorable one. We would love to be associated with any such engagements with children for knowledge-sharing in future.





Mr K Kumaran

Thank you very much for providing us an opportunity to interact with the students. I certainly enjoyed the interaction and hope the students enjoyed it too. In my view, the selection of the topic is always tricky - it has to be engaging but also has to be of importance. I felt my topic was more suited to high school students Thank you for allocating me 10th standard students - it seemed to work well and students appeared to engage with the topic. I would be happy to interact with the students and share my thoughts on various issues/topics occasionally.

Mr S Ramandeep Singh

It was indeed a pleasure to be at school and enjoy the boundaries of classroom after long time.

Appreciate your visionary thinking of involving different experienced minds to spark the thinking process of upcoming generations. Thanks from core of my heart to you and teachers for your hospitality and for giving us this platform to share our journey of life so far. Hope to spend some more time in future at the school.



Ms Jayalekshmy PS

Thanks for giving such an opportunity. It was a wonderful experience. The kids behaved very enthusiastically and energetically. Since my subject was a language, I did not expect this much positive response from them. Even after the class, many of them came to me and shared their experience with the subject: and it was the highlight. I really enjoyed the session. Simple, systematic and organised way of managing the event makes it appear as if the school had prior experience with the same. The staff and teachers also gave warm welcome and positive vibes throughout the session.



Mr Shiva Kumar S

It was a wonderful time with the students, interacting about a subject, which showed their interest on learning new things. I shall be a part of your team whenever opportunity is available. I thank everyone for giving me this occasion.



Mr Alec Lobo

Many thanks for the opportunity to be with the children. Highly appreciate the initiative. I had a great time in the school.





Ms Navarathna M K

It was indeed a pleasure to be a part of the school. The positivity and good vibes the school brought in was just amazing. Students were so enthusiastic and welcoming. We would love to be a part of this event every year. Thanks for your initiative and all the planning from the school to make us feel special. The thank you card and the badge added a special touch to the day. I would proudly wear the badge now.

Dr M Dharma Prasad

It was indeed a pleasure to have visited your school and taught the students. Teaching little kids was awesome due to their innocent uncontrolled response to the experiments they did. The elder ones were more silent and involved. Teaching is always a fulfilling experience for me and speaking to little kids with uniform made it all the more pleasurable. Thanks to your school and all the people who helped me around on teacher's day!



Ms Smriti Manoj

Congratulations on the initiative "Be the Change". It was indeed an honor & privilege to be part of the Teachers' day celebration at EPS. It was very well planned & executed by the team. As I walked in at the reception, and received a card with a beautiful note and a badge, I thought it was such lovely gesture. It made me feel special. Thank you for involving the parents & giving us a platform to communicate with the students.



Ms Dhanyatha Sharath

It was my pleasure that I got to be a teacher to so many kids, and their acceptance of me as their teacher is what touched me. It was my first experience. I would like to be part of this journey of learning that you have started. Congratulations for the success of the initiative. Thank you so much Sir, teachers, students and all the staff for this amazing opportunity!

Also thank you for the wonderful pictures. It will remind us forever about the amazing time we have spent with super kids!



Ms Hema Raveesh

Thanks for the opportunity to interact with fresh minds with uninhibited enthusiasm! I thoroughly enjoyed sharing my knowledge with the 8th std students. They had so many questions which were based on common sense and genuine curiosity. I applaud the effort by your teachers who have



preserved this quality in their students and not made them head noddors for everything said or taught. Overall, I thank you for the opportunity and initiative for this teachers day.



Ms Reena Sonigrah

Thank you for giving this amazing opportunity to nurture our children at EPS on this wonderful occasion of Teachers' Day. I must say it was very thoughtful of you to have come up with this idea of having parents as teachers. I appreciate you and your team for having implemented this idea very well. I enjoyed my time interacting with children there and felt blessed to receive love through wishes and handmade cards along with generous smiles and hugs.

Whenever you see the need for me to contribute there, please feel free to reach out to me. I will be happy to add my love and efforts in making our children at EPS happier and EPS family to flourish better in joyful learning.

