



Epistemo  
Vikas Leadership School

# Epistemo Lemur's News



## Greetings from Epistemo!

We take pleasure in bringing to you the New Edition. This issue ventures to encapsulate on the happenings of July.

“Teachers have three loves: love of learning, love of learners, and the love of bringing the first two loves together” –Scott Hayden

Our generation has been put in a very arduous situation and as a result of the same; which puts forth a question to each one of us: When will things get back to normal?

In our opinion, it has become our new normal, as we are all busy occupied with our Online classes. As a team, it is our responsibility to shape our Lemurs' future in a certain way. I am sure that at Epistemo Vikas Leadership School we have accepted the challenges and turned all of them into opportunities in building our lemurs bright future.

The shift from offline to online has given us a peek into reality ahead. Technology-enabled teaching and learning is our immediate future.

## Events & Happenings:

### Virtual Class-Assessments

**“When the cook tastes the soup, that’s formative assessment; when the customer tastes the soup, that’s a summative assessment.” –Paul Black**

We at Epistemo Vikas Leadership School believe in imparting knowledge through innovative methods and one such initiative was conducting Weekly Tests for our High School Lemurs.

Assessment is an ongoing process of gathering, analyzing, and reflecting on evidence to make informed and consistent judgments to improve future student learning. Time has flown very quickly that students have completed 2 Weekly Tests in Core Subjects so far.

## Achievements:

Nityasri of Grade 7 was honored to get an opportunity to start the Live Program -Palikeda Bhagavatam Experience Session with Parents. She got the opportunity to open the session with “Aadaramoppa - Dharmathi Ragam” and also concluded the session with “Padyam Oka Suryudu - Sarasangi Ragam” at the End of the 3 hour Session and received accolades from "Addanki Srinivas Garu" and "Oleti Bhanu Garu".



Aryan Ravi of Grade 4 has been awarded a Certificate of Completion - Fun Science at Home - Google Innovation Project. This online 1-week certificate course had been designed to make students engage in fun science activities - that could be done using easily available material at home.



Debate is one of the academic activities that give students creative room to express what they feel. The length and breadth of knowledge that they gain through this is simply unparalleled.

Students of Epistemo won the first round of Zero Hour International Debate Competition, largest online inter school public speaking event on 31.7.2020. The topic "Going Digital Increases Inequality" was given in a set period of time. The competition was adjudged by Mrs. Vani Marri of Epistemo, a neutral judge and the judge from competitor's school.

The Phenomenal debaters Lemur Surya Pranav and Lemur Guru Sai Prasad of 10 A kept their points effectively. They were armed with statistics and data, made their arguments more emphatic with their righteous facial expressions and voice modulation. They exhibited great oratory skill. The competition was an enthralling experience for the speakers as well as the audience.

Our students were well prepared and undoubtedly convinced the audience of their beliefs and views. The competition also received scores through vote of the audience.

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**ZERO HOUR**  
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**EPISTEMO VIKAS LEADERSHIP SCHOOL, HYDERABAD** **VS** **DOON HERITAGE SCHOOL, DEHRADUN**

**POOL D MATCH 18**

**SCORE CARD**

STUDENT: FOR **SURYA** 096 096 080 000

STUDENT: AGAINST **TULIKA** 088 083 082 000

STUDENT: FOR **ARYAN** 095 078 082 000

STUDENT: AGAINST **GURU** 097 096 095 000

**GURU SAI PRASAD MG**

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**Subhayu Roy**

**SCORE CARD**

**EVLS, HYDERABAD** 091 096 025 118

**DHS, DEHRADUN** 084 085 000 085

**Recording**

**WINNER**  
**POOL D MATCH 18**  
**EPISTEMO VIKAS LEADERSHIP SCHOOL, HYDERABAD**



## Green Colour Day /Haritha Haram

The Epistemo family celebrated the Green colour day on 04 July 2020. The Green colour day was appropriately clubbed with Haritha Haram, one of the Telangana Flagship Programs, to create awareness on the environment. Several fun- time activities like making Tortoise with Kiwi and Grapes, reusing old newspapers into kitchen dustbins, creative handprint posters, and finally hands-on activity of sowing fenugreek seeds/coriander seeds.





