A Conquest of the Everest or the Self?

An enthralling talk with those who stood at the top of the world.
Dear Readers

Last December just after the October issue of The Trumpet was distributed, I was scandalized to find a copy of it in the dustbin!

Lost for words! My temperature soared rocket high!

How dare? How could anybody commit such blasphemy?

Over the next few days, as my temper simmered and I started thinking coolly I realized that we probably need to revamp our act.

But how can we move ahead if we don’t get an honest feedback from you guys?

The Trumpet is an expression of each Gensesian and it becomes imperative for all us to come forward with plethora of ideas!

We can do away with comments like “I don’t like The Trumpet” or “It’s nonsense”. Why not pick up a pen and write down why you don’t like The Trumpet or maybe create a beautiful picture with your words? I’ll simply wind up with Gandhiji’s famous quote:

Reena Verma

Monthly Dosage of Creativity

So yes! This issue of The Trumpet, the first of 2014, was our monthly dosage of creativity for the Genesians who are currently engrossed in their exams! But trust me, when you’re mentally drained from toll the exams take on your lives, The Trumpet can be an enjoyable and refreshing read! Agreed we aren’t perfect in what we do, but it’s a two way process! A good magazine needs a good audience.

We just have one request. The Question of the Month, Nishka Malik’s brainchild, seems to be receiving limited responses both from students and staff! We request you to please read the questions, and respond with your views so that they can be shared on our platform. If you wish to do so anonymously, that should not be a problem!

Oh, and once this issue comes out, know that it will be a very good morning indeed! For we promised AD that no morning would be good until and unless the January 2014 Trumpet issue was out!

Aritro Bose
The Trumpet Family
A Conquest of the Everest or the Self?

(Recently, a team of six young climbers from Lawrence School, Sanawar visited our school. This team climbed the highest peak of the world, Mount Everest in June last year and became the first ever school team as well as the youngest team to climb Mt. Everest. One of its members, Raghav Joneja also holds the record of being the youngest Indian to climb Everest at 15 years and 7 months. Here’s an interview conducted exclusively by the Trumpet. (PIN: Poorvi; Ila; Neeyati. SPARGF: Shubham; Prithvie; Ajay; Raghav; Guribadat; Fateh.)

PIN: How did you manage to convince your parents for this expedition?

SPARGF: Well actually we all went through a process of selection. We attended a training camp in which we were given the basic training of mountain climbing. On the basis of our fitness levels a few of us were chosen for an advanced level training. During the advanced level training camp, six of us were chosen for this expedition based on our ability and fitness levels. And then came the part of convincing our parents for the expedition. Our fathers were extremely supportive and proud of our decision so much so that three of them even went with us to the Base Camp. But our mothers were hesitant. After a lot of pleading, our leader convinced them and they relented.

PIN: Before climbing Everest, you had to undergo eight months of training in different parts of India, tell us about the training experience.

SPARGF: The training sessions not only prepared us for climbing the mountain but also enhanced our fitness level. Once the school training was over, we attended three more training camps at Darjeeling, Sikkim and Ladakh respectively. We must tell you that in Ladakh the temperatures were so low that we weren’t able to move for 9 days. We also undertook a cycling expedition in the Thar Desert, where we pedaled for more than 1000 kilometres. Through our entire training, we not only became more physically fit but also we were mentally trained to undergo a difficult expedition like this one.

PIN: Well isn’t that the reason why they say ‘the tree of hard work always bears a fruit’. Moving on, we’ve read about the conditions of Mount Everest, not only the weather conditions but also the unhygienic conditions including the litter on the mountain and the corpses. Describe your encounter with the mountain.

SPARGF: While climbing the mountain, all we could think about was reaching the summit successfully and more importantly reaching it safely. In such harsh conditions all we could think about was survival. Hygiene and other things came to our minds much later.

Talking about littering the mountain, mountaineers are strictly restricted to litter the mountain. They must carry their litter along with them. Apart from that, there is a cleanliness drive conducted by the Government of Nepal every alternate year. Since it is extremely difficult to carry the corpses down the mountain, they are moved away from the main
climbers do not panic.

**PIN:** Sir (Col. Neeraj Rana), what was it that you saw in them which made you choose and train them for such a difficult task.

**Colonel Rana:** You see, the students went through many selection processes before they were finally selected. They went through so many different training camps and must I say, it wasn’t easy for them or for us. These students who went with me are exceptional students who had the audacity, the stamina, and other various skills that are important for an expedition like this one.