Ms Jyoti Trivedi

Thanks for the opportunity to be with wonderful kids. It was warm gesture to share our photographs. Hope Ms Lekha Nair madam who observed the class found it novel and interesting too! Thanks for all the support and care given to parents that day. How well planned and organised! Congrats to entire team.



Mr Krishna Jambur

This is a very heart-felt message. I have penned an impromptu verse (pardon the lack of meter/ rhyme).

It is one thing to be able to teach
It is another thing to be a teacher

It is but human to nurture your own child
It is softly superhuman to be responsible for others'

Pride makes a parent say 'As a teacher I am complete'
But for a parent's place a teacher's love will never compete

It is one thing to do it for a day
It takes something special to do it day after day

It takes mere love to create a child as he/ she is
It takes true concern to make a child win as he/ she is

It is one thing to be able to teach
It is a very special thing to be a teacher



Musings of the mentors..

The most exciting day, for which I had been waiting with a countdown, began with a loud "Happy Teacher's Day, Sir" when I boarded the school bus. We celebrate teacher's Day every year, but this year was special due to involvement of parents who turned into teachers for a day to strengthen the bond of EPS Family. This was a great initiative taken by the school to actively involve the parent community. As a result, experts from different fields donned the role of teachers with tremendous excitement. All in all, it was a very successful event organized by all the students, teachers and parents.



Mr Siddaraju BS

Teacher's Day was celebrated with great pomp and gaiety at Excel Public School here on September 5. To honour all the teachers who had been instrumental in shaping their lives, the students of classes 10th, 11th and 12th stds put up a spectacular theme-based creative show which made me view our students in an entirely different light. Students and Teacher's Day Committee of EPS played a proactive role in organizing a series of curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities for teachers. The two-hour programme consisted of foot-tapping songs, groovy dances and fun-filled interactions with teachers. At the end of the day, we had another interesting function with the management participating in prize distribution and giving a gift. All these events made me to feel special and extraordinary.

I used to think that the teacher is an unsung hero and his contribution is unnoticed, but in EPS each day is made special and unique.



Mr Paul Jagadish L

'Teaching is a very noble profession that shapes the character, caliber, and future of an individual. If the people remember me as a good teacher, that will be the biggest honour for me'. - APJ Abdul Kalam

How delighted I am to be the part of this noble profession. I cherish and celebrate being teacher every day by touching many young minds. On Teachers' day I was exhilarated and jubilant because I was showered with unexpected surprises, unequalled love and care from my children. On that auspicious day, I was on Cloud Nine experiencing the unconditional love of my students. That was a golden day in my life. It made me very proud to be a teacher and I felt like a celebrity among the excited learners. I am privileged and blessed to be in this sacred profession. Now, the onus on me has abiding to keep the trust and love of the children intact has doubled. My role as an educator has become more serious and perpetual. A few questions do linger in my mind how do I cater to all these heterogeneous learners? How do I express my gratitude to them? How do I keep my students excited and full of life?

Apart from my learners, I was also honoured by my Principal and the School Management. Their gesture of love and generosity increased my responsibility as a teacher and less as an employee I was touched and overwhelmed by their solicitude, with gratitude, in my heart I continue to be a teacher and work for the betterment of this great institution which embodies the vision of our Management, under the abled leadership of our beloved Principal.



Mr A Mathew

Teacher's day is a great occasion for celebrating and enjoying the relationship between teachers and students. The entire school campus and staff rooms were decorated by our students with colourful banners, balloons and many more on the eve of Teacher's day. Our students wished us by giving us gifts, greeting cards, pen, diaries, etc. We were nothing less than celebrities.

The highlight of this year's celebration was the parents of students expressing their gratitude towards the teaching fraternity, as they donned the role of teachers. I am short of words to express my gratitude for the thoughtful gift given by our management and a personalized memento given by our dear Principal. This year's celebration has given me many moments to cherish for a long time.



Ms Divya Shetty

I think the teachers, students and parents of Excel public school will have Wednesday, 5th September etched into their memories, for this was when the school celebrated yet another Teacher's day – a day which was the sum total of wisdom, experiences, kindness, discipline, compassion and entertainment!!!

