

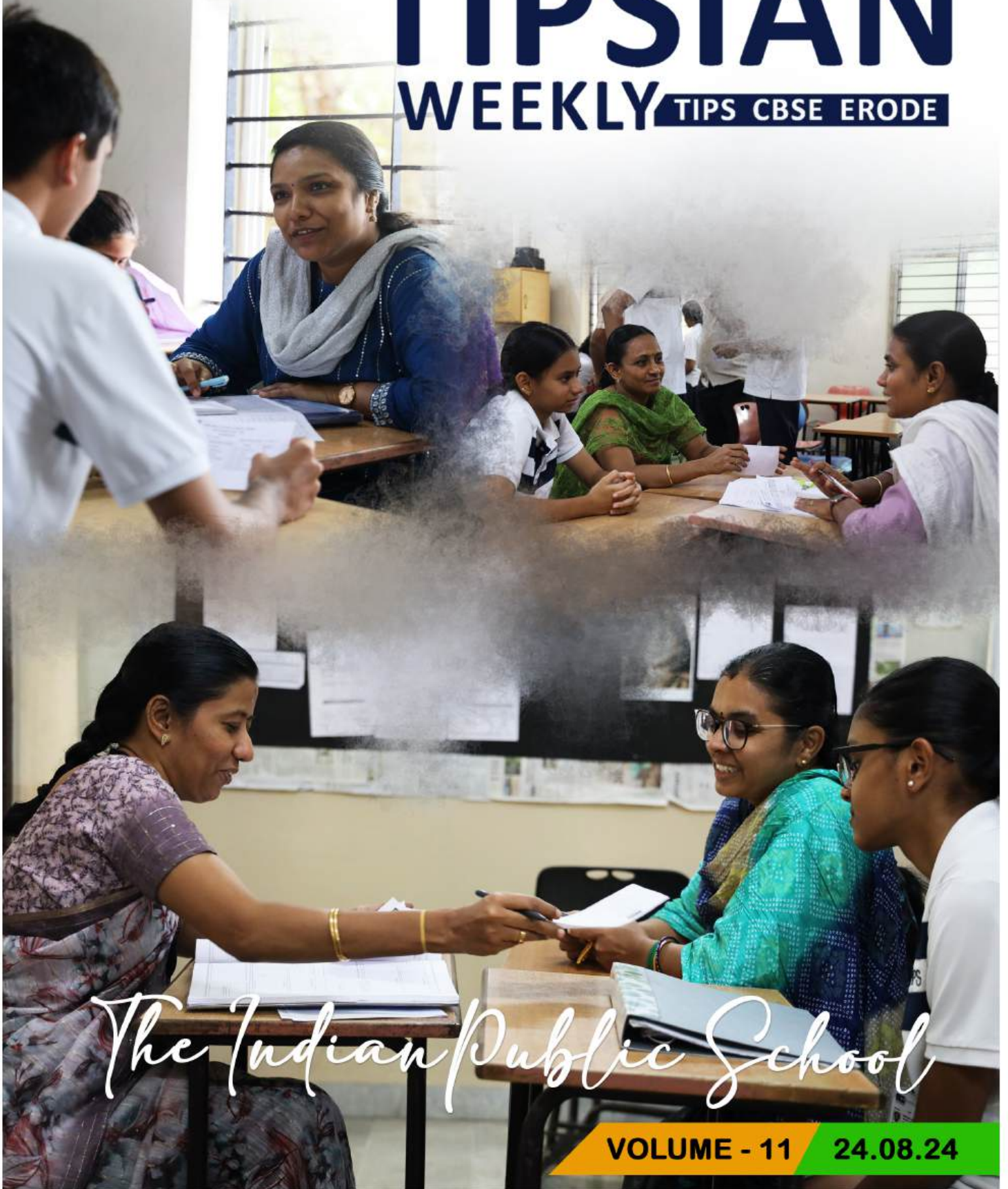


THE  
INDIAN  
PUBLIC  
SCHOOL



# THE TIPSIAN

WEEKLY TIPS CBSE ERODE



*The Indian Public School*

VOLUME - 11

24.08.24

# Contents

1. Principal's Desk
2. Head of the Campus' Desk
3. Editorial
4. Integrated Insights
5. Kaleidoscope
6. Career Compass
7. Wall Of Fame
8. Student's Pen
9. Teacher's Corner
10. The Reading Nook
11. Know your English
12. Vocab Voyage
13. Birthday Bonanza



# CONTENTS

# Principal's Desk

## The Real Purpose of Education: Shaping Lives Through Our School Culture

Education is not merely the accumulation of facts and figures; it is the holistic development of individuals who can think critically, act compassionately, and contribute meaningfully to society. At our school, the true essence of education is woven into every activity, supported by the unwavering dedication of our teachers and staff.