**PIN:** Did fear ever get to you? Did you ever feel that you will not be able to continue?

**Shubham:** Well, I did experience that. During the climb we had to cross these crevasses which were wide and as deep as 30 to 50 metres and had to be crossed by ladders. There are thin ladders attached between these deep gaps. Even before climbing this ladder, I was extremely scared. When I reached half way across the ladder, I lost my balance and there was a very big possibility of me falling down the crevasse and breaking all my bones. That’s when I thought, this is it. I’m gone. But then my leader shouted at me and persuaded me to regain my balance and continue to cross the ladder.

**Guribadat:** Being a Sikh, I have long hair which could not be tied in a turban due to the headgear that I had to wear. So I had to leave my hair open. During the climb and back my hair froze, due to which the nerves near my ear and neck also started freezing. Reaching the Base Camp, the doctors told me that I must cut my hair. I could not allow them to cut my hair and hence refused.

**Fateh:** For me the scariest part was climbing the glacier. Since glaciers are large masses of ice they are very slippery and even a slightest extra force can result in cracks which can then break the whole glacier. Mercifully, all of were able to climb the glacier without any mishap.

**PIN:** Youngsters today are more inclined towards things which they gain easily. They do not wish to work hard for something. How did you ready yourself to do such a difficult expedition?

**SPARGF:** Most of us first joined the camp, because we wanted to become fit. Gradually, as we moved up the levels and trained further we were persuaded to do something like this as we knew that this decision would not just be thrilling but would also be a life changing experience. And of course, we had our parents, teachers and coaches who motivated us and supported us.

**SPARGF (Raghav Joneja):** Well, it was overwhelming! It was incredible and amazing. And for me it also meant a very special thing. Initially I was never a part of the 7 people climbing Everest. Later, I was taken in because one of them had fallen really ill. I now wish to climb more peaks, all around the world!

**PIN:** Thank you so much. We wish you all the best for your future!
Welcome to the English Premier League everyone. I can say without doubt, that this has been the most thrilling season ever up until now. No one has absolutely any idea as to who will win the silverware. With the 3 out of the top 5 teams getting a managerial makeover, the season was bound to be tremendous, but the excitement would rise to this level, no one had anticipated. It will be interesting to see how the season progresses from here. Let’s have a look at some of the contenders for the title this year and what they need to do in order to improve or hold their current form.

**ARSENAL:** They have had one of the best seasons in a long time so far. Not only are they solid contenders for the title, they have linked up fluently in play and have looked strong in almost every aspect. One thing they do need now is attacking strength and flare. They can get that from the boots of the wildly talented Lukas Podolski. If Podolski can maintain his fitness, he may as well replace the currently injured Giroud and make a place in the German national team so close to the 2014 World Cup. They also need to do something about the Walcott injury situation. Can the youngster Serge Gnabry fill Theo’s shoes as an attacking winger?

**CHELSEA:** Their squad has been strong throughout the season with players like Oscar and Hazard shining and players like William and Schurle finally starting to settle. However, they have looked rather weak in attacking options as Eto’o and Ba have not caught their form as yet. Mourinho’s only option is Torres, and he hasn’t been playing him enough. Torres was a prolific goal scorer and given the correct chance, he can become just that. Another problem with Chelsea has been, as always, their consistency. If they can consistently put up winning performances, they can a very good shot at the title because they do not, in any area, lack skill. The departure of Juan Mata, however, may have adverse effects on the team’s morale.

**MANCHESTER CITY:** They have looked one of the most complete teams in recent weeks, attack and defence. They need to improve their away form as they leak too many goals for their liking and then put themselves in a situation where they have to work very hard for the win. Joe Hart’s form may be a cause of concern but infinitely deep-pocketed owners can very easily change that in the January transfer window.
The Wonder Season

MANCHESTER UNITED: Honestly, they aren’t title contenders by a long shot. I am just putting them here because they are defending champions and a lot of people in India supposedly ‘support’ ‘ManU.’ These are testing times no doubt for United, and I will be surprised if they can overcome this torrent of bad form. They have been solely dependent on Wayne Rooney this season to do almost everything, and that has been the problem. No one has taken initiative and worked hard enough to support Rooney and David Moyes. Moyes can strategize all he wants, but if the players do not give their 100%, nothing will ever happen for United.