The first quarter of the day witnessed a breathtaking show organised by the school's student council members with all their splendor and pomp. It was a UNIQUE celebration this year. It was the day when the teachers swapped their roles with parents. The celebration was significant and packed with loads of happiness.



Ms Riya M R

In two years of teaching at Excel Public School, I have experienced the joy of celebrating Teacher's Day in the most unique ways. The standing ovation of our students as we teachers marched towards our seats makes me feel honoured to be a teacher. Each and every performance of our children not only showcased a mark of their respect on us but also filled my heart with a sense of gratitude. The most symbolic and unique part of the celebrations was the parents' willingness to step into the shoes of teachers. By being one themselves, they could realize and appreciate our role as teachers.

Whole heartedly, I thank each and everyone who made this teacher's day an unforgettable experience.



Ms Archana Chakravarthy K S

Overwhelming ... is the first word that comes to my mind when I think about the 5th of September 2018. What happened on this Teacher's Day was different from my previous experiences... It was difficult for me to handle the respect, attention and importance given to me, to us! My heart kept expressing itself through my eyes ... I just couldn't stop ... (I thank myself for not putting any eye make-up!)

What a way to celebrate Teacher-hood! I never imagined the grandeur in which it could be celebrated. I was treated like a celebrity, not an ounce less! Dear Mathew Sir and Gubain Ma'am made sure that each of one us was looked after, made to feel special, giving importance to all the fine details, throughout the day. The day ended with a formal function and added to it was the presence of respected Sudhanva Sir and Prashanth Sir, with their inspiring talk.



This has been one of the best days of my life, so far...a big THANK YOU for the same!

Ms Kavitha Deshpande

On September 5, 2018, I was greeted by a barrage of good wishes the moment I boarded the school bus. Everybody wanted to shake my hand, wish me, and thrust a small card, flower or a pen into my hand. I began smiling then and never stopped until the end of that day. Yes, that was my first official Teachers' Day. Though I had been a Soft Skills Trainer before, I had never been a full-time teacher in a school ever before. And the experience turned out to be very unique.

As a student, I thought my teachers would feel very proud on that day. But as a teacher, I found that I felt extremely humble. Love given unconditionally and totally has that effect. When the children I corrected constantly in class and the ones whom I hounded for their work submission came up to me, beaming all over their faces and bearing little gifts, I felt tears start in my eyes. They were not felicitating me for my vocabulary or my knowledge of English grammar. They were thanking me for spending my time with them, treating them with compassion and love, understanding their strong points and failings and trying to help them.

A good teacher is not one who teaches well. S/he is one who helps a child grow up to be someone the child himself or herself likes, admires and envies. Of all the jobs on earth, this job is the hardest. But as I found on this Teachers' Day, it's also the most rewarding.



Ms Lakshmi Palecanda

Teachers' Day at Excel public school was an amazing experience for me and every other teacher in the school. This was the first time I understood the true reason as to why a teachers' profession is so noble, and why teachers' job satisfaction levels are very high, statistically speaking. When I was sitting on those steps, I caught myself thinking, "I know now why no teacher who enters EPS ever wishes to leave."

Right from the procession in the morning, to the golgappa we were treated to in the evening, the day was simply perfect. The day was filled love, affection and gratitude - in short, everything that a person could hope for. I was left with a heart filled with love and a mind that was enthused to do better as a person and teacher. With my heart full of love and gratitude, I am convinced that no other profession can bring me the joy that I felt as a teacher on this very special day at Excel Public School.



Ms Lissiu Maria

The word “overwhelming” had never been the part of my active vocabulary for a long time until my career took a turn to EPS. Teachers’ day celebration in the school made us, teachers, experience the emotion in all its intensity. The smiles and wishes that poured in from the very moment I stepped into the bus to the written wishes that kept me company late into the night made me realize how blessed I am to be surrounded by so much love. Of course, the nicest of words possible written for us and the superlatives of positivity used to brand us are the product of the children’s love and in fact is an expectation to live up to. I wonder if I deserve this, I wonder if I could ever pay it forward, I wonder how they could love so unconditionally, I wonder how even the tiniest of kindness towards any one of them is appreciated and returned a thousand-fold, I wonder how those tiny bodies can house such huge hearts. I wonder...