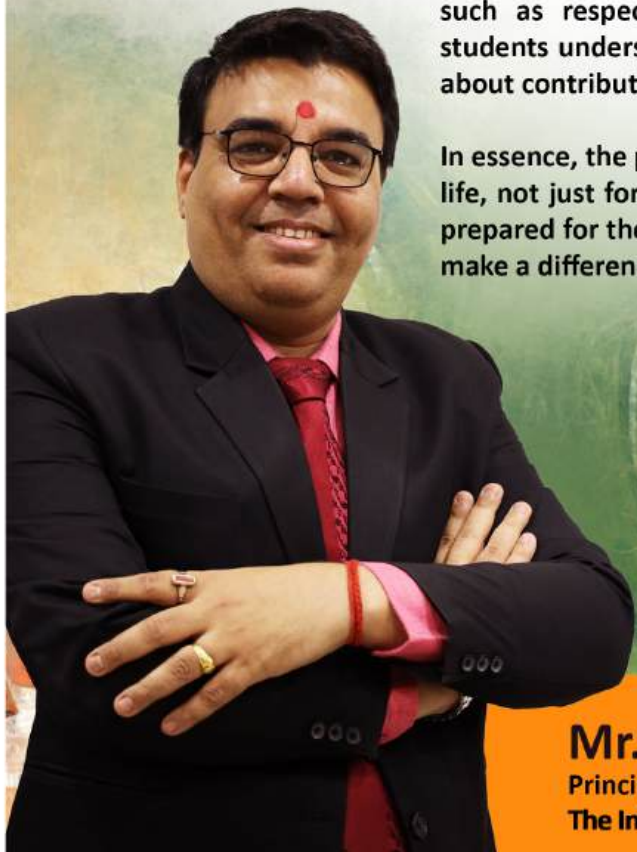
In our classrooms, education transcends textbooks. Teachers guide students to explore, question, and connect learning to real-world scenarios. Through interactive discussions and collaborative projects, students are encouraged to think independently and work collectively, fostering a sense of responsibility and teamwork.

Through various activities integrated into our school culture, we aim to develop the holistic development of every child. Our academic programs challenge students to think critically and creatively, while our extracurricular activities—ranging from sports to arts and community service—teach teamwork, perseverance, and empathy. By engaging in these diverse experiences, students learn the importance of balance and the value of both intellectual and emotional intelligence.

Beyond academics, our school culture emphasizes character building. Activities such as community service, leadership programs, and extracurricular clubs are integral parts of our educational framework. These opportunities allow students to develop empathy, resilience, and a strong moral compass, preparing them for the challenges of the future.

Furthermore, our school fosters an environment where character education is prioritized. Daily interactions, Club activities, assemblies, Outbound Learning Trips and special projects encourage students to embody values such as respect, responsibility, and kindness. These experiences help students understand that education is not just about personal success, but about contributing to the greater good.

In essence, the purpose of education at our school is to prepare students for life, not just for exams. We strive to cultivate individuals who are not only prepared for the challenges of the modern world but who are also driven to make a difference.



**Mr. Atul Runthala**

Principal

The Indian Public School, CBSE, Erode



## SHARPEN YOUR SKILLS!

Dear TIPSIANS,

We have been analysing various 'Skill' sets that you need to hone and equip yourself with to scale high in your chosen pathways and goals. For the past couple of weeks, we have been reflecting on few 'People Skills' that are vital for all of us to evolve as better individuals and to keep progressing towards our dreams without losing our true identity. This week, we have come to the culmination of the write-up on these Skill Sets. However, in reality there's no cessation to the learning, improvising and perfecting of these Skill Sets in our journey of Progression and Success.