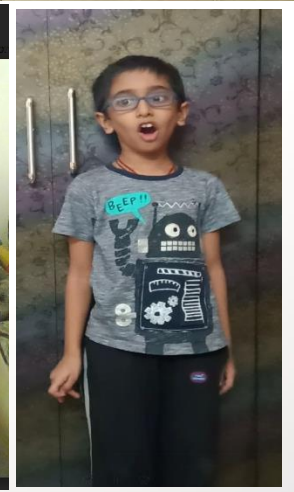
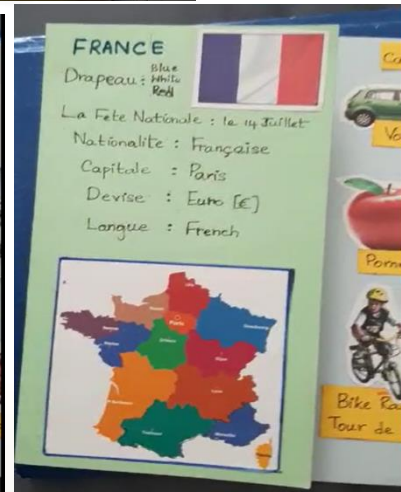
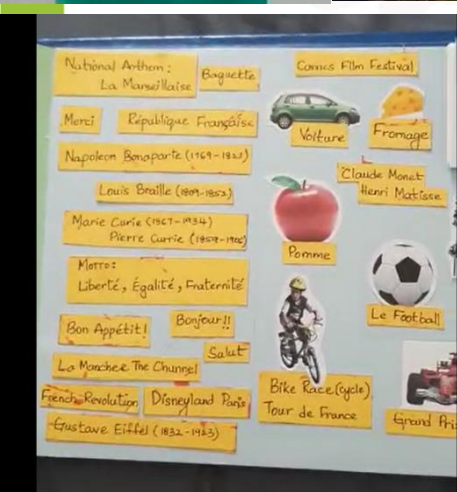
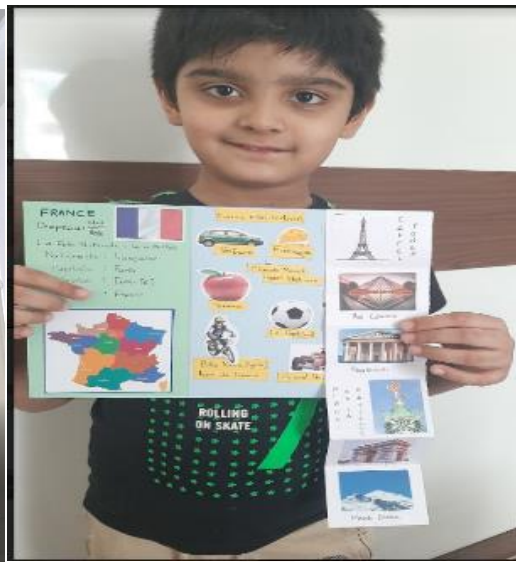






## le 14 juillet (Independence Day of France)

Lemurs learned the importance of July 14 in French History. They involved themselves by creating posters on France. They presented important monuments, famous food, important words, and French culture, and so on. They also learned and sang 'Alouette rhyme'.





## Best out of Waste – Paper Craft

Lemurs are aware of how they can convert the waste material into a beautiful craft piece.



## ONLINE CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES

### Science

Lemurs of grade 5 turned scientific investigators when they carried out the experiments at their homes. They investigated the factors affecting the rate of dissolving a solute in a solvent-like temperature of the solvent, size of the solute particles, and stirring. They noted down their observations in the form of a table and made valid conclusions. Each lemur demonstrated a simple reversible and irreversible change, explaining briefly about them to their peers.

Lemurs also played an interesting simulation based on food chains and also Quiz zizz games to verify and validate the concepts learned.







## Video making

Students of grade 6 studied forms of energies and their examples. It was fun learning about objects around us and identifying what kind of energy they possess-when work is done or at rest. Our learners made a video in which they explained about forms of energy with examples. It's appreciable to see them sound confident in the video, their body language, the concept as well as language and intonation. They also have done their best in making and editing the video.

