

# INTRODUCTION

This class has been through a tumultuous rollercoaster ride and they have finally made it to the end. This end, however, is just a beginning in disguise; the concluding of a major chapter of their lives and the opening of the next major one. We will miss them. Because they're all lovable people and bring so many "avors with them everyday to school. They are funny, happy, hard working, proactive, compassionate, all at the same time. Known for its unique camaraderie, this class never ceases to amaze you. Together, they form a unique amalgamation of personalities which is, admittedly, a little messy but absolutely beautiful as a whole. Each class was like a stroke of the paintbrush, and now they have finally completed the painting, and it takes your breath away.

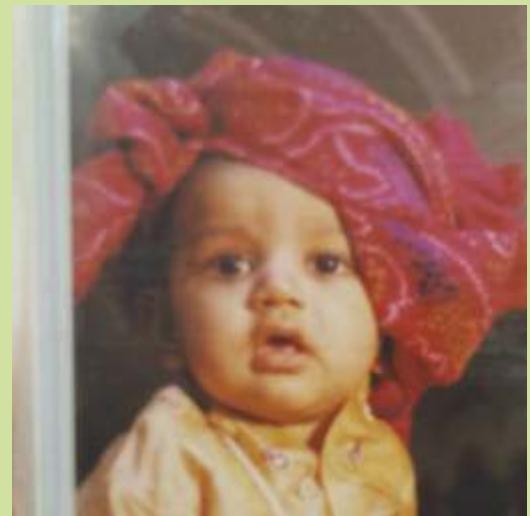
It wasn't always like this. No class passes out without facing any challenges and encountering struggle. They had their fair share of challenges. With such extreme and diverse personalities, they had problems coming together as a class, reaching to a consensus could be a real issue. We are no strangers to that problem. I believe that every class faces that problem and every class has their own unique way to solve that problem. Some spend time together after school, some do social activities together, and some, in extremely rare cases, build a tree house.

That's what these guys did. In one final attempt to bring the class together, these guys took the gargantuan task of building a tree house, which, if successful, would be a testament of their will and collaboration. They did make the tree house, and unconsciously, metaphorically, rebuilt their class. Every shred of rope tying the strong bamboo shoots together was also tying them together, in a less fragile manner. I hope that the ropes will not wither by the amount of distance between them, and I hope that they will remain as contrasting, as vivid and as close as they are now forever.

As they leave, they leave making Riverside a better place. They leave with transforming a space into something that will calm children in times of academic tension and provide them a sound place to study. They have also left a unique culture of MUNning, a tradition that will encourage juniors to think both deep and wide. What were caterpillars have now metamorphosed to vivid, colorful butterflies through all the opportunities and years that have passed by, each of them unraveling one layer of the cocoon. Every student in this class is special with each of them having their own identity, their own approach and finally, their own way to add happiness to a place always buzzing.