The following are some of the essential People Skills that you may need to refine to add yet another feather in your glimmering cap of Holistic Skill Sets.

**1. Open-Mindedness and Flexibility:** When you are Open-Minded to others' view points, opinions or suggestions, you tend to be more approachable to your fellow people or your teammates. You also tend to observe and learn more from others and your immediate environment. This one quality would undoubtedly earn you trust, respect and camaraderie from your circle of family, friends, teammates and the people you closely work with. Also, when you are Open-Minded you learn to become flexible, understanding that plans, policies and priorities are always subject to change and that change is the only permanent thing. This outlook supports you to remain calm and composed when things change and in reprioritising your tasks as per the renewed changes.



**2. Feel the Pulse of your Audience:** This connotes that you should be aware of what to speak, when to speak and how to speak. Talking about a scrumptious meal that you enjoyed, to a person who is down with fever is quite absurd. Being understanding and empathetic on one end and smart enough to know what, when and how to speak is the pinnacle of mastering People Skills.



**3. Honesty:** Being Honest in your thoughts, words and deeds reflects your 'True Authentic Self' and creates 'Trust' in the minds of the people who associate with you. Honesty is not only the best and strongest policy, but contrastingly a very fragile one too. Once you deviate from it and lose the Trust of your near and dear ones, you cannot regain it to its original form. A crushed or crumbled paper with all the crevices cannot be made to look like a new one.

**4. Motivation:** Encouraging and Motivating the team members will undoubtedly inspire them to give their best and would create an atmosphere of positivity and enthusiasm. It would lead your team or any members of your extended circle in the right direction.

**5. Collaboration:** Collaborating as a team is undoubtedly a striking People Skill. When you Collaborate as a team towards a Common goal, you certainly need to overhaul your Skills in Communicating effectively with others, categorically setting the expected responsibilities of the members and managing your timelines in an appropriate manner without compromising the set of expected standards or benchmarks.



6. **Being Assertive:** By being Assertive, you stand up for what you believe while maintaining your cool or staying calm and positive. Being Assertive allows you to balance your priorities, while also respecting the rights and priorities of others. By being Assertive, you would be able to set the right boundaries for your Self-Respect, Dignity and Self-Worth and at the same time you respect the other person too, thereby establishing a 'Win-Win'solution for any challenging situation. You also learn to say 'No' without being disrespectful.

7. **Conflict Resolution:** When you work with any fellow human beings, be it your parents, siblings, friends or your team-mates, Conflicts or Differences of Opinion are bound to happen. By being able to give a Patient Listening to the other person's views, besides respecting their perspective and recognising how it differs from yours would enable you to find a suitable solution to the problems subsequently resulting in a healthier, happier and long-lasting relationship filled with mutual Trust, Respect and Confidence.

8. **Patience:** Patience can even move Mountains. When you are Patient, your Mind is Calm and Composed and would help you in getting better outcomes. With Patience comes Focus, Active Listening, Organised Planning with set priorities and effective Time -Management. Patience also teaches you to let go of things that are beyond your control and helps you stay grounded always.

9. **Being Respectful:** Be Polite, Kind and Courteous in the way you speak, act and deal with others. Avoid being judgemental and showing discrimination in any form whatsoever. Caste, Creed, Social Status, Gender, Cultural, Linguistic and other such differences in any form should not hinder your ability of Being Respectful to a fellow-human-being. When others feel Respected, Valued and Cared, for what they are, it gives them immense Strength and Happiness pushing them to give their best in whatever they do.

10. **Sense of Humour:** A good Sense of Humour is a natural Gift to some, helping them to navigate the challenging situations in life with a Smile. If you have a good Sense of Humour you would be able to look at the lighter or happier side of the situations that may seem to be complicated or darker for the common people. It helps you stay away from anger, stress, negative emotions and conflicts. A Healthy Sense of Humour is an integral part of your Emotional and Social well-being.