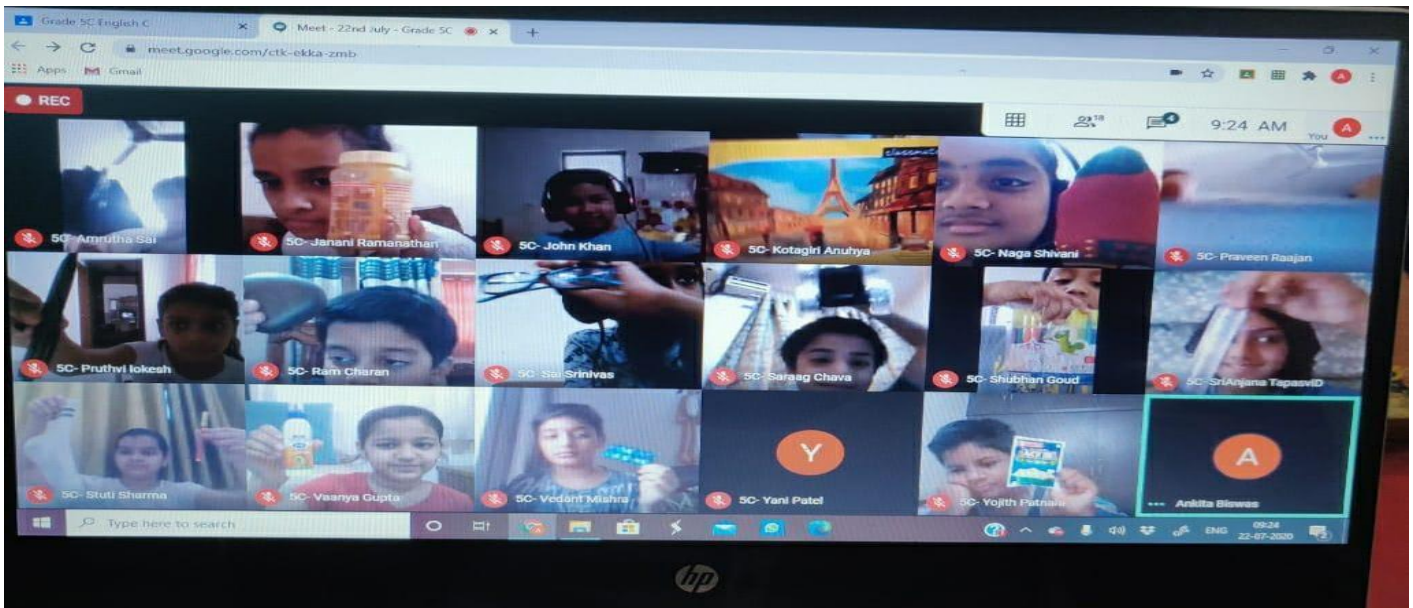




## English

**The Grade 5 Lemurs** played an online version of Scavenger Hunt during their English online interactive session recently. The activity was introduced to take a new learning approach to Nouns, a topic that has already been covered in previous grades before. The idea was to break a sense of boredom that students feel while approaching a topic student think they are already familiar with.

As a part of the activity, the students had to get up and go find one example of a common noun from their house that started with the same first letter as their name. The students had a great time finding and bringing all kinds of unusual items to show to their classmates.



Students of Grade 7 created new board games using grammar topics. They used dice to move and answer the questions where they land. This was an extended activity of their classroom learning which has helped students to a greater extent in understanding language skills by playing in live interactive class through google meet.



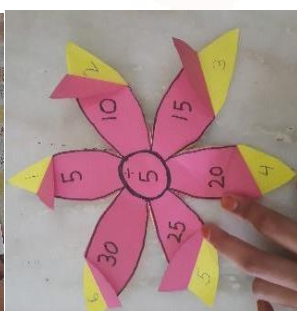
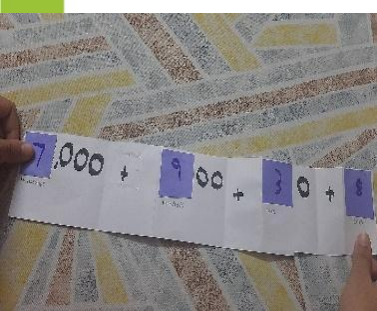
Grade 7 also had a student-led class where they conducted a quiz, gave wonderful presentations, and answered all the challenging questions put to them by their classmates. It was a proud moment for a teacher to witness the successful learning outcome of her students.



Our Grade 1 lemurs did a lot of hands-on learning through activities while learning math. They did an activity on comparison of numbers by using their toys to explain the concept and also learned ordinal numbers by positioning their toy cars. They made a poster using paper cut-outs while learning days of the week.



