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It's official! The Grade 5 crew is showing off the spectacularly trimmed Christmas tree. The Grade 9 alumni returned to the school last night and worked their magic to bring the tree to life, making it a true sign that the holiday season is in full swing.

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DR. REVATHI
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

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Dear Parents and Well-wishers of Sathya Sai School,

We are delighted to share the news of Sathya Sai School's alumnus teacher and TDSB Trustee Mr. Parthi Kandavel's success in the Scarborough Southwest by-election on November 30, 2024. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all parents, students, and community members who steadfastly supported his campaign throughout the past several months.

Our appreciation, also, goes out to the parents who accompanied Mrs. Sharma and the Grade 8 students on the TTC trip to the Ontario Science Centre on November 29, 2023. Additionally, we express our thanks to the parents who joined Ms. Touka, Mr. Hau, and the Grade 1 & 2 students on the school bus excursion to Harbourfront.

Looking ahead, we have some exciting events scheduled for the month of December:

December 6, 2023: Year End Concert Rehearsal (JK, Grades 1, 3, 5 & 7)

December 8, 2023: Yearend Concert (JK, Grades 1, 3, 5 & 7) from 6:00 PM – 8:00 pm. Please note that it is a half-day only for JK, Grades 1, 3, 5 & 7. Kindly pick up your children by 12 noon and bring them back in the evening.

December 13, 2023: Year End Concert Rehearsal (SK, Grades 2, 4, 6 & 8). It is a half-day only for SK, Grades 2, 4, 6 & 8, so please pick up your children by 12 noon and bring them back in the evening.

December 15, 2023: Yearend Concert (SK, Grades 2, 4, 6 & 8) from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

December 22, 2023: Last day of classes

December 25 – January 5, 2024: Winter Vacation

As we approach the weekend, we wish everyone a safe and enjoyable time.

Sincerely,
Revathi Chennabathni Ph. D

Building Bonds, Boosting Confidence:

The Reading Buddy Connection

The Reading Buddies activity involves older students helping younger students to read. In our school, eighth-grade students act as reading buddies in the JK class. Each eighth-grade student gets paired with one or two JK students, and together, they choose a few books to read. This experience is engaging, intuitive, and enjoyable, allowing students to form bonds. It is advantageous for students in both grades.



This program may also benefit eighth-grade students. Struggling readers and shy students in eighth grade who might not feel comfortable reading aloud with their peers of the same age have the opportunity to enhance their reading confidence in a less intimidating environment. During the designated time, students self-regulate to model positive character traits and set an example of responsible behavior. Instead of focusing on any negative behavior, the program naturally rewards them for good behavior by providing someone to look up to. Working with their JK reading buddies teaches them leadership, patience, and problem-solving strategies.

When JK students witness more experienced readers modeling fluent reading, they grow as readers themselves. They observe their buddies exhibiting positive behavior and essential social skills. They watch their buddies following the rules and staying focused on the task at hand. They also benefit from their buddies exhibiting excellent character traits, such as kindness and patience. This is akin to having a personal tutor guiding them through reading, offering immediate feedback and strategies that benefit emerging readers.





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2023 - Year End Concerts

December 8 - YEC Concert (JK, 1, 3, 5, 7)

December 15 - YEC Concert (SK, 2, 4, 6, 8)