Hope, the striking Skill Sets we have been cautiously analysing for nearly 4 weeks have given you a glimpse of various Skill Sets you all need to equip yourself with and sharpen it to the point of Absolute Mastery. This will help you become the Master of your Circumstances and the Creator of your New Pathways of Divine Destiny without forgetting the Indispensible Life skill of Gratitude for all the Blessings of Life you are enjoying and will continue to Enjoy in the Progressive Path of Success!!!



sure  
decisive  
confident  
firm  
insistent  
positive  
certain  
**assertive**



**Ms.S.SWARNALATHA**  
Head of Campus, ( I - VIII )  
The Indian Public School, CBSE, Erode

## Nurturing Respect: A Habit Worth Growing

"Respect is a two-way street, if you want to get it, you've got to give it." — R.G. Risch

Respect isn't just about how we treat others; it's also about how we interact with the world around us—our belongings, the environment, and even our school. Developing the habit of respecting things is important because it shapes our character and how we are perceived by others.

Think about it: when you respect your schoolbooks, you keep them in good condition, which helps you study better. When you respect your surroundings, you don't litter, making the environment cleaner and more enjoyable for everyone. It might seem small, but these actions add up!

Respecting things also teaches responsibility. When you take care of your belongings, you're practicing responsibility and showing that you can be trusted. This can lead to greater independence and the chance to earn more privileges at home and school.

Mahatma Gandhi said, "A nation's culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people." This extends to how we respect what we have. By nurturing this habit, you're contributing to a culture of care and responsibility. So, whether it's your school uniform, the classroom, or your friend's pencil, showing respect makes the world a better place for everyone.

Start small, stay consistent, and see how this simple habit transforms your life!

**Radhai Shanmugam**  
Managing Editor



## Celebrating excellence

The Monthly Awards Program is designed to honor exceptional academic achievements among students in NEET, JEE (Grades 11 and 12), and Integrated Foundation Classes (Grades 8-10). This initiative not only celebrates top performers but also inspires all students to pursue excellence, fostering a culture of hard work and dedication.

We congratulate all the students for their hard work and perseverance!



## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY-BUILDING CHARACTER AND COMMUNITY

Today's assembly was conducted by Grade 12 A1, focusing on the theme of Communal Harmony Day, also known as Sadbhavana Day. The importance of harmony and peaceful coexistence was emphasized through a thoughtful speech delivered by Narain Sharvesh. The news segment, presented by Kavin Pranav and Krithikk, further underscored the significance of this day. Additionally, Mritika Shree contributed by creating a chart related to Sadbhavana Day, which added a visual element to the assembly.

The assembly concluded with the National Anthem, after which the gathering was dispersed.





# Career Compass

## Career Compass: Navigating Your Future

### Students Engage in Career Exploration through Mindler's Career Guidance Platform

Students from Grades 9 to 12 recently participated in a lab activity session focused on completing their profiles on Mindler's Career Guidance Platform. This initiative is part of the school's ongoing efforts to support students in their career exploration and development.

During the session, students diligently filled out their profile details, which will serve as the foundation for their personalised career guidance. These profiles are essential for tailoring the platform's recommendations and insights to each student's unique strengths and interests.

In the coming days, students will complete an assessment designed to further refine their career insights and provide more targeted recommendations. This process plays a crucial role in helping students understand their potential career paths and make informed decisions about their futures.

The school remains committed to providing students with the necessary tools and resources for thoughtful career planning. The outcomes of their assessments on the Mindler platform are eagerly anticipated, as they will offer valuable guidance in the students' journey toward fulfilling and successful careers.

### CGPS Team



**M MINDLER**

**Discover What's Right  
For You After School**  
With the Mindler Career  
Guidance Program!

The graphic features a purple background with a yellow cross icon and several concentric yellow circles in the bottom right corner.



## Wall of Fame

The 13th Praveen Chess Academy Inter-Academy Tournament Championship concluded with a thrilling victory by S.A. Guru Rudraks. He emerged as the Title Winner with an impressive score of 5.5 out of 6 points.

This achievement is particularly notable as it marks Guru Rudraks' 10th title in the Praveen Chess Academy Inter-Academy Tournament Championship, out of the 13 tournaments held to date. His consistent performance has solidified his reputation as a dominant player in the academy's history.

The tournament showcased intense competition, but Guru Rudraks' skill and determination once again set him apart as a champion.