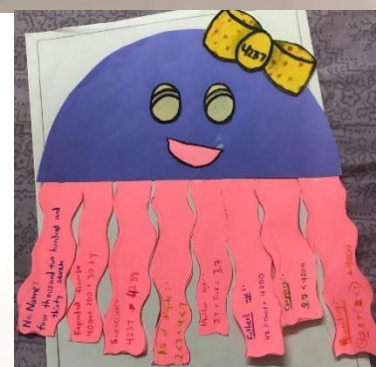
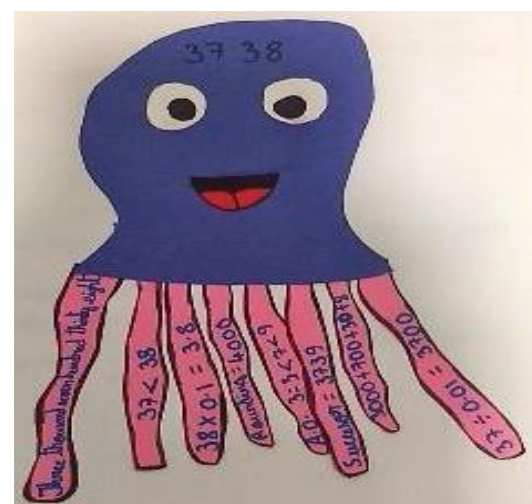
Grade 5 Lemurs learned the concept of Operations with whole numbers by making flower model – multiplication /division - exhibiting the facts. They were also taught the techniques for fast calculations.



Numbers play a very important role in our day-to-day life. In this Chapter, students learned Indian, International system, expanded form, place values, rounding to the nearest place, and comparing the numbers.

Here in this activity students collect their parents' date of birth and age. To make two eight-digit numbers, students used their parents' DOB and to make four-digit number students used their parents' age. With eight-digit numbers, students wrote the numbers name in the Indian and international system by separating them with commas. And with four-digit numbers students wrote expanded form, rounding to the nearest thousand, arranged digits in order, compare their parents' age and multiplied and divided by 0.1, 0.01.

The students showed their creativity by drawing an Octopus in different ways. Using this activity, we tried to show all the learned topics at one place to revise, to remember easily, and to get more clarity on the topics.





## Global Perspective:

### Uses of a Plant

#### Activity: Whip up fruit salads

The Grade 1 students made delicious fruit salads with the help of their parents at home. This activity was a part of their GP assignment where they have been learning about flora and fauna. Making the fruit salad was a part of the sub-topic “uses of plants”, where they saw different uses of plants as food.



During the online interactive session, a Show-and-tell activity was conducted, wherein students looked for the things we get from plants within their house and shared the same with the entire class.

Overall, learning about the uses of plants turned out to be a tasty and fun learning experience for our young lemurs.

#### Variant Shelters:

**While exploring this topic, 3 Graders integrated across different subjects and did activities that allowed them to get a more well-rounded understanding of the topic.**

For integration with mathematics, the students employed geometric shapes like semi-circles and rectangles to construct different types of houses like an igloo.

As integration with social studies, they made a collage of different types of houses from different regions and countries.

Art and Craft integrations also allowed the children to get creative as they built models of different types of houses using wastes found around their homes.







## CLIMATE CHANGE

Our Grade 6 and 7 Lemurs have been channelizing their creativity for a good cause as they try to create awareness about climate change action through posters and memes. The students have been studying climate change as a part of Global Perspective in this last month. They have combed and curated newspapers and journals for articles on climate change to improve their understanding of the issue. They have watched TED Talks by climate change activists like Greta Thunberg for inspiration and to understand the role they can play in making a change. They outpoured their learnings in the form of posters, memes, and presentations.





