



HILBURN NEWS



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Ms.Sulochana Herath

Dear Students,

Welcome to the new academic year!

This academic year our main focus is to improve all our academic standards. As a school we are trying our level best to reach the maximum potential level of every student of the school.

My dear students, I would like to remind you about creating goals and targets for your academics, as I mentioned during the first day assembly. I can see that some of you have already created the goals and working towards those.

I need you to plan and organize your time to achieve in both academics and extra-curricular activities with a balance. As your principal my wish is to see all my students perform in all possible areas. I know all your capabilities and how influential you are for the future world. School academic calendar is created in a way that all the students can enjoy school life while learning. Therefore, we want all the students to involve in all events and extra-curricular activities to improve their skills.

Wishing you a wonderful year ahead!



MESSAGE FROM THE CLASS TEACHER

Self-Motivation

Motivation is an essential factor that changes positive thought into instant action. It switches a great idea into action and can undoubtedly affect the world around you. However, not all were born with motivation. People sometimes have disbelief in themselves. They often say, "I can't do that" or "The timing is not right." Being demotivated means living a life as a worn-out machine. Your life will become dull without any spark. Motivation is a force that pushes you closer to your dream. It gives you a purpose to live with a forever smile on your face.



You can find motivation from a wide range of effective sources, for example, quotes, books, videos, parents, teachers, and even nature.

Motivation helps in making you active in life. You will struggle more to fulfill your goals. A self-motivated person always discovers a way to understand the issues hindering the path to completing a task.

Motivation is one of the vital factors to be successful in any phase of your life. As a motivated person, you will always try to push your limits and develop your performance level every day.

Moreover, you will continuously thrive on giving your best during every task. You will see that you remain dedicated and progressive towards the objectives of life. Lastly, your dreams and goals will come true as you always aimed.

So, always stay motivated in life without losing hope. When you stay motivated each day, it'll push you closer to your goals. Learn to remain calm when you go through any hard day. It's an excellent habit and must be applied in life. As a result, all your negative thoughts will start fading away

Ms. Tachini Athukorala
Class teacher - Grade 12C

Youth Entrepreneurship

Youth is the Future of every nation & inheritors of the earth tomorrow. This statement stands true in every sense. When a country has a healthy youth population, you will find the country making headway in terms of overall development and progress. A country with a high aging population and a lower youth population has a lot of problems to contend with that can slow its growth.

The world today has transited into a 'Technology Era'. Technology has enabled progress in all fields and all societies.

Technological revolution has changed the face of lives of people bringing healthcare, information, and connectivity to even the most remote areas that were hereto isolated. Though people say and believe that Leadership is born and cannot be learned, the saying may not hold ground in all circumstances.

When it comes to Youth and Entrepreneurship, a sustained effort to build leadership or entrepreneurial ship helps and yields results. Youth Entrepreneurship is an amalgamation of attitude, character, behavior, passion, natural orientation towards entrepreneurship, and leadership sharpened by training and building awareness and skills necessary to become entrepreneurs. A good leader alone may not make a good entrepreneur and a good entrepreneur need not necessarily be a savvy leader. It takes a lot more to become a Youth Entrepreneur.

Entrepreneurship as an attitude can be nurtured and developed in the youth at early formative stages. Integrating Entrepreneurship development as a part of the high school curriculum and expanding the same stream into college and university levels helps to give impetus to budding entrepreneurial minds and allows them to give shape to their ideas and dreams. Sustained educational and awareness-building programs combined with training in business skills help develop a culture that promotes enterprise.

Youth entrepreneurship is important to reduce unemployment: – Unemployment is a bigger challenge that the world trying to answer in this decade.

Youth entrepreneurs are the future of the economy: – There is no doubt that youth are the future of our world. Thinking from an economic perspective, youth entrepreneurs are the future of the economy. Because, youth entrepreneurs contribute to the economy by job creating, increasing productivity, utilizing rural resources, and implementing novel innovations.

Youth entrepreneurship helps to create new values in the economy: – Youth are more innovative compared to adults. Globalization and digital technology help youth to be more innovative than adults. They are not afraid to break the status quo, and they are not limited to cultural barriers.

Youth entrepreneurship is important to sustain generation development.

Youth entrepreneurs are playing a big part in technology development: – Youth, especially the Z generation are more capable of technology-based innovations. This is because they are more like to live with technology and they are more reliant on technology.



STUDENTS' CORNER

International Day of Education

International Day of Education, also marked as Education Day, is celebrated globally to shed light on the vital role of education. This day is visualized to promote gender equality, inclusivity, and eradication of poverty through quality education and democratic participation. Education is an investment that holds the power to transform the present into a sustainable future. The day will promote countless learning methods to bring together talented minds, ensure peace, and safeguard the planet.