A lot of people have said they need a winger and a creative midfielder, which is absolutely right. However, I feel, what they need first is a spark of confidence from somewhere, that belief that they can get into the top four. The important thing for United fans is to support David Moyes and the team no matter what. I know fans are not used to this from Manchester United, but they did it in 2007 without van Nistelrooy, they did it in 2011 without Ronaldo and they can do it even now. The arrival of Juan Mata may just be the surge they need.

LIVERPOOL: They are in a very precarious situation right now. One major injury to Luis Suarez and their title run is over. Gerrard and Sturridge have been out for a long time now and without Suarez as well, Liverpool have looked hapless and lost. What they need now is a playmaker that can supply proper passes to the likes of Suarez and Sturridge.

Somehow, I feel Coutinho has not been able to fulfill that role and they need someone better if they are serious about winning the title. Have no doubt, with Suarez’s form and the addition of a playmaker, they are top contenders.

Vatsalya Saini
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Putting My Foot in My Mouth

In a family like my own, where everyone is super busy all day long - though I can't say much for my lazy self - family evening TV time is a pretty big deal. A big enough deal that if I miss one such evening, it's held against me for the next two days with taunts from my elder brother and sister, all inclusive of them discussing something "super fun" that they did without me – if you consider watching teleshopping or 'Sivaji The Boss' for the 160th time "super fun", which I most certainly do.

Now, imagine sitting and watching an old Hindi movie with your folks, where like all old-time heroines, this one is chubby and possibly not very attractive. Your sister, of course, has to point out how fat actresses in old Hindi movies used to be, and then a few minutes later you hear your mom complain about how she's been gorging on food and seems to have become "SOOOO FAT". Now, a normal person might take back from this conversation and keep their mouth shut, but "you", with a great need to fix the situation and such, try to think of something nice to say to your mom to lift her spirits.

"Mama, honestly, if you were an actress at the time that this movie was made, I think you'd totally be the bomb!" were the words that left my mouth before I realized why my siblings were shaking their heads at me and my mom looked extremely offended. And that's how I put my own foot in my mouth! Not that I could put anyone else's foot in my mouth, but you get the gist.

I think saying the right thing all the time is difficult! And a lot of times compliments or other things are interpreted in the wrong way, as I've seen so many times. Honestly, I think "Aunty ji, you're such a great dancer: It's like you're related to Daler Mehndi!" is a fantastic compliment! I would be over the moon if someone told me that I dance as well as Daler Mehndi does, really, but maybe that's just me and not the lady who seemed to be horrified at what I had said!

Anyway, my whole point is that sometimes, we all say things that may be ridiculous and offensive and derogatory and.....okay, yeah, "offensive" and "derogatory" are never good things, so let's just stick to "ridiculous". So, we may sometimes say things that are ridiculous, but it's never the end of the world! And things can always be fixed. Although another moral that one might derive from the story I told would probably be "Keep your mouth shut at all times if you're anything like Anoushka Anand." So I guess that's another option!

Even if you sometimes say the wrong thing or make a complete fool of yourself, it's never a big deal. Things can always be fixed. Things don't go as planned, sometimes, but you should never let it bring you down! As someone with the magnanimous power to state the extremely obvious once said: Tomorrow is another day! So keep that in mind and remember, ‘Life is beautiful.’

Anoushka Anand
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Is Change a Good Thing?

(The following essay won an award at the Royal Commonwealth Essay Writing Competition.)

Mum says change is the only thing that is constant. I asked her what did that mean and she said that change is something that keeps on happening continuously and lovingly. She added that as a tiny baby I was dependent upon her for every little thing and today I am a nine years old camper who stays away from home with teachers and friends in tents in the middle of a forest. I felt proud and grown-up. Certainly it was a drastic change from being a tiny baby to a self-managing big boy.

Then I looked around and found that my mum too was getting older, and I didn’t like that. It let me ponder: Is change really good? Seeing me sitting philosophically, Mum asked me what the matter was, and I asked her did she really believe if change was always for good? She smiled and said she believed so and believed in an adage “Everything happens for own good.” Hmmm…I thought.