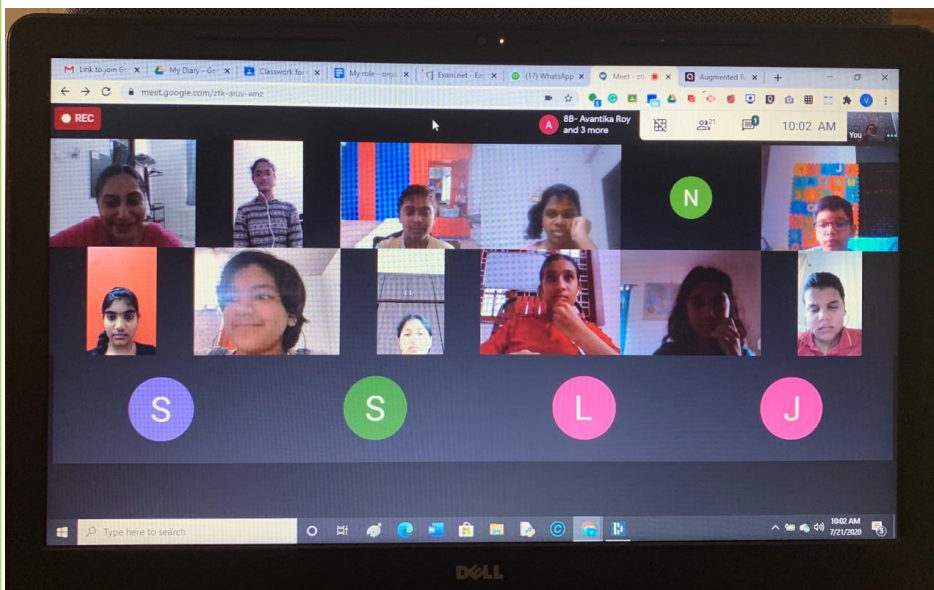
## Information and Communications Technology (ICT)

**“Technology is just a tool. In terms of getting the kids working together and motivating them, the teacher is the most important.” - Bill Gates**

The Computer Teacher Ms. Vani Marri organized a Guest Talk for Grade 8 on 20th and 21st July for 8A & 8B respectively as a part of the Class activity.

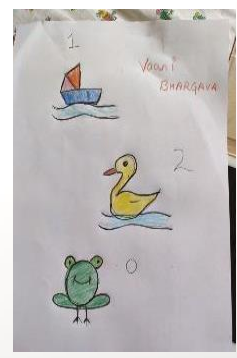
The Guest Ms. Rizwana Umar who is working as a Data Scientist at Microsoft Corporation shared the demo on a Microsoft product ‘Hololens’ and its features.

In her own words, “It’s been an absolute pleasure and satisfying to conduct a guest talk for the lemur champions, we spoke about augmented reality and virtual reality concepts. I was glad to share the demo in the Microsoft product Hololens and its features. Kids also shared their thoughts and gratitude for a great knowledge share. The importance of cutting edge techniques and technology was brainstormed. Look forward to seeing many kids come up with innovative thoughts to create a world-class product. Thank you, Vani” On the whole, this was an enriching session for our Lemurs.



**“Creativity is Contagious, Pass it on.” -Albert Einstein.**

Our junior lemurs of Grades 1 and 2 are very creative. This month they involved themselves in Birds craft and Newspaper’s Craft animals. They painted adorable flowers by using household brushes, known as Brush Painting. They also learned the concept of Number Drawing by using numbers to draw cute penguins and frogs etc. relating math with art.





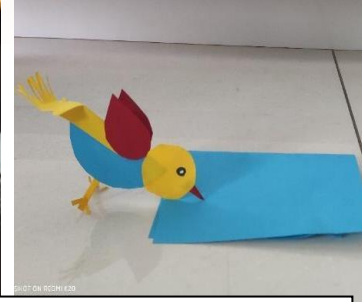
Grade 3 and 4 lemur took away everyone's heart with their craft activities of Birds in the nest, catapult, Newspaper's animals, and pop sticks frames. By making catapults, they revised the line art concept. These activities helped the students to improve their motor skills.



Our Grade 5 to 7 lemur loved 3-D Birds craft activity. They showed their marvelous performance in String Art Stitching, learned its various techniques by using needle, paper, and strings and enhanced their skills by Stitching their creativity on paper.







**“There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure.” – Colin Powell**

Our school is built on quality teaching, dedicated exceptional education for every child. The outcome is that our students have achieved great results and have emerged as accomplished, ambitious, and confident learners. The triumph of our Results is a testament to Our High Academic standards, excellent teaching, and the hard work and dedication of students.

Our students have made all of us proud by giving us 100% results.

**Sreekeerthana Peddakotla** has scored Cent percent in Mathematics and has topped with 97% and brought laurels to the school.

### **INCULCATING LEADERSHIP VALUES**

“Some people **want** it to happen, some **wish** it to happen, others **make** it happen.” -Michael Jordan.

True champions are Leaders who are SMART with **S**pecific Goals at a **M**easurable Success Rate with **A**chievable Targets about **R**esult Bound and **T**alented of course.

So our Hunt for Deserving, Young, Talented, Leaders for the ‘Student Prefect Council Body’ nomination process was completed by electing our Young Leaders. Leaders are role models who are aspirants themselves and inspire their followers to scale heights.