Mr Noble Antony

One of the biggest and most-awaited day in a teacher's life is the TEACHERS DAY. The celebrities of EPS family, the teachers headed by the Principal, Headmistress and the Deputy Head teachers, marching to the school band in all their grandeur, brought out great enthusiasm in students. The special assembly organized by the Student Council to honor us left us spellbound, stirring us to rethink of our role as teachers who have the potential to shape the destiny of the next generation. The excitement with which Excelites planned different events for the big day is laudable.

The students presented a cultural extravaganza to express their gratitude towards teachers. Giving a new dimension to the Teachers' Day, celebration at EPS was the "Be the change" programme, wherein parents taking up the role of teachers and experiencing being in the noble profession for a day was done with stupendous effort and positive energy. At twilight, the school auditorium became the perfect stage and the dignitaries of the school management were the reflection of the light that showered so much reassurance and reminded us of our duties and responsibilities to make this wonderful journey as a TEACHER more fruitful.



Ms Sharmila U Yajaman

The day began with a lot of enthusiasm and a sense with satisfaction of the profession I am in! it was Teachers' day! As the teachers marched into the assembly arena like luminaries, the students brought down the house down with their cheers to express their love, affection, gratitude and admiration for their teachers. The programs by the students that depicted the teachers' contribution towards their development, connected me to my own classroom experiences. There were many heartfelt moments. I felt that there was so much to do for these unconditionally loving, young dreamers.

The parents' participation in teaching our children was one of the best experiences. They were so well prepared to deliver their lessons. Our students were similarly curious to experience the 'new teachers.' While few parents were amazing resource persons, other parents proved that they were natural teachers. I think that this initiative has strengthened the parent-school relationship. I was delighted and reassured about my decision to choose my passion as my profession – Teaching! It has given me immeasurable gratification.



Ms Vanishree A

When several students wished me as an educator in EPS, I felt glad. At the same time, I was reminded of my teachers from childhood. I was really spellbound by the way the children showed their love, affection and gratitude towards us. The ramp walk with my fellow colleagues was a proud moment. The token of love given to us on this occasion was nothing less than amazing.

As it was the 10th year of EPS, there was a special thought by our Principal to celebrate it in an innovative way, where-in he invited the parents to take classes for the students. This was again a wonderful experience, as the parents greeted us and we encouraged them. The gifts, love and wishes were never ending throughout the day and were overwhelming. In the afternoon, there was a quiz programme conducted by our children. In the evening we had a formal get-together with our colleagues and management. At the end of the programme there was a prize distribution ceremony for the various games that were conducted for teachers followed by gifts from the management and refreshments. All in all, the day was filled with laughter, joy and celebration and was a memory to cherish lifelong.



Ms Kavita Rao

Teachers' Day is a celebration to commemorate the birth Anniversary celebrations of Sri Sarvepalli RadhaKrishnan, the Former President of India, a scholar, an academician, and a philosopher par excellence. Excel Public School considers this as a very important day in the school calendar.

As per tradition, the students felicitated the 100 plus teaching and administrative staff which was followed by a spectacular dance-drama performed by them. Apart from the customary celebrations, the school management this year decided on a unique and innovative initiative of involving parents named 'Be the Change'

This initiative of inviting parents for teaching commenced at 11 am and continued up till 3 pm. There was an overwhelming response by the parent community for this pioneering effort by the school. Over a hundred parents taught in classrooms covering subjects such as entrepreneurship, genetics, basic hydraulic operations etc

As stated by our Principal, Mr Mathew K G, 'this initiative of Excel Public school was an attempt to strengthen the parent school relationship and broaden the camaraderie and sense of appreciation between the two important stakeholders of the students, the future of our nation. This effort helped parents understand and appreciate the functions of the school much better. It also enabled them to gain a first-hand experience of the daily challenges faced by the teachers. At 3 pm there was a Quiz programme conducted for the teaching faculty by the Senior Secondary students. They collected extremely interesting questions spanning all subjects being taught in the school.

At 4 pm the final event of the day's proceedings began Mr Sudhanva the Chairman of Excel Soft presided over the session and the teaching fraternity was once again felicitated by the Excel Management. The day concluded with the teachers receiving awards and mementos for the various competitions held over the previous week.