I thought about the pre-historic man, who had to change or he would have died. It must have been a fantastic journey for him transforming himself from one living in jungles with no food, cloth or shelter to present times. One day a big change happened in his life and it changed everything for all times to come. He accidently rubbed two stones and spark came out. Voila! Fire was discovered and life was never the same again! Soon he learned to keep himself protected from wild animals and learned to eat cooked food. Basic needs of food and security were fulfilled. After this discovery, primitive man made the mother of all invention: he invented wheel. This single invention changed every task for him. Life had become easier for him. I began to smile and thought yes change is a wonderful thing.

My thoughts were interrupted by thoughts about my friend Dinosaurs. It made me wonder whether change was good for them. With change in climatic conditions, they perished forever. I thought and thought and then came to the conclusion that change is a good thing if you can adapt to it. Anyone can survive change if one adapts to it. Dinosaurs couldn’t and they perished. I learned an important lesson of life: One must adapt to situations and circumstances if one wants to survive and prosper.

Today man is using ever evolving technology to understand and help endangered animals. For example, tracking devices help scientists to understand animals and to treat a sick animal. This way we can change lives of humans and animals too.

Suddenly my dad’s mobile phone rang and I realized that telephones have also changed from Bell’s telephone days to this mobile phone. I remembered that even mobile phones have undergone a change. When I was about two years old my parents used to carry big black and white mobile phones. As I turned five, they had this light weight colourful device with buttons and today they have touch screen.
I remember few years back, to buy books we needed to go to the market and buy the copy. Today I order it on internet and it is home delivered or even better. I download eBooks from various e-stores. This change has made life so convenient. Today my family buys grocery, clothes, books, toys almost everything online. My mum is even taking some courses online, whereby, while sitting in India she attends classes of professors from Harvard and Yale in the US.

Truly change is great, constant and forces us to evolve. Now I understand what mother means when she says that change is the only thing that is constant. We must adapt to survive change.

Medhansh
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A Terrorist

Charred by the cries of his loved ones,
Condemned as delusional!
For his freedom of speech is seditious
And his demand for rights is that of treason!

But what turned him into a diabolic monster?
Was it his insane craving of power?
Or just his innocent desire to protect his people?

Was he a saint? Was he a sinner?
Was he misled?
Maybe yes! Maybe no!

Maybe his duty summoned him for his service;
A duty brutally ignored by the elected members of the council.
Was he a terrorist or was he a liberator?
Were his ideas evil?
Or were they misinterpreted?
By those who promised peace,
By those who promised equality and justice!

Whatever it was, it’s over now.
Because there hovers a soul,
Beckoned by the Heavens.
Staring at his blood,
While it flows out of his body.

Perception can be dangerous.
It should be handled with care,
As it can tag a revolutionary
As no more than a sinner.

Aviral Kapoor
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गणतंत्र दिवस

“सदियों की ठंडी राख सुगबुगा उठी,
मिट्टी सोने का ताज़ पहन इठालाती है।
दो राह, समय के रथ का घर्घर नाद सुनो,
सिहासन खाली करो कि जनता आती है।”

गणतंत्र दिवस का अर्थ- हम 26 जनवरी को गणतंत्र दिवस कहते हैं। इस दिन हमारा देश सही अर्थ स्वतंत्र हुआ था। 15 अगस्त 1947 को अंग्रेज भारत छोड़कर चले गए, परंतु भारत का अपना संविधान और अपना शासन- तंत्र अभी भी तैयार नहीं हुआ था। 26 जनवरी 1950 को भारत का संविधान बनकर लागू हुआ। इसलिए इस दिन का विशेष महत्व है। भारत ने अपने देश में राजतंत्र की बजाय ‘गणतंत्र’ को लागू किया।

गणतंत्र दिवस का राष्ट्रीय पर्व भारत में बड़ी धूम-धाम से मनाया जाता है। विदेशों में रहने वाले भारतीय भी इसे हर्षोल्लास के साथ मनाते हैं। यह दिन बलिदानों की पावन स्मृति लेकर हमारे सामने उपस्थित होता है। 26 जनवरी की पूर्व- संध्या को राष्ट्रपति राष्ट्र के नाम अपना संदेश प्रसारित करते हैं। 26 जनवरी की प्रातः दिल्ली के विजय-चौक से समारोह का आरंभ होता है। सबसे पहले राष्ट्रपति समारोह- स्थल पर ध्वजारोहण करते हैं। उन्हें 21 तोपों की सलामी देकर यह विश्वास दिलाया जाता है कि भारत की तीनों सेनाएँ अपने कर्तव्य को निभाने के लिए सदैव तैयार हैं। राष्ट्रपति जल, थल और वायु तीनों सेनाओं का अभिवादन स्वीकार करते हैं। भारतीय सैनिक शानदार सैन्य -प्रदर्शन करके भारतवासियों का मन मोह लेते हैं। भरपूर अख- शख और आकर्षक वेशभूषा से सजे सैनिक जब पूरे अनुशासन में घरेलू करते हैं, तो देशवासियों का सीना गर्ब से फूल जाता है।
गणतंत्र दिवस