To celebrate the importance of education in bringing peace and sustainable development, the United Nations General Assembly adopted an intention on December 3, 2018, to reveal January 24 as the International Day of Education. The intention was adopted by the United Nations in the co-authorization of Nigeria and 58 other member states. UNESCO, a body of the United Nations, facilitates this day's observance with countries and education providers.

Education is a human right, and it plays an extraordinary role in one's life. It is a great means to solve critical world problems, including poverty, financial development, innovation, and well-being. If we are to transform lives and make this world a happy place, we will need education.

To achieve the pillars of Sustainable Development Goals, the leading challenge was to provide education to all. That is why the International Day of Education works as an authority to achieve other goals of the United Nations.

The day also points to promoting education as a fundamental human right that should be available to people in all parts of the world.

When a portion of people have access to advanced technologies while the other needs the basic, we need to prioritize education as a public responsibility. With the support of governments, international agencies, partnerships, and sponsorships, we can dream of making the world a better place by relating education to all.

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EThe Essence of Effective Leadership

Leadership is a vital ingredient in the recipe for success, whether in business, politics, or everyday life. Effective leadership goes beyond merely holding a position of authority; it's about inspiring and guiding others toward a common goal. True leaders possess a unique blend of qualities that set them apart.



First and foremost, communication is the key. Effective leaders excel in conveying their vision and goals clearly, ensuring that everyone on their team understands the mission. They actively listen to feedback, encourage open dialogue, and foster an environment where ideas are valued.

Empathy is another hallmark of exceptional leadership. Leaders who understand the emotions and concerns of their team members can build trust and rapport.

By showing genuine care for their well-being, leaders inspire loyalty and commitment from their followers.

Leadership also requires adaptability. In an ever-changing world, the ability to pivot and make informed decisions is paramount. Great leaders remain flexible and open to new ideas, recognizing that innovation often arises from unexpected sources.

Furthermore, integrity is non-negotiable. Trust is the bedrock of leadership, and it can be easily eroded by dishonesty or inconsistency. Leaders who act with honesty, fairness, and transparency earn the respect and admiration of those they lead.

Lastly, resilience is a defining characteristic of effective leaders. They bounce back from setbacks, learning from failures rather than dwelling on them. This resilience is contagious, motivating the team to persevere through challenges.

In conclusion, leadership is not merely a title but a set of qualities that inspire and guide others towards success. Effective leaders communicate, empathize, adapt, act with integrity, and demonstrate resilience. By embodying these traits, they create a positive and productive environment that fosters growth and achievement for everyone involved.

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Beauty Of Kashmir

The word Kashmir is derived from Sanskrit. A popular local etymology of Kashmir is that it is land desiccated from water.

Kashmir is the northernmost geographic region of the both Pakistan and India Subcontinent.

The valleys of Kashmir are untamed and unspoiled. Surrounded by beautiful mountains, these valleys echo nature. The charming lakes, the lakes of Kashmir are crystal clear, and cool water has a stunning look when seen through. Kashmir valley between the great Himalaya and Pir Panjal Range. The evergreen forests the gentle breeze blowing through its leaves.



The disadvantages of Kashmir are

1. Because of the extremely cold weather of Kashmir people move to nearby cities to survive.
2. In the high mountains of Kashmir, the risk of death is high.
3. Kashmir has no special power over the control system.
4. The war between the Pakistan and India kills the beauty of Kashmir.

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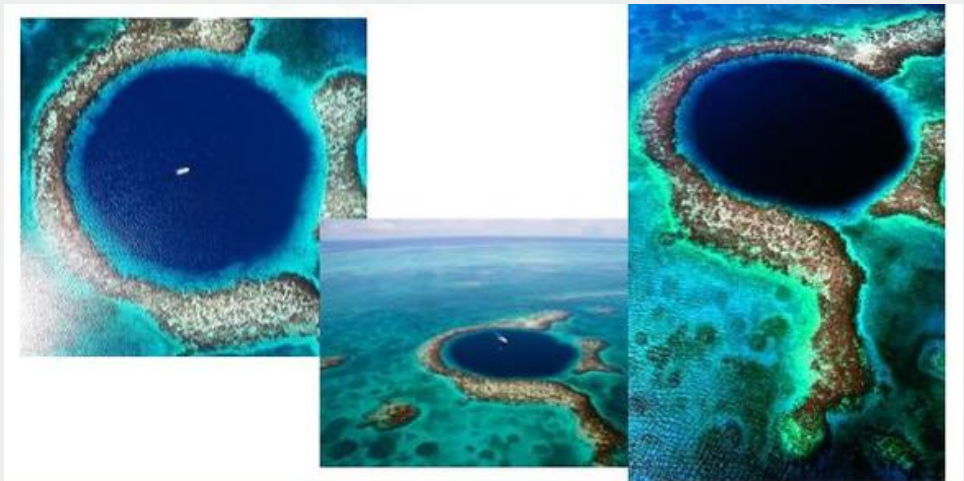
The Great Blue Hole