Ms Krishna Bhatnagar

Salutations to the facilitators!!



Teachers' Day is one amongst the most important days in a student's life.

The day's events began with a cultural program dedicated for the teachers by the students of the higher classes. After the morning's program, the students were in for a surprise. Our school had taken the initiative to provide an opportunity for the parent community of our school to turn teachers for the day. Many enthusiastic parents were up to the task and had volunteered for the event. The day's events ended with a quiz organized for the teachers by the students of the 12th grade. Meanwhile, the students of the 9th grade were asked to take a session for the students of classes 1-8. The students were provided with an unique experience indeed, which I believe has helped them.



Mst Ankith Aneesh | Class 9D

With the full support and encouragement from our Principal, a grand and one of a kind show for the teachers was put up by the students of Excel Public School. After a morning full of dance, singing, love and joy filled tears, it was time to personally greet and congratulate our class teacher more than anyone else for who she is, and what she's done to our class, class 10 'C', which is known for the fun it has. The day wasn't over yet though. Our principal had previously planned and arranged for self-volunteering parents to teach on subjects of their choice, in the various classrooms of our school. Our class had five different and wonderful subjects. The amount of love and affection shown by the students of our school towards their teachers is more than enough to melt a heart. And of course, this did happen.



Mst Prakul R Pathange | Class 10C

This year's Teachers' Day was one of the most incredible and exciting days of the year. On this occasion, the parents of the students of EPS came and handled classes. This was a beautiful program and sure has helped in instilling some values in our life. I thank the school for organizing such a memorable and stupendous day for us.



Ms Gouri B Krishna | Class 9A

At Excel Public School, on this Teachers' Day, we had a special assembly for our teachers, and the most attractive and exciting events were conducted. This time the parents and the students of higher classes experienced what our teachers do every day! The parents showed their gratitude by replacing them and conducting various sessions for the students of all the classes. Also the students had fun learning and teaching. To sum it up, everyone — teachers, parents and students — had a mesmerizing day and unforgettable experiences! A heart-felt thanks to the school and parents to have given us this thrilling day!



Ms Aastha Kothari | Class 9D

It was the best Teachers' Day celebration as I truly realized the importance of teachers. I got the opportunity to express my gratitude, and parents too had an opportunity to share their knowledge with us. The formal programme, organized by the student's council made sure a personalized greeting card was given to each teacher. We were taught by parents. The class of genetics was especially interesting not because of the promised chocolate but because of the topic itself. As a student, I understood the difficulties of a teacher while taking class for Grade three. In the beginning, students were fascinated by the idea of quiz, but later it grew more difficult to manage them. Overall, Teachers' Day was celebrated in a very meaningful manner this time. We were exposed to new concepts which helped me gain more knowledge. I hope we at EPS continue to celebrate in such a thoughtful way.



Ms Diya Mahantesh Mundasad | Class 9C

Teachers' Day celebration at EPS this year was memorable and unique. We were provided a new and unique experience of being taught by some of the parents. We also experienced the true pain and struggle of teachers when we had the opportunity to teach lower classes. We had four parents teaching on four unique topics. The one on climate change brought new interest in Geography. The session on genetics made us experience a completely new part of biology which none of us knew earlier. A parent came to us with a beautiful topic, "Beauty of Life".

The experience of teaching lower classes was new. I got an opportunity to go to 2C. The overall experience was curious and a good one but it was difficult to manage, as each one of them had different opinion. It was fun. In short we had a truly unique and awesome Teachers' Day celebration.



Ms Thrisha V | Class 9C

It was a glorious sunny morning as all of us gathered around our teachers to show our respect to them. Each teacher had the brightest of smiles; enough to light up an empty dark room. We learnt that no matter what we do, our teachers will be there with us. Parents of quite a few students were asked to talk to us and teach us but none of us could forget the way our teachers teach us and even though we sometimes forget to thank them, they must always know that we have an everlasting gratitude towards them.