Our school headed towards electing the leaders who would inspire their followers over 2020-2021 with their innate qualities as Student Council. It was the first-ever online selection procedure where one had to prove that leaders are born not made. These electoral roles emphasized that leadership is all about working in unison to achieve goals. It demands a lot of patience, perseverance, grit, responsibility, and confidence.





## INVESTITURE CEREMONY 2020-2021

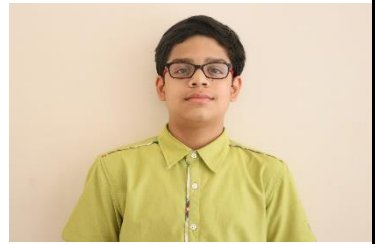

The Investiture Ceremony was held virtually with pride and dignity on 30th July where the newly elected office bearers from Grade IX & X actively participated in the event, which was presided over by the School Principal Mrs. Hema Surapaneni.

The ceremony commenced with Lighting of the Virtual lamp signifying the removal of darkness and showing the path of wisdom and divinity and was followed by the prayer. It also had performances from learners of Pre-Primary to Grade 8. This included song, Poem recitation, Citing Quotes and, the requisites for leadership.

The Honourable Chairperson and our Chief Guest Mrs. Swarajya Lakshmi Surapaneni graced the occasion and said, "I appreciate all the Staff and students of our school for organizing this important event of the year through online, during the challenging times with COVID Pandemic. At Epistemo Vikas Leadership School, we ensure that all learners acquire the skills, knowledge, and attitude necessary to succeed. Academic success is important and it is equally important to develop Leadership skills. The school believes that leadership and learning are indispensable to each other. I congratulate each member of the Student Council Body. The school bestows upon you the ability to be the future leaders of the world. Your investiture marks a milestone in your learning journey. Best Wishes!"

The Principal administered the oath to the Student Council, wherein the newly appointed leaders pledged to uphold the dignity of the school.

### School Prefect Council 2020-2021

Sl. No	NAMES	DESIGNATION	GRADE	
1	Pardhavesa Potharaju	School Head Boy	10B	
2	Srujana Elicherla	School Head Girl	10A	