Have you ever heard of The Great Blue Hole? This is one of the most stunning locations that remains undiscovered by many people. The name may seem self-explanatory, but it doesn't fully capture its essence. The Great Blue Hole is a giant marine sinkhole off the coast of Belize. Located near the center of Lighthouse Reef, a small atoll situated 70 km from the mainland and Belize City. . The hole boasts a circular shape, with a diameter of 318 m and a depth of 124 m. Its surface area measures 70,650 square meters. It is a world heritage site protected by the Belize Audubon Society and is a must-visit destination for scuba divers.



The Great Blue Hole is a network of intricate limestone caves. It was above ground before being submerged by melting ice caps 14,000 years ago. Today, it measures 300 meters in width and remains an astonishing and largely unexplored marvel of nature. Many divers enjoy exploring the beautiful and colorful marine life while diving. However, the Great Blue Hole is home to many unique and interesting creatures that thrive in the surrounding coral. Blue holes are underwater sinkholes that contain unique seawater chemistry and diverse marine life, including corals, sponges, mollusks, sea turtles, and sharks. This dive location is known to have the highest number of diver fatalities in the world, with an estimated total of 130 to 200 fatalities in recent years. However, the reasons behind this alarming statistic are not yet fully understood. The sinkhole located in Belize's Lighthouse Reef has been described by NASA as a large circular formation with a deep blue center surrounded by a sea of lighter colors. This contrast makes it easily visible even from space. The surrounding atoll, which is made up of shallow

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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

Wishing you a fantastic academic year 2023 /2024 filled with growth, learning, and success!



SINHALA SPEECH COMPETITION

Sinhala Speech Competition First round grades 1 to 12 was held on 11th September 2023



SINHALA HANDWRITING COMPETITION

Sinhala Handwriting Competition was successfully hosted on 13th September 2023. The competition took place in respective classes, providing an engaging platform for students to showcase their exceptional handwriting skills.



SINHALA ESSAY COMPETITION

An essay contest in Sinhala was held on September 14, 2023, during the extra period.



Sinhala Poetry/Story Writing Competition

Congratulations to all participants of the Sinhala Handwriting Competition held on 15th September 2023.



Prefect Induction Ceremony

We are delighted to share the highlights of our recent Prefect Induction Ceremony, an event that marked a significant milestone in recognizing and welcoming a group of outstanding individuals into leadership roles.

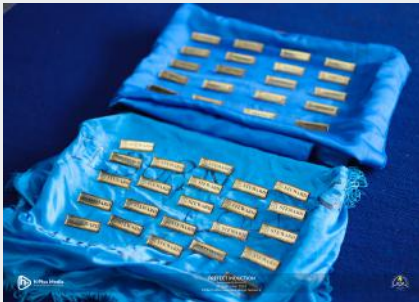
The ceremony, held on 21st September 2023 was a reflection of our commitment to fostering leadership, responsibility, and excellence within our community.

The Prefect Induction Ceremony of 2023/2024 at Avissawella Hilburn International College took place on the 21st of September in the college's auditorium.

It was a momentous occasion as our newly appointed student leaders took their oaths, committing to lead by example and uphold the cherished values of our college.

This day marked a significant milestone in their educational journey, symbolizing their readiness to embrace leadership roles and responsibilities.

As they embark on this important chapter, we extend our warmest wishes for their future endeavors, confident that they will continue to shine as beacons of excellence in our college community.



Red Day

"Red Day" is an engaging and educational celebration designed to introduce young children to the vibrant world of the color red and explore its captivating characteristics in a fun and interactive way. From red-themed art projects to fun-filled games and dazzling costumes, every snapshot captures the enthusiasm and spirit of our little adventurers. Whether it's painting with red hues, crafting red-themed masterpieces, or engaging in exciting red-themed games, "Red Day" provides a rich and immersive learning experience that goes beyond the surface of color recognition.

Join us in reliving the magic of "Kids' Red Day" and witnessing the world through their colorful, imaginative eyes!





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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 13th October 2023-Debate Competition Second Round
- 19th October 2023-Meditation Day (Pre Grade)
- 20th October 2023-Inter House Debate-Sinhala
- 25th October 2023-Sinhala Kavi Competition -Second Round
- 26th October 2023-Fruit Day (Upper Nursery and Lower Nursery)
- 27th October 2023-Religious Day

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