बेंड की मनमोहक ग़ूँज के बीच संपन्न होने वाला यह कार्यक्रम दर्शकों के लिए यादगार बन जाता है।

इस दिन को उत्साह से मनाना हर नागरिक का राष्ट्रीय कर्तव्य है।

हम उन वीरों के बच्चे हैं, जो धुन के पक्के -सच्चे थे।

हम उनका मान बढ़ाएँगे, हम जग में नाम कमाएँगे,
रोको मत , आगे बढ़ने दो, आजादी के दीवाने हैं,
हम मानुषीयता की सेवा में अपना सर्वस्व लगाएँगे।

पार्थ रस्तोगी
कक्षा- 8 स

यदि, आँखें गीले हो जाएँ तो समझना-
दिन में कोई तुषा -सी उठ रही है।
धुआं उठे, न उठे
यदि तपिश बढ़ जाए तो समझना -
आँख धकक रही है।
साथ ले , न साथ ले
यदि सूलापन छा जाए तो समझना -
घडी इम्तहान की आ रही है।
जीत मिले, न मिले
यदि, मन का बल दूर जाए तो समझना -
हार मुस्करा रही है।
झड़ी अमावस की लगे न लगे
यदि धूप कुछ नमी आ जाए तो समझना -
साँझ आएँगे।
आह निकले, न निकले

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दिन ढ़ले न,ढ़ले

बात बने, न बने
यदि, मुलाकात होती रहे
तो समझना-
नफरत की दीवार दरक रही है।

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अजय कुमार शर्मा (हिन्दी विभाग)
A Battle of Wits

Some people often mistake debating as a competition of memorization and delivery. Other people know that content plays an equally important role. But here’s the thing: you can have the most brilliant of points in your speech, but if you don’t know how to defend your argument, your opponent is going to shred you to pieces!

The tension in the build up to the Inter House Technology Week Debate was immense. Just a day before the preliminary rounds, you could find all the participants sitting around biting their nails or nervously pacing their classrooms preparing for the final showdown.

The preliminary rounds: Just A Minute and Turncoat. Two different styles of debating that would test you on your fluency, expressions, content and… Well, in a word, they would test your nerve.

The JAM and Turncoat both turned out to be incredible experiences, as each of the four houses were equal to the tasks ahead of them. However, there was only one problem: the audience. While the speakers were speaking, sniggers from the audience would drift onto the stage. People seemed disinterested. Well, only those who actually stood on the stage and spoke would know how difficult it can be and how much the audience support matters at that time!

With a margin as thin as a hair, Peace and Justice qualified for the final Cambridge style debate. The topic: Internet is a Wolf in Sheep’s Clothing. Two days to prepare your arguments for the ultimate showdown in front of the entire school to guide your house to victory.

But here’s the thing: I’ve been to a few Inter School debates, and I’ve been to a few Model United Nations. In each of these places, the competition is fierce, the arguments are well balanced and strong, and the very air feels like acid to the spectators.

This was the only place where our Inter House Debate was different. There were arguments, brilliant ones mind you! And yet, there was no hatred in the air. Nor ill will and no viciousness. It was incredible to watch how, despite trying to better each other in our arguments we kept an incredibly friendly and positive demeanour on the stage. Ah, if only all debates could be like that!

Of course, for the cordial atmosphere and the smooth show, it is Rhitik Jassar who deserves the credit. Apart from being an amazing debater, he also proved to be an authoritative and charming Chairperson.

Peace did win, although by a margin so close that for me, there was no winner. No one won, and everyone won. It wasn’t just a debate, but a battle of wits.

Aritro Bose
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Republic Day Celebrations

The 65th Republic Day was celebrated with aplomb and fanfare. Genesians paid tribute to the Constitution of the country with inspiring speeches, dance performances and patriotic songs.
Poor Pluto

Once upon a time, a Solar System Halloween party was held. The sun came as a fire-breathing demon, Earth dressed up as a dinosaur, and Mars had donned battle armour, apparently the ‘God of War.’