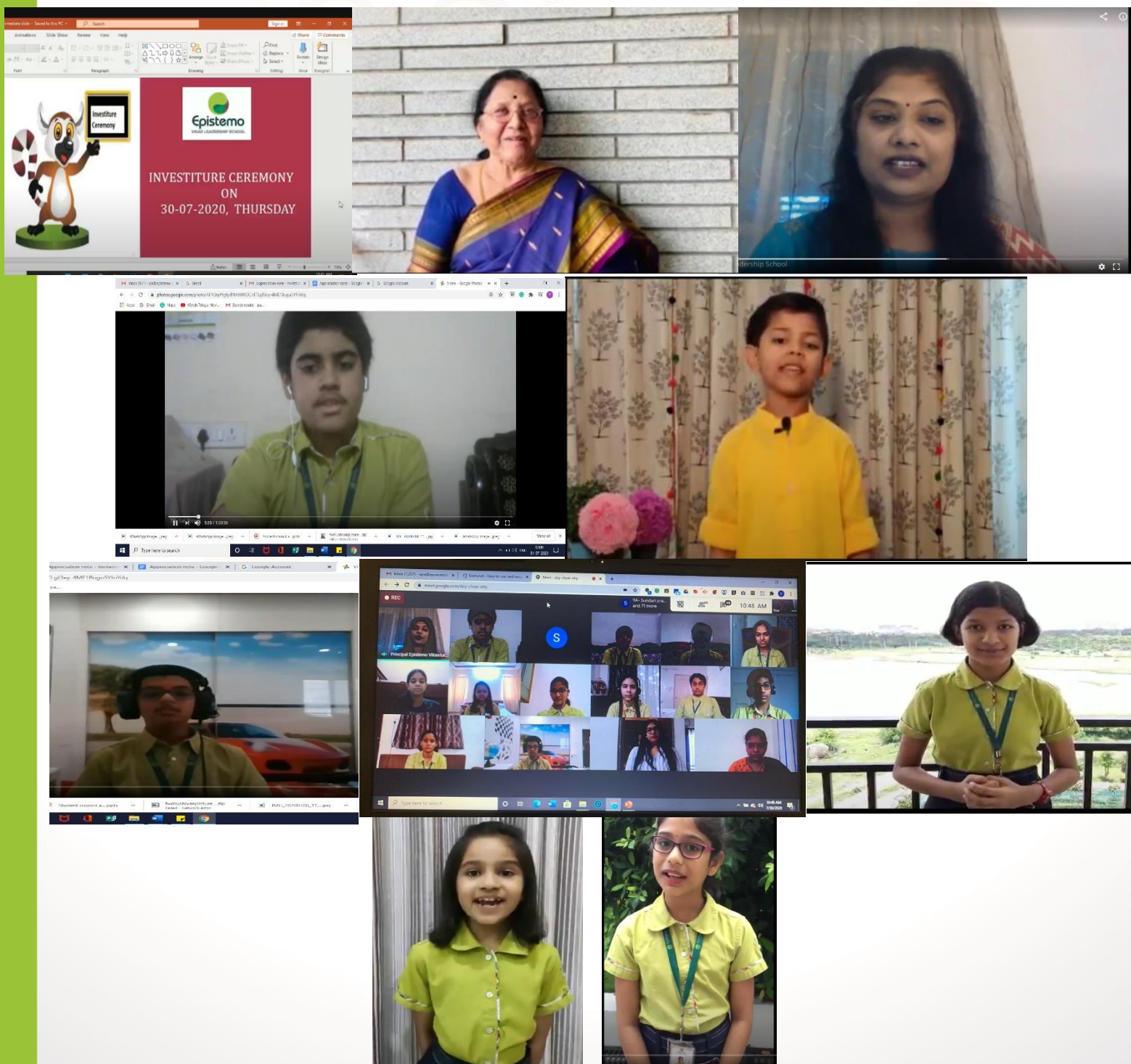


3	Surya Pranav	Deputy Head Boy	10A	
4	Krishna Sree	Deputy Head Girl	10B	
5	Oorjitha Mantena	Cultural Captain	10A	
6	Aikya Oruganti	Deputy Cultural Captain	10A	
7	Sai Pranav	Sports Captain	10B	
8	Sundari	Deputy Sports Captain	9A	
9	Suditi Todi	Archimedes House Captain	10B	



10	Aditya Babu	Archimedes Deputy House Captain	10B	
11	Lakshmi Pranathi	Odysseus House Captain	10B	
12	Spoorthi Chava	Odysseus Deputy House Captain	9B	
13	Guru Sai Prasad	Pythagoras House Captain	10A	
14	Tamanna Yadav	Pythagoras Deputy House Captain	9B	
15	Sadhana Damaraju	Socrates House Captain	10A	
16	Chinmayi Chintalapati	Socrates Deputy House Captain	10B	

The Principal Mrs. Hema Surapaneni congratulated the newly elected office bearers and reminded them of the responsibilities towards their school, their peers, and themselves that their new office brings them. She also encouraged them to be role models to all students in the school by virtue of their discipline and deportment worthy of an ideal school student. The new student council took up the mantle of their new responsibilities with enthusiasm and promise. Later she added that “Being a learner and Being a Leader” are like two sides of a coin, which needs to be well balanced. Adding to what is to be a leader, she imbibed the values of ‘We’ instead of ‘I’ in student's minds’. “Don’t work to please others, Work to please yourself” mentioning this she also added that there is ‘No Substitute to Hard Work’. Talking about Time Management and its importance, she also recommended students to be consistent and Good Team players. To keep up the spark in students and make them better leaders, she asked them to skip the ‘E’ and let it ‘go’. She also concluded by saying that “Value-Driven Leadership” is the need of the hour. The program was concluded with the National Anthem.





***"We must find time to stop and thank the people who make a difference in our lives." – John F. Kennedy***

**Thank you note from newly elected Student Council Body**

"I cannot express in words how grateful I am to this institution to provide to me such a huge responsibility. It was something I have been dreaming of since years, and to be able to finally exercise my duties as head boy is a privilege for me and I would work towards providing justice to the post. A huge thank you to all teachers, and our dear principal ma'am for trusting me and giving me this responsibility. I would work hard and serve my school. Thank you once again."

**- Pardhavesa Potharaju ( School Head Boy)**

"As soon as I heard my name, I was in the middle of a slight shock I got really excited. I would like to thank all our dear teachers and our dear principle who have supported me and also trusted me that I am good enough to be a leader.