Ms Shukti A | Class 10B

A day to commemorate the guiding spirits of our lives, Teachers' Day. The day began with all of us waiting patiently for the teachers to arrive. As they did, the whole amphitheater seemed to transform into a magical arena. The feelings of affection, gratitude and love soon filled the air. We saw the embodiment of knowledge and virtues right before us- our lovely teachers, the teachers who have enriched us, who have inspired and motivated us in indescribable ways. For all the times we ever left it unsaid, we thanked them for shaping our lives. Even though we can't possibly dedicate anything worth the things they imparted to us, we did dedicate some dance and drama performances. We later had some of our parents don the teachers' hat. That was surely enthralling. I would like to wish all my teachers a very happy and blissful life for years to come, for they have surely given me one of those.



Ms Vaishnavi Prasad Rao | Class 9B

The air was jubilant and truly symbolizing Teachers' Day at EPS. Students were gung-ho about their newer dimensions of learning with parents. Everyone learned from everybody. The mosaics of knowledge, application and the purpose were looking vibrant on the walls of our school. It was an absolute riot of learning and rediscovery of our minds, bodies and souls.



Mst Antriksh Muthanna Kodandera | Class 10B

The students of Excel Public School honoured the teaching faculty of their institution on Teachers' Day, the fifth of September 2018, by enthraling them with a marvellous programme in the school amphitheatre. The programme, planned by the students alone and curated by the student council of Excel Public School, began with a march, where members of the council escorted the teachers to the stage, after which the students felicitated their beloved tutors with cards and flowers. Speeches expressing sincere gratitude and thanks for all the teachers' efforts followed. The amphitheatre was lit up with some spell-binding performances. The teachers were delighted with the show put up in their honour, and it was considered by all to be a befitting tribute to all educators, who have been the path-bearers for each and every student who has ever walked the corridors of Excel Public School.

As the day ensued, the students were in for a treat, as a few parents held sessions, filling the teachers' shoes for an hour. Students of higher classes also cherished the opportunity to inculcate necessary skills and vocational abilities in their juniors by spending a whole period with them. The halls were abuzz with a festive cheer as students wished their teachers and personally handed them cards and bouquets as a token of their appreciation for their beacons of inspiration. The students were thanked by their teachers, who were pleasantly surprised by the effort and emotion put into the event by the students. The day concluded with fun games and activities for the teachers after school hours.



Mst Manas Kudlapur Rakesh | Class 9D

A teacher is like a candle who lights others consuming itself.

It is my 5th year in Excel Public School. And the bond between teachers and students here is like nowhere else. On teacher's day I could see that glow in every child's eyes. That eagerness to see their guiding ray, teachers who encouraged them in every step. To wish them and tell them how much they love them. I could personally feel the positivity around me. Our teachers' teachings aren't limited to the class. They help us throughout. We are gifted to have such wonderful, caring and understanding teachers. Teachers' Day is just an opportunity to tell you how much we love you and how much we thank you. But our love for you is constant the other 364 days as well. Teachers' Day was a great opportunity for me to tell my teachers how much I love them and how much they mean to me and to express my gratitude. It was a mind blowing day for me personally.



Ms Mrudula Hamsini Sundar | Class 9A

It's definitely hard to fathom when you've been told, or rather reminded, that this is your very last year in high-school. What makes it exponentially harder for me to wrap my mind around is the fact that it all felt like yesterday. Crediting the teachers and supporting staff at EPS with making these 8 long years feel like a breeze wouldn't do justice for all that they've done for us. This year was different; from my active involvement in the celebrations to bringing a smile on a

teacher's face, it all felt right and long overdue on my part. Watching from the back of the auditorium whilst changing the slides during the quiz, I witnessed how close-knit a family the teaching community at EPS is: unlike any other school's community!



Mst Sandeep Rao | Class 12

This year's Teachers Day according to me was the best in EPS history. This year's Celebrations strengthened the bond between the teachers and students. I have also felt that special kind of respect towards our lovely teachers whether they teach my class or not. I used to sometimes feel that teachers were luckier than us because they would never have work to do at home. But that thought has been thrown out of my mind by looking at this year's Teachers' Day. I also felt happy by looking at efforts my friends had put in for the day's events. This showed that all of us loved our teachers. Overall, I think it surely was memorable Teachers' Day for not only Teachers but also for students.



Mst Nikhilesh Satish | Class 9B



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