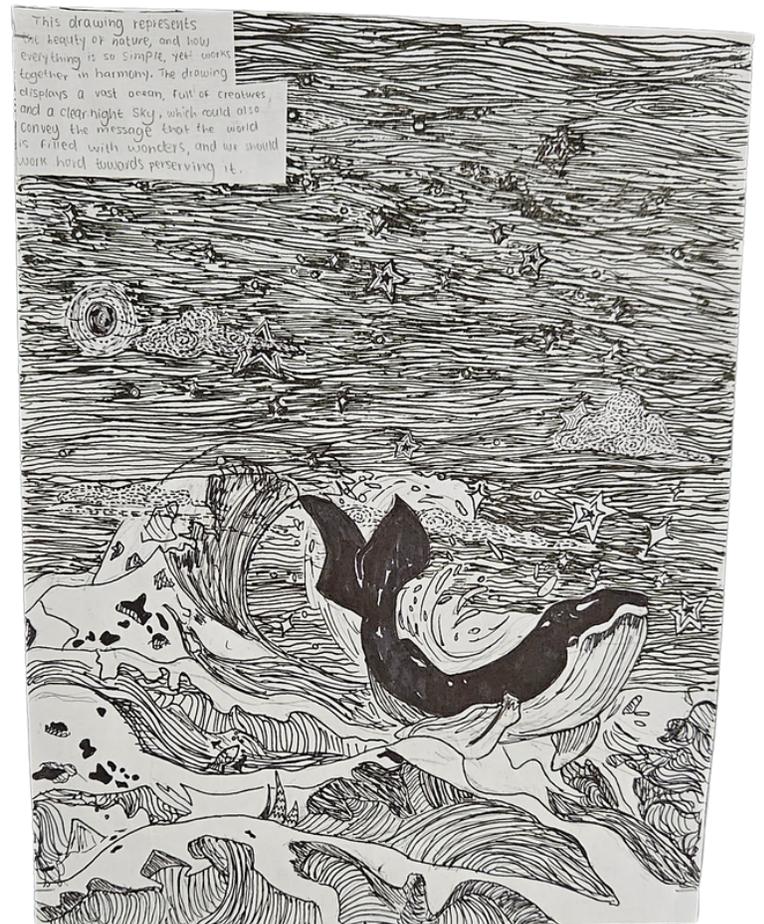
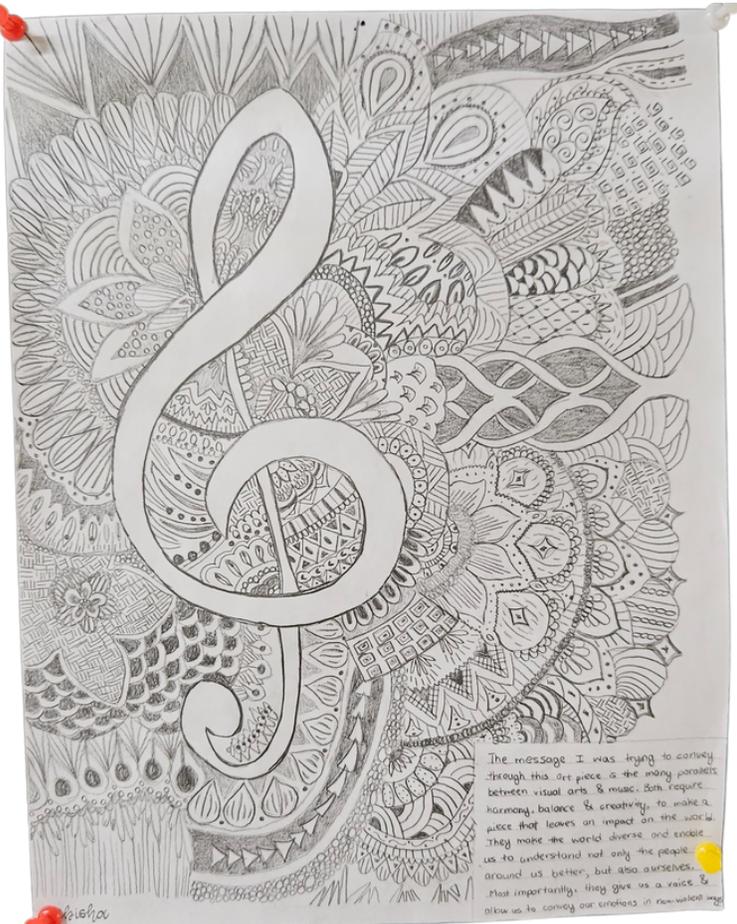
All concerts begin at 6 PM.