I always wanted to lead a huge a number of people since I was in 6th. So, this is basically a small part of my dream that has actually come true."

**-Sundari (Deputy Sports Captain)**

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the teachers who put their faith in me and made me the Archimedes house captain. I appreciate your confidence in me to do what's in the best interest of the school and my house. Thank you again for having faith in me. I will not let you down."

**- Suditi Todi (Archimedes House Captain)**

"I express my deepest gratitude towards all of you for believing that I would be able to take up this esteemed post of the Deputy house captain. I would also like to thank you all for the many times all of you have supported, encouraged, appreciated and corrected me. I also appreciate the school staff for organising such a wonderful and well planned event, and thank them for providing us with the same, warm environment, like every time. I will put in my best efforts to stand beyond the limits, and I'm also excited and looking forward to all the challenges we have ahead." - **Tamanna Yadav (Pythagoras Deputy House Captain)**

"I Sadhana Damaraju am very grateful for this opportunity to be the Socrates House Captain of Epistemo for the 2020-2021 session. I would like to thank all the teachers and our principal ma'am for having this trust in me, and I guarantee I won't let you down. Epistemo has made me who I am today and I am very proud to say that. Epistemo is not a school, it is a family. I am honored to be a part of this family. Being a part of the student council comes with a lot of responsibility and I believe I can fulfill this responsibility. I once again would like to thank the amazing teachers of our school and principal ma'am for this opportunity and I would also like to congratulate all the members of the student council."

**-Sadhana Damaraju (Socrates House Captain)**

**Video Link: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/3VJ6wg8FqBwN5gsg6>**

**“Poetry lifts the veil from the hidden beauty of the world, and makes familiar objects be as if they were not familiar.” — Percy Bysshe Shelley**

The young lemurs have penned down a few beautiful poems bringing out the beauty of words.

### **Sustained Metaphor for Sea**

a is a universe,  
Filled with creatures diverse.  
Like many a planet and a star,  
The sea has the plant and the fish star.  
The universe has supernova bright,  
In the dark of the sea glowing jellyfish throws light.  
Light can't reach universe edge,  
Nor can it touch the seabed.  
Has anyone ever heard the sound  
of the Milky way,  
Is it like the sound of the whooshing wave?

**-Ishaan of Grade 7 B**

Splashing everywhere,  
It brings few shells here and there  
It's a joyful wave.

They are calm and blue  
Filled with beautiful creatures  
Brings life to surfers.

Bringing life to us  
Water is truly something  
That we need: to live.

Water is precious  
depriving is a curse while  
abundance, a boon.

**-Meghavardhan Mandadi, 7A**

### **Hope Shines Eternal**

Somewhere's a book  
With chapters still blank  
Inside  
It's the book of our lives  
And the story is ours  
To write  
Some pages fade  
While others are black  
And white  
And the story begins  
Again every time  
We try



And hope shines eternal  
And friends are all I need (All I need)  
And hope shines eternal (Shines eternal)  
And the future is always bri-i-i-ight  
When you're here with me  
I fought through the darkness  
And come out the  
Another side  
For rain clouds will clear  
Make way for the  
Sunny skies  
I've been afraid  
And stayed through the longest  
Nights  
But morning still comes  
And with it, it brings a light  
And hope shines eternal  
And friends are all I need (Friends are all I need)  
And hope shines eternal (Shines eternal)  
And the future is always bri-i-i-ight  
The future is always bri-i-ight  
Yeah, the future is always bri-i-i-ight  
When you're here with me.

**-Haasini Settipally 8B**

### **RIGHT THERE IN FRONT OF ME**

I spent so much time searchin'  
Lookin' for somethin' more  
Diggin' holes too deep  
And opening every door  
And when you stand too close  
Yeah, the picture's never clear  
And when you look too far away  
It all but disappears  
And it was right there in front of me  
Just too close for me to see  
Sometimes the things you want  
Are not the things you need  
And it was right there in front of me  
There was a time before  
I didn't know where I belonged  
I thought I needed more  
And that I couldn't get along

But who I am  
Was all I ever needed  
And when I faced that test  
I finally succeeded  
And it was right there in front of me  
Just too close for me to see  
Sometimes the things you want

Are not the things you need  
And it was right there in front of me  
And it's all I'll ever need  
And it was right there in front of me  
And it's all I'll ever need  
And it was right there in front of me  
Oh oh oh  
All this time  
It was in front of me

**-Haasini Settipally 8B**