Icarus woke up with a deep gasp. His breath was unstable and his body shivered. He clasped his head with his hands and tried to comprehend everything he went through. He was inside a small house and beside him was a human, her face was stressed. It was evident that she was worried about Icarus. She tried to hold him and calm him down.

She was his sister, Eleni. Icarus held Eleni's face and caressed it, tears rolled down from her eyes. She hugged him tightly and wept, Icarus couldn't help but cry. Ravenna, Nyx and Thalric were outside the house and keenly watched through the window.

"We have to talk, first of all, Icarus's kind of aliens don't belong to Mars but they belong to Earth?! Our calculations predicted that there was no life on Earth! This is mad! Second of all, Icarus has got his memories back. Third of all, our spaceship is out of fuel. This cannot get worse" yelled Thalric furiously. They had found Icarus on Mars, hence they concluded that he belonged to Mars. According to some of their evidently faulty calculations, they had predicted that there was no life on Earth. Now they have run into humans, and many of them. They had no idea what kind of power the humans wielded and Icarus, he had gotten his memory back. Icarus now knows about all the things that were did to him, all the cruel and brutal things The Glocians could only wait and hope that humans were weak and Icarus would forgive them.

"H-how, how did you- how am I here?" asked Icarus "Did you-"

"It all comes down to fate, I guess. I was down at the beach picking shells for selling, and then I ran into those- creatures. Although it was from a distance, I could tell that you were the body lying there. They wouldn't let me come closer but I saw you. It was you. I tried talking to them but they couldn't understand. And then- you whispered something in the language that those creatures spoke. I didn't understand it but they let me take you" said Eleni.

"We have a lot to catch up on don't we" said Icarus

(Cont in next volume)

**Smrithi Saravanan-10A**



## GERANIUM

Geraniums are popular flowering plants known for their vibrant colours and attractive foliage. They are commonly grown as ornamental plants in gardens and containers. There are various species and hybrids, with the most common being the Pelargonium, which is often confused with true geraniums (genus Geranium). Pelargoniums are appreciated for their diverse flower colours and patterns, while true geraniums (often called hardy geraniums) are known for their ground-covering abilities and resilience in different climates.

**Mrs. Isabella K J**

Department of English



## The most amazing tree in Africa- Baobab tree

Adansonia is a genus made up of eight species of medium-to-large deciduous trees known as baobabs or adansonias. They are placed in the Malvaceae family, subfamily Bombacoideae. The majestic baobab tree is an icon of the African continent and lies at the heart of many traditional African remedies and folklore. They are native to Madagascar, mainland Africa, and Australia.

The generic name honours Michel Adanson, the French naturalist and explorer who described *Adansonia digitata*. The baobab is also known as the "upside down tree", a name that originates from several myths.

They are among the most long-lived of vascular plants and have large flowers that are reproductive for a maximum of 15 hours.

The flowers open around dusk, opening so quickly that movement can be detected by the naked eye, and are faded by the next morning. The fruits are large, oval to round and berry-like and hold kidney-shaped seeds in a dry, pulpy matrix.

In the early 21st century, baobabs in southern Africa began to die off rapidly from a cause yet to be determined. It is unlikely that disease or pests would be able to kill many trees so rapidly, and some have speculated that the die-off is a result of dehydration.

The Baobab has adapted to its environment. It is a succulent, which means that during the rainy season it absorbs and stores water in its vast trunk, enabling it to produce a nutrient-dense fruit in the dry season when all around is dry and arid which is one of the most nutrient-dense foods in the world. That is why it is known as "The Tree of Life".

Baobab is the only fruit in the world that dries naturally on its branch. Instead of dropping and spoiling, it stays on the branch and bakes in the sun for 6 months - transforming its green velvety coating into a hard coconut-like shell. The pulp of the fruit dries out completely. This means the fruit simply needs to be harvested, deseeded and sieved to produce a delicious pure fruit powder.

They can live for up to 5,000 years, reach up to 30 metres high and up to an enormous 50 metres in circumference. Baobab trees can provide shelter, food and water for animals and humans, which is why many savannah communities have made their homes near Baobab trees.

Unlike many other supplements, baobab powder does not have to be spray-dried, freeze-dried or transformed in any way. It is 100% pure fruit in its natural form. Incredibly, the fruit has a natural shelf life of 3 years so there are no preservatives or additives whatsoever.