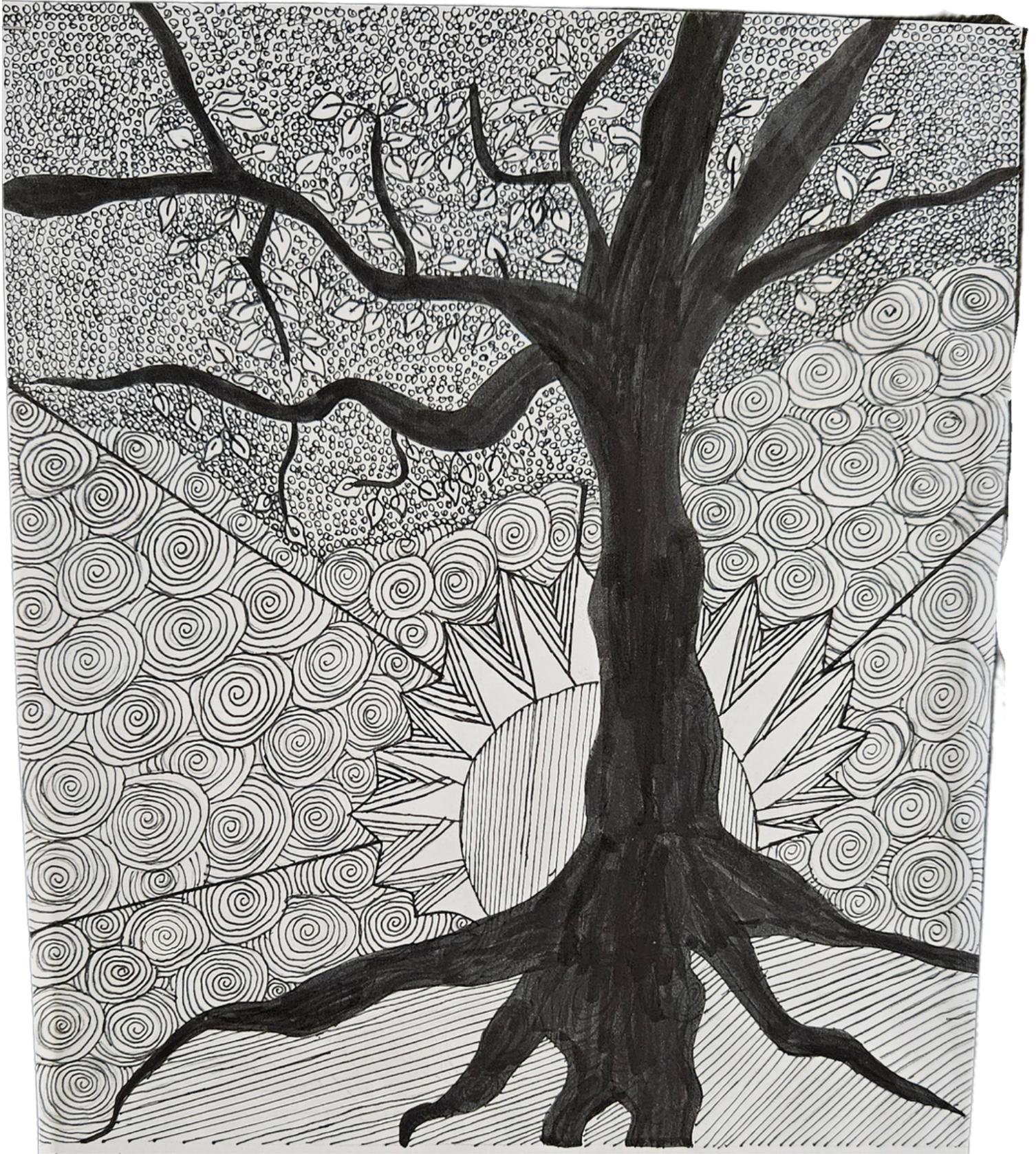
A Little Behind the Scenes



The YEC is more than just the performance. There is lots going on behind the scene to get ready including picking costumes, cleaning up and moving things, arranging all the beautiful backdrops and of course practice, practice, practice.

Grade 8 - Doodle Art





This doodle art represents peacefulness. When you rest under a tree, you get peacefulness, and all of your stress/tension goes away. Many people go outside to meditate. Nature and its greenery helps you increase your focus and clam yourself from any negative energy that come to you. It also represents love. When you show love to the Earth, it will grow to be strong and healthy. However, if we ignore it and show no gratefulness, it won't grow as strong and as healthy.