In one corner, however, Pluto sat alone. He hadn’t dressed up for the Halloween party, and was staring down dejectedly. A passing asteroid asked, “Hey Pluto! Why aren’t you dressed up for the party?”

Pluto looked up, tears rolling down his cheek, and said in a quiet voice, “I am. I’m pretending to be a planet.”

Breaks your heart, doesn’t it?

In 1930, a small trans-neptunium celestial body was discovered. After much deliberation and a few scandalous controversies, a suitable name for the body was decided. And thus, Pluto became a part of the universe known to man.

Not for long, though. You see, barely eighty years later in 2013, a group of obnoxious scientists who call themselves the International Astronomical Union, decided to demote Pluto from planetary status; labelling it a dwarf planet!

And don’t think that eighty years is a long time, for it’s not even half of a full Plutonian year.

The logic behind IAU’s ruling is this: there are certain objects which are not as large as planets, and yet not small enough to be categorized as an asteroid. Thus, the term dwarf planet. The IAU further supports their argument by saying that there are many objects in the Solar System which are much larger than Pluto, yet have never been specifically branded as planets.

Logically, their argument stands. However, can we really allow science to be guided by pure, malicious, and cold logic? Is there no place for human emotions, for traditions, or for pride in our achievements?

Pluto was an amazing scientific discovery for its time, and over the years the term ‘nine planets’ has become synonymous with the word ‘Solar System’. The ‘planet’ Pluto was our heritage, a culture in itself, an inseparable part of our world. And yet, in a flash, it was torn away from us, stripped off its planetary status, and made to suffer the humility of being a categorized as a dwarf!

What, then, sets us warm, loving humans apart from any other cold, calculative alien species? If today we can remove Pluto, then tomorrow we’ll remove Mercury! How can this go on without anyone objecting?

We have to raise our voices. We need Pluto back. Let’s not lose one of our closest neighbours to our own ignorant actions!

Aritro Bose

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Question of the Month

Last month, we asked: **Do you think firewalls on the Internet are justified?**

“Yes, firewall is justified on Internet as helps screen out hackers, viruses, and worms that try to reach your computer over the Internet. In a office firewalls can be configured to prevent employees from sending certain types of emails or transmitting sensitive data outside of the network. Firewalls can prevent outside computers from accessing computers inside the network. And for the people people using social networking sites need a firewall to prevent their personal data from being hacked. And it has helped many people by preventing their computers and their personal data from being hacked. In today’s generation we can’t even think of using internet without a firewall.”

**Madhav Agarwal, IX B**

“Each and every level of firewalls can be hacked and the individual’s privacy or information can be explored. As each and every firewall is to be installed, it takes money to do so and that money is almost wasted as every firewall is BREACHABLE.”

**Vinayak Trehan, IX C**

“Firewalls are an important part of the security infrastructure. A firewall is a barrier that keeps “the bad guys” out of a network or computer. A firewall follows a set of rules to filter the information entering and exiting a network, or computer, allowing or denying access to each specific request. Like the physical wall that is used to keep destructive fires from spreading from one area to the next, an electronic firewall keeps unauthorized users like hackers from spreading their destructive material onto your network or computer.

Why do you need a firewall?

The Internet is like any society. Bad things that would like to corrupt or destroy your computer are out roaming the information highway. Firewalls insure that your valuable information is protected from unauthorized users. Firewalls act as a security system, helping to prevent dangers like identity theft, and research theft, and denying hackers from corrupting or gaining access to your computer.

So if you look at it technically, Its’ a must to have firewall in any company or school or institution where there is a large network of computers to keep the system/data safe.”

**Ruchika Arora**

Faculty

This month’s question: **Is Arvind Kejriwal the right choice for Prime Minister?**
The Robotic Champions

Our students participated at the National Level Robotic Competition, ROBO GIANTS, held at Modern School, Barakhamba Road on 20th Dec 2014.

Senior Category:
Piyush Singh, Amogh Sharma, Tejas Agarwal (with Mr. Ganesh Tiwari in the pic above)

Junior Category:
Shashwat Jha, Drona Sharma, Udyat Anand

Our senior team scored the highest marks in the competition and was awarded the winner’s trophy. They also qualified for the International Round - VEX Robotics World Championship, to be held in California in April 2014.

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