The striking silhouette of a baobab tree at sunset is a familiar site to anyone who has spent time in rural Africa - but it is also well known all across the world thanks to its starring roles in Disney's *Lion King* (it is Rafiki the monkey's tree), *Avatar* (The Tree of Souls), Madagascar and the famous children's novel *The Little Prince*.

Mrs. Geetha  
Department of Biology



"Crime and Punishment" is a novel by Russian author Fyodor Dostoevsky, first published in 1866. It is one of Dostoevsky's most famous and widely read works, and it is often considered one of the greatest novels in world literature. The novel delves into the psychological and moral dilemmas faced by its protagonist, Rodion Raskolnikov, as he grapples with the consequences of committing a murder.

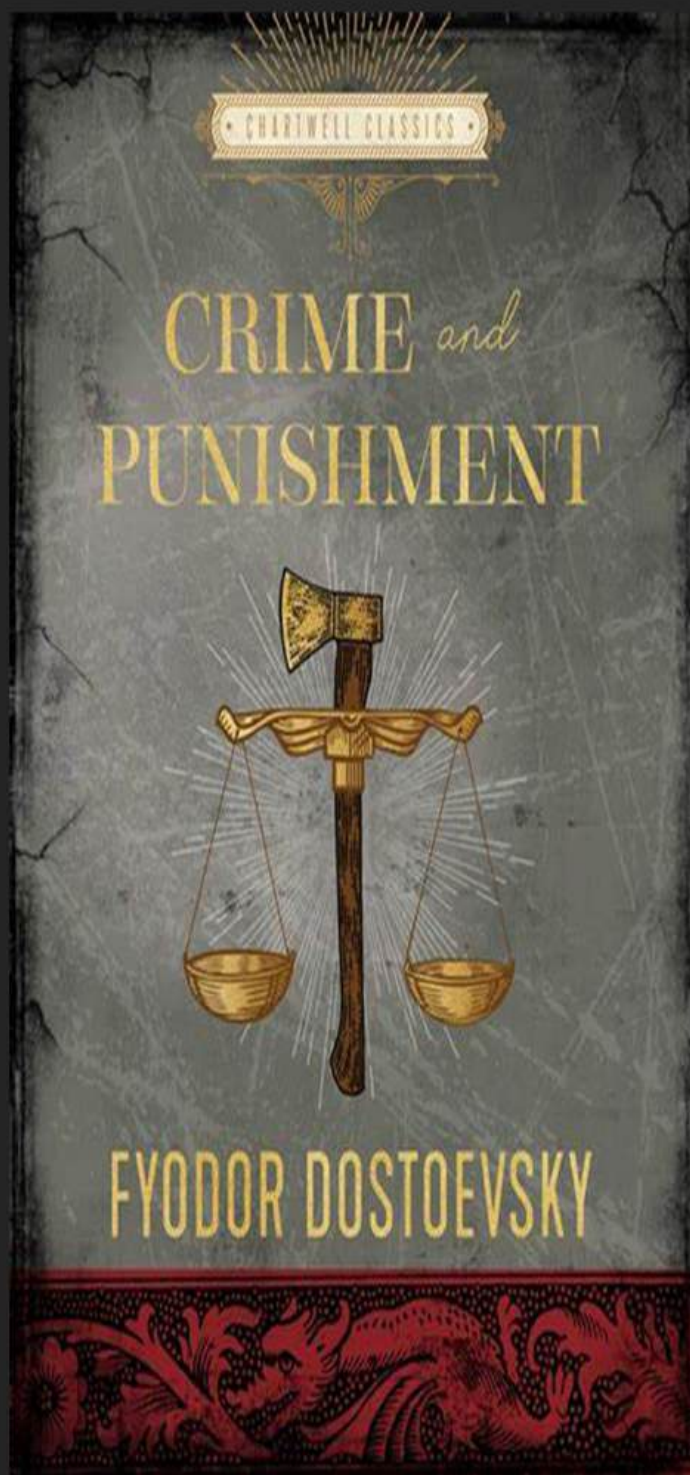
"Crime and Punishment" explores several deep and complex themes:

**Moral Dilemmas and Guilt:** The novel examines the nature of guilt and the moral consequences of committing a crime. Raskolnikov's internal conflict and suffering highlight the psychological impact of guilt. **Redemption and Suffering:** Throughout the novel, Dostoevsky explores the possibility of redemption through suffering. Sonya represents the path of spiritual redemption, while Raskolnikov's journey is one of gradual recognition of his moral failings.

