

MAITREE



In the academic year, 2021-22, Maitree, the annual senior school fest, was held online. It was organised during the month of July and students from classes 9 to 12 took part in the fest. Weeks of preparation was put in for the event, with each house aiming for the top. Many of the events were submissions based, for which impeccable editing and compiling skills were put to use. Students had to harness their digital art skills, their harmonising tactics and their coordination senses to put forward concise and eye catching performances.

“Upbeat” - the group and solo dance event, was a major source of excitement, as is the case every year. Students had to showcase their pre-recorded performances of exquisite body movements that synced along with a variety of tunes for the group category, while the participants for the solo event had to perform live for the eager audience. Another event that piqued everyone's interest was the meme-making event - “What does it Meme?”. Participants from each house were given a pictorial which they had to turn into a meme on a given theme. All the memes received much appreciation for being versatile and relatable. Events like “Pitch In” and “Crossroads”, tested the business acumen, analytical skills and political knowledge of the involved students. These were spontaneous events and required a high level of concentration with the ability to come up with spot.

It sure did keep the audience on the edge of their seats!



“Spill the Ink” - the poetry and illustrating event, “Vibecheck” - the digital art and mood board making event, “Splatter” - the art event, “Showstopper” - the fashion event and “In A Flash “ - the creative writing and photography event - tested the creative abilities of the students. Each of these categories had a specialised theme, which pushed the students to think outside the box to outwit their fellow competitors. “Rhapsody” - had the students using their vocal cords to draw out beautiful symphonies. “Spotlight” and “Characters Inc.” checked the participant’s theatre and storytelling skills. The light was really on the students who had to step into the shoes of a comedian - and sure enough, the whole room was rolling on the ground due to bouts of laughter. Participants in “Outspoken” held the attention of the audience with their voice modulation and choice of pieces that they decided to narrate.

Nothing could be better than to capture the entire process of preparing and getting ready for Maitree. Thus, “Behind the Scenes “ helped to record the backstage efforts of everyone and also tested the editing skills of the students. It helped in wrapping up the two-day event for all to watch and admire.

Rose house took the spot as the overall winner with Orchid house as the runners up. Maitree is something that students always look forward to as it is designed in a manner to be inclusive and open to all.

The two-day fest ended with much joy and happiness, while also nurturing the ever-growing spirit of sportsmanship within everyone.