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# ADITYA SEKHANI

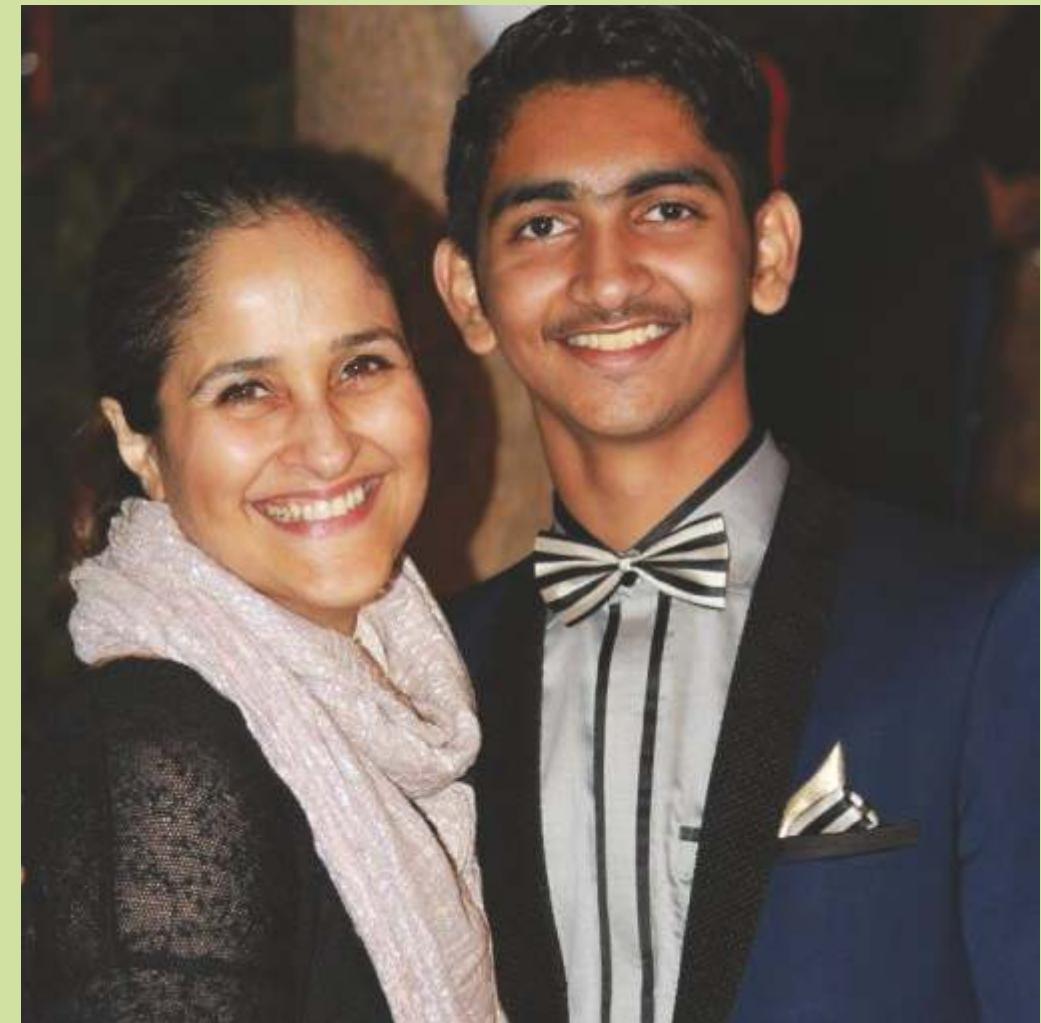


The **CREACTIVATOR** a man who possess the ability to translate his words to actions. Aditya is macho and tough on the outside, but deep down he has a soft and sensitive soul which comes out in gentle sparks from time to time. Thus making Aditya an incredible leader, someone who can initiate change. We have seen his these leadership qualities when he initiated, fought for and drove red cross forward. He believes in himself and is not afraid to voice out his opinions. Aditya is a faithful and trustworthy friend. His passion for cricket is rooted in his veins. He is truly the spark to an engine, backbone to a team and most importantly roots to a tree.



What happens in  
Bombay stays in  
Bombay.  
~Raag Sir

My Adi is a sweetheart ,  
someone who is bothered by  
everything and wants to change  
the world :)  
~Deepa Ma'am



Aditya has been a part of HEAL for 5 years and has built strong relationships with the children there. He leads by example and makes sure that everyone stays in the loop. His understanding with the children along with the immense energy that he injects into the session makes him a delight at HEAL. Along with this, Aditya makes sure that the sessions improve with time by giving constant feedbacks to the volunteers and actively participates in the congloms for planning the sessions. Moreover, he has the ability to make rm decisions when needed and will go that extra mile to make it happen.

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# AHMED SARESHWALA



Ahmed just wants to have fun in the most innocent of ways, much like a little boy, he wants to have fun. No wonder his friends are never out of entertainment.

He is charismatic, he is carefree and he is the liveliest. Known for his great sense of humour and his unusual way of looking at life. Amusingly, this 17 year old boy, doesn't know how to read time, and he is not the slightest bit embarrassed of this. He is the BOSS, He is Ahmed Sareshwala. Ahmed is a big foodie and believes that one cannot think well, sleep well or love well, if one hasn't eaten well. His obsession for shoes is at the brink of insanity. He is a person with a big heart and a mischievous smile, easy going and full of life. He is truly **AGENT THANDA SHEIKH**.

When Ahmed came to us, he was a disinterested disenchanted person two years back. I am so proud of the man he has become today. He has grown into a more reective mentor and friend.  
~Deepa Ma'am

When you look at him you notice the innocent twinkle in his eyes, and his smile which lies somewhere between cute and mischievous. It is a smile that tells you he is up to something.

~Shaina



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**ANIRUDH SAGAR**



This individual believes in advertisements without terms, and friendships without conditions. These are two things no one will be willing to be held accountable for. Yet, here we have a person who will be there for you through thick and thin and this insurance is more satisfactory than the one your agent would be pitching to you right now. This man here does not draw his hand forward in an attempt to achieve something tangible, rather he believes in keeping the things whose value one does not instantly realise. Anirudh is **SIR EMPERIALE**. His reassuring and honest smile, ability to intrigue people with his thoughts and supportive nature is what makes him an ideal comrade. Anirudh is a package of enthusiasm that comes with no preset judgements and opinions.

"I don't know how tall I am or how much I weigh. Because I don't want anybody to know my identity. I'm like a superhero. Call me Basketball Man."LeBron James  
~Shrimonti Ma'am





A genuinely caring individual. The simplicity that you possess makes you special. Your commitment towards basketball and the energy you show while playing the game is inspirational. Keep working hard.

~Shrimonti Ma'am



While I enjoyed all the fa nights, I want my controllers, my games and for god's sake give back my shirt.

~Raag Sir

Anirudh, a healer, for ve years and still continues to be one. He has been consistent with Heal and is extremely dedicated to the initiative. He is an inspiration for all his peers and spreads this energy, be it in the persistence congloms or in the session itself. The way he interacts and connects with the children is incredible, without any resistance and hesitation. His calm attitude allows him to lead well and nd solutions to every problem, be it sponsorship or materials. Anirudh has been very committed and is a true HEALER.

"To watch you work for magic on GCS kids leaves me in awe every time. The calm and empathetic person that you are helps you connect and bond with people so well."

~Jaya Ma'am

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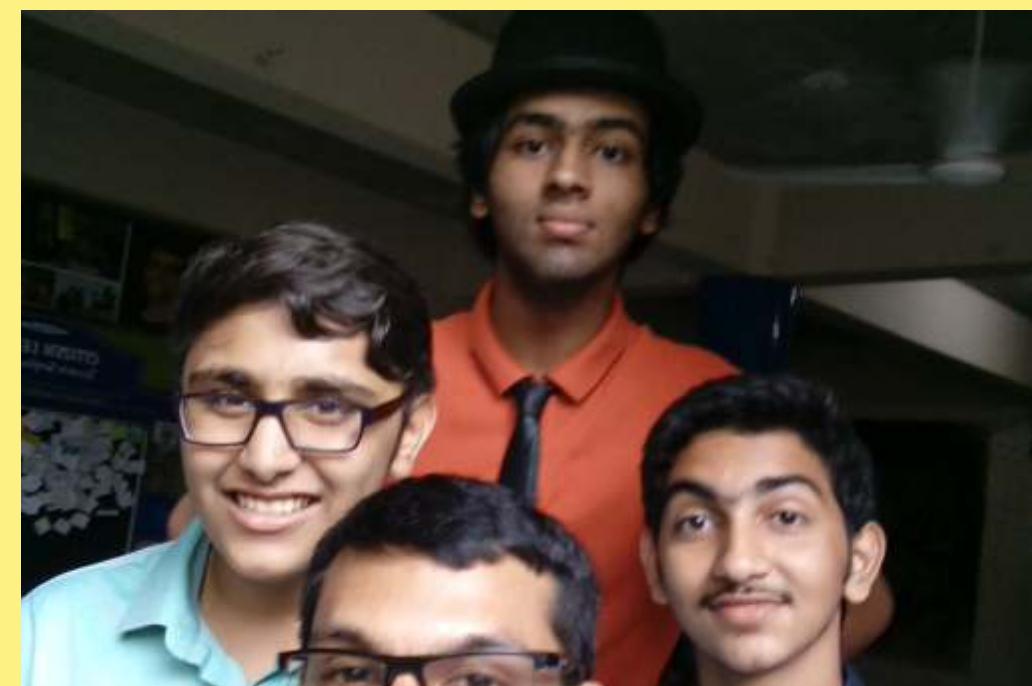
# ARI ABRAHAM

**Mr. EARNESTO** bounds into school enthusiastically, he's an old soul, considerate and compassionate, growing by leaps and bounds. Since

Riverside opened its arms to him years ago, he embraced it as his home, an honest and loyal individual, contributed to our family Riverside with his selfless attitude.

"A creative man is motivated by the desire to achieve, not by the desire to beat others",

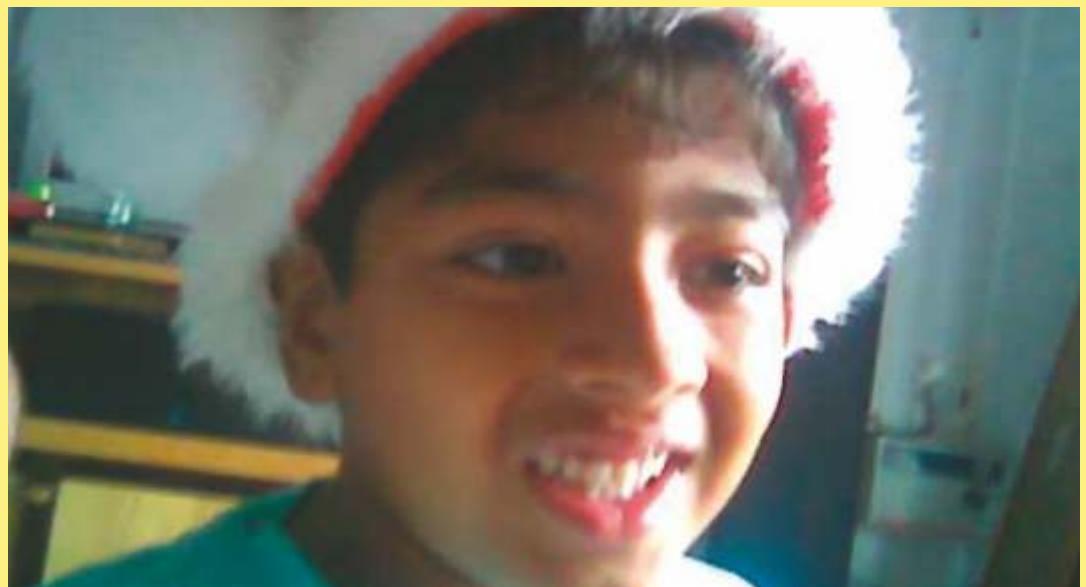
Ayn Rand perfectly encapsulates Ari's essence and it is a true reection of this unique and generous young man. A free spirit, gentle being and loving brother, Ari is one step closer to taking the world by storm.





His ability to look at everything in a different manner makes him unique  
~Deepa Ma'am

Stich gures and humour with a story line is synonymous with Ari.  
Amazingly "Reason"ably Intelligent with a tall character is my man Ari.  
~Joshua Sir



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# AARYAMAN TRIVEDI



He is more than just a person, he is a concept. Amongst us is a person who is a content and a relentless explorer who holds a great amount of respect for himself and the people around him. His fearlessness in voicing his opinion is what makes his point of view important to his peers. With this, comes the ability to influence people, in both writing and speaking. His unique sense of humour has the ability to lighten the mood in any situation. He is a versatile person who can eloquently speak the language of music as well as words. The one thing that stands out for him is his sense of assured confidence which has a calming effect on the people around him. He is **Baba AdaMUN**, Aaryaman Trivedi!



The Man On a mission, he is extremely driven. Logically sound, energetically elevating and does everything with high PRECESSION whether it be linearly to the point or gyroscopically beaten around the bush. The MUN is not too high for a man with his personality even if he is sitting in a chair.

~Joshua Sir

Just like your tribute to amrita, I will be your back up dancer/singer anytime.

~Raag Sir

"Aaryaman has been a role model to many, he joined this school in Keystage-2 and has really grown since then. He has been driving force for MUNs and debates, anything to do with articulation and voicing out opinions. He has been a great friend with great sense of humor. He has the ability to influence with his ability to write and speak, and his ideas have helped everyone. He has been a leader and a team player, contributing in all challenges and never runs out of creative ideas be it sports, business challenges or conferences, he always shines"

~ Aakash Lalchandani



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AVIT MEHTA



We often encounter individuals who silently leave the most cherished footprints in our hearts. Avit Mehta is one such student who has touched all our lives. A maverick; a free-spirit, a genius who never fails to surprise us with his versatile talents and skills.

**AWITAGEOUS** embodies passion, diligence, persistence and a sincere love for excellence. His kindness and humble personality have helped us learn from him, smile with him and become a little bit like him. Avit, for as long as you have been in Riverside, you have aspired to become the best, and you have never failed to inspire us to become better.

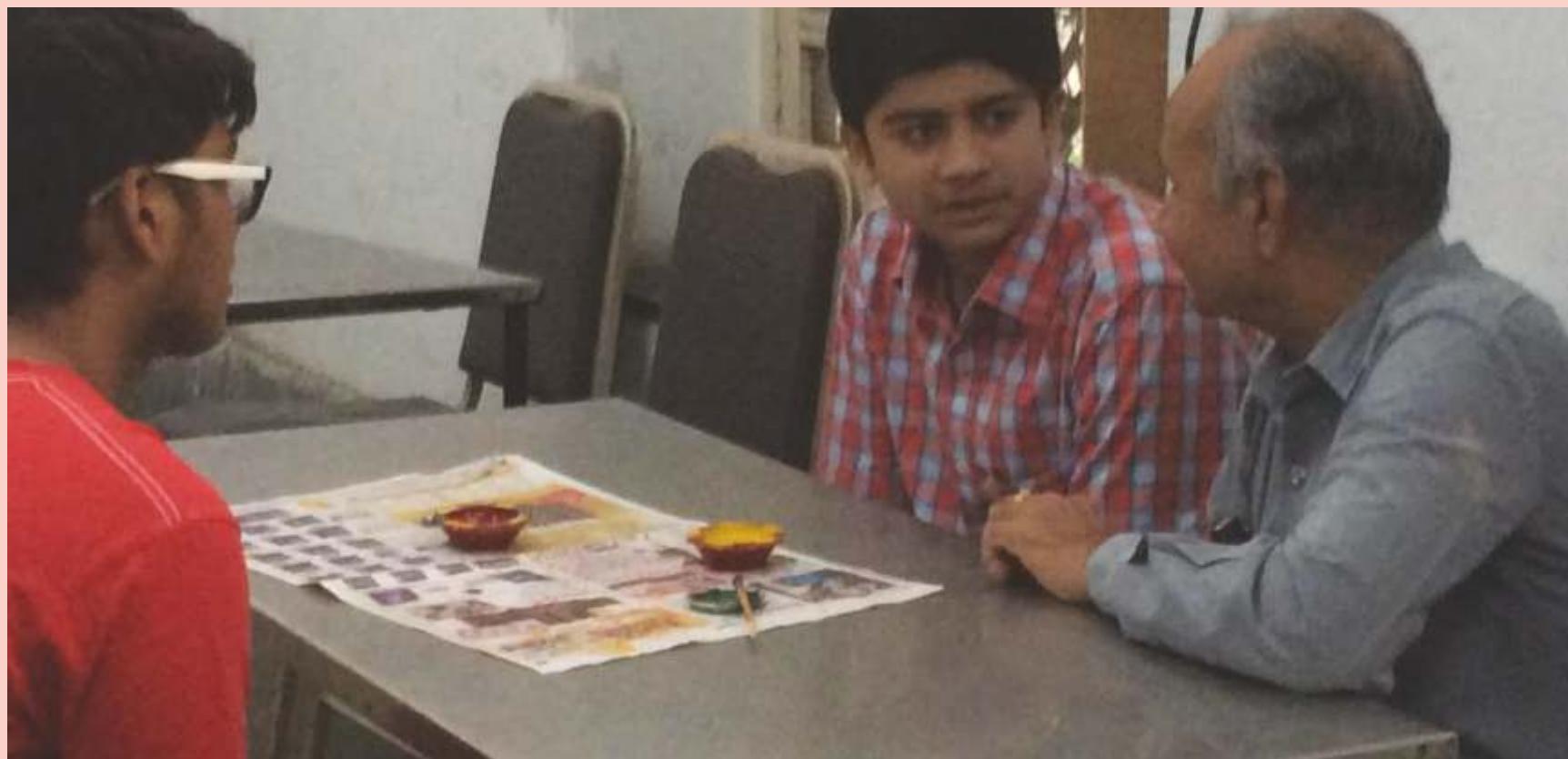


Though I never taught him but interacting with him always made me happy because of the fun and teasing. The only person who actually could mimic me is Avit.

**~Shrimonti Ma'am**

The original rock star, just make sure you play the right chord of your life.

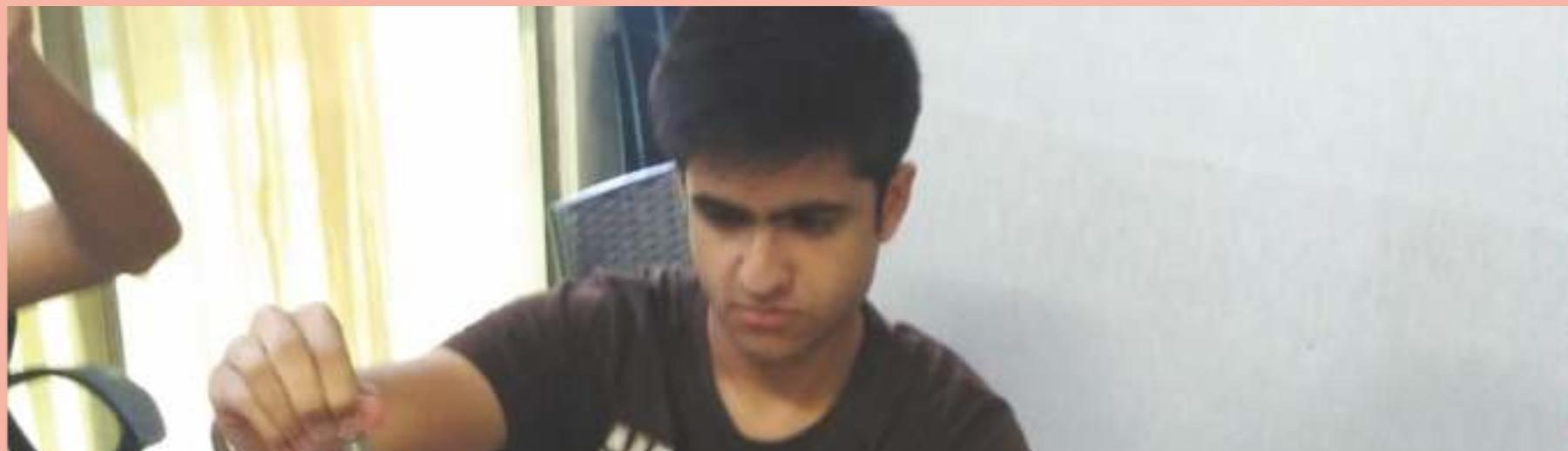
**~Raag Sir**



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## KARAN ASRANI

While his journey at Riverside may have been small, the bonds Karan has built with everyone at Riverside aren't. His friendly and entertaining personality along with his patience and sense of humor make him the kind of friend he is today. **DR LOGIQUE** has blossomed from a journey of transformation and made his way from a shy person at the start of grade 11 to a completely different person who exudes a lot of confidence. Experiences such as insane have played an immense role in shaping Karan into the person he is now and he is ready to create a dent in this world.





Pantium processor  
(Ecient but slow)  
~Joshua Sir

Karan is a  
mature man who is very concep-  
tual and logical with his thinking and also  
takes responsibility for the work he does.  
~Snehal Desai



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# KEDAR TRIPATHY



Kedar- strong and silent- he stands tall and walks into a room like he owns it. Chic and dapper- two words that perfectly describe Kedar. Kedar performs exceptionally in academics and stuns us with his athletic capabilities. **MASTER MAGNETIVE** does justice to the word- all rounder. Since he's been in our school right from the beginning, he has seen Riverside grow and Riverside has seen him grow. From a tiny little toddler to the focused and dedicated man he is now.

Kedar  
has been a person who is smart and someone  
who works with the heart all the time. Have  
faith and just work hard and have belief in  
yourself.  
~Shrimonti Ma'am



This seventeen year old has come a very very long way. He's become a more content and bold individual who always speaks his mind.

~Tiraz



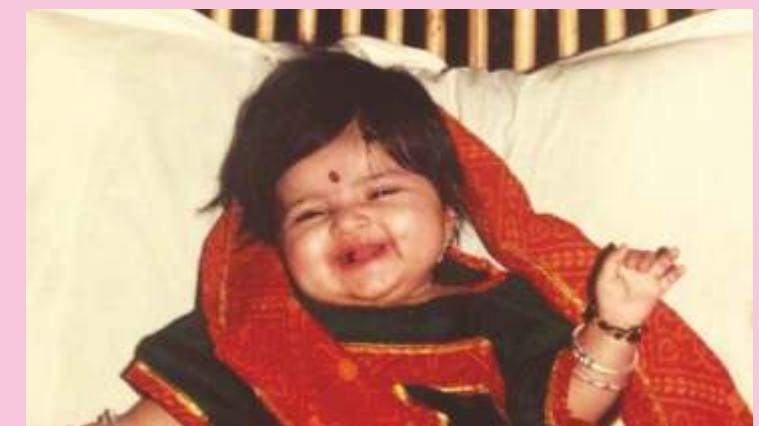
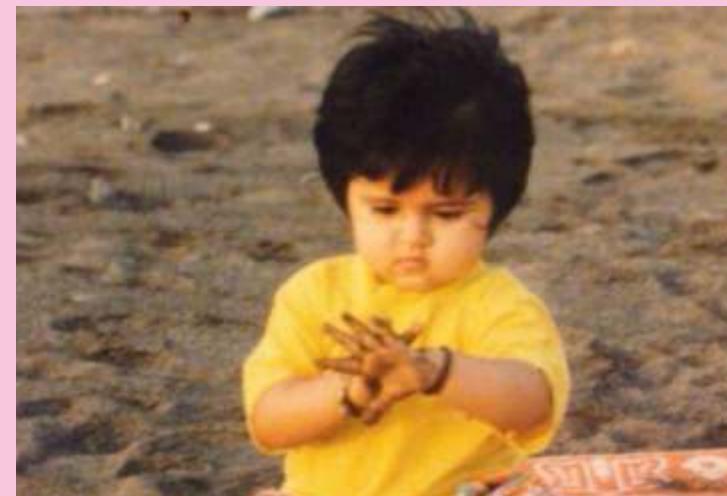
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**NIYATI RAVANI**



Over the short span of two years that we have got to spend with Niyati, we have seen her remarkable metamorphosis from a quiet caterpillar to