**Poverty and Desperation:** The novel paints a vivid picture of the harsh realities of poverty in 19th-century Russia, showing how economic desperation can lead to moral compromises and destructive actions.

**Alienation and Isolation:** Raskolnikov's sense of alienation from society is a central theme, as his isolation intensifies after the crime, leading to a deeper psychological crisis.

"Crime and Punishment" is a profound exploration of the human psyche, morality, and the consequences of transgression. It delves into the darkest corners of the human mind while offering a glimpse of hope through the possibility of redemption. Dostoevsky's masterful use of psychological insight and philosophical inquiry makes the novel a timeless classic that continues to resonate with readers today.



## Metaphor

Metaphors are figures of speech that describe something by comparing it to something else, often to make an idea clearer or more vivid.

### Examples

**Time is money:** This metaphor suggests that time, like money, is a valuable resource that should not be wasted.

**He's a walking encyclopedia:** This implies that the person is very knowledgeable, much like an encyclopedia.

**The classroom was a zoo:** This metaphor indicates that the classroom was very noisy and chaotic, similar to a zoo.

**Her voice is music to my ears:** This means her voice is very pleasant and enjoyable to hear.

**Life is a journey:** This suggests that life is a process with different stages and experiences, similar to traveling.

**He's the black sheep of the family:** This metaphor means that he is different from the rest of the family, often in a negative way.

**She's on top of the world:** This implies that she is extremely happy or successful, as if she were literally on top of the world.

**The news hit me like a ton of bricks:** This suggests that the news was very shocking or overwhelming.

**Her smile is a ray of sunshine:** This means that her smile brings happiness and warmth to others.

**The project was a rollercoaster ride:** This indicates that the project had many ups and downs, similar to a rollercoaster experience.



**Yesteryear**-Refers to the past, typically a time considered to be better, simpler, or more nostalgic than the present.

**Parts of Speech** - Noun

**Example in a Sentence** - The old photographs brought back memories of the joyful moments of yesteryear.

**Etymology of the word**

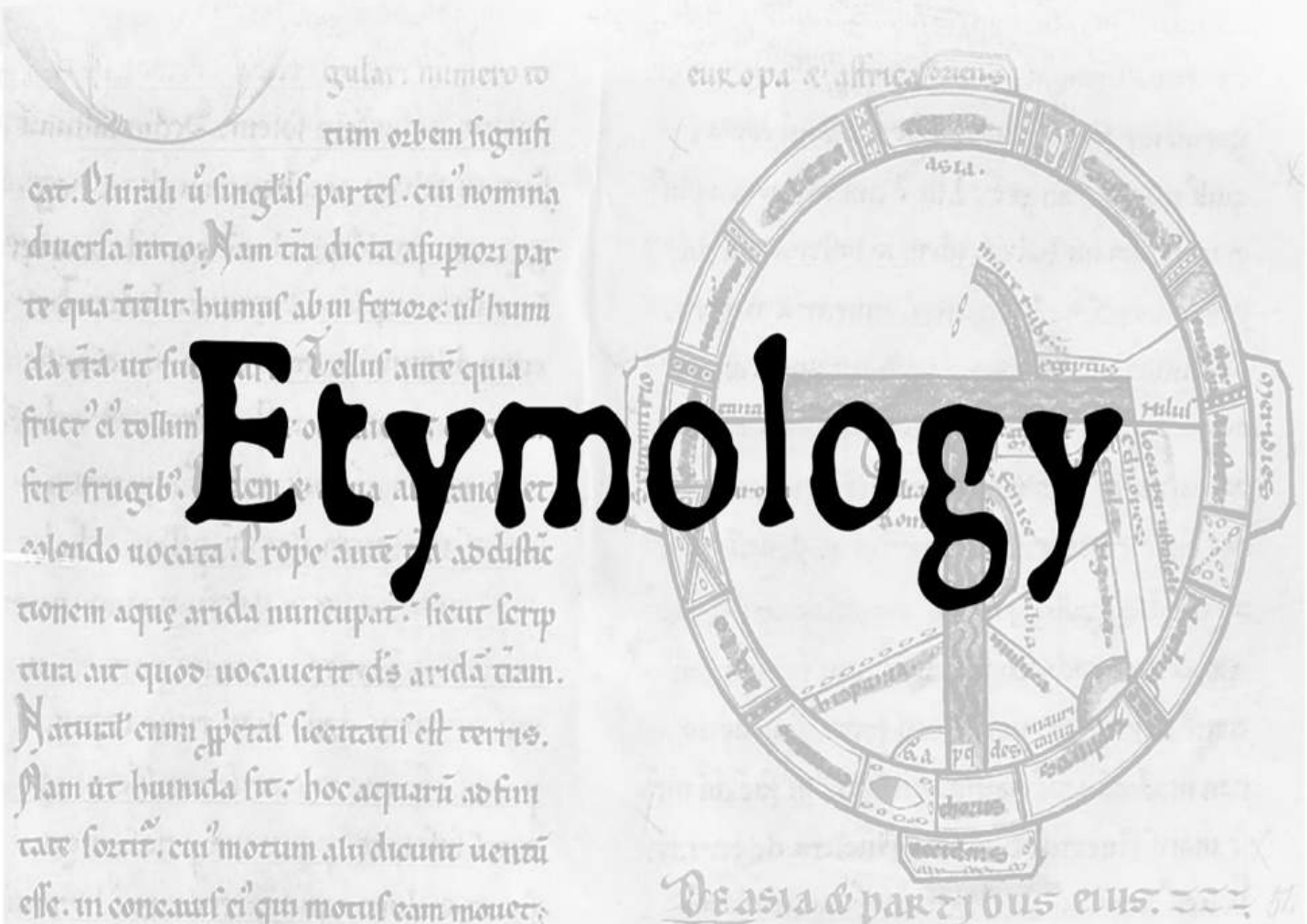
The word "yesteryear" originates from Middle English, combining "yester," meaning "of yesterday" or "previous," and "year," referring to a year.

"Yester-" is derived from Old English "geostran," meaning "yesterday," which itself comes from the Proto-Germanic \*gistraz.

The word "year" comes from Old English "gēar," from the Proto-Germanic \*jēra.

The combination of "yester" and "year" emerged in the late 19th century to poetically or nostalgically refer to past years, often idealized or remembered fondly.

It reflects a longing for a bygone time, evoking a sense of nostalgia.



# Etymology



# Birthday Bonanza

## Happy Birthday!

Wishing you a day filled with love, laughter, and all the things that bring you joy. May this year be full of happiness, success, and countless moments of celebration.

On your special day, take a moment to reflect on all the wonderful things you've accomplished and the incredible person you are. You truly deserve the best that life has to offer.

Cheers to another year of great memories and exciting adventures ahead. Have a fantastic birthday and a year full of amazing surprises!

1. Muhammed Shebin PP 9C August 31
2. Chittish R 10A September 01
3. Ashwath B 10E August 29
4. Awanthikaa V 10E September 02
5. Vivan KG 10E August 27
6. Harshanth SK 11A1 August 27
7. Sahana V 12A1 August 29
8. Deekshitha AG 12BI August 29
9. Asvika RP 12C September 02
10. Sri Anish R 12D August 30

## EDITORIAL BOARD

**Editor-In-Chief**

**Mr. Atul Runthala**

**Managing Editor**

**Ms. Radhai Shanmugam**

**Section Editors**

**Ms. Sreelakshmi V P**

**Ms. Seema Rageesh**

**Mr. Pradeep Kumar**

**Ms. Femy Thulaseedharan**

**Mr. Syed**

**Mr. Gerald Chelliah**

**Ms. Isabella K J**

**Design**

**Mr. Satheesh Sivan**

THE  
**TIPSIAN**  
WEEKLY TIPS CBSE ERODE



**THE  
INDIAN  
PUBLIC  
SCHOOL**

TIPS CBSE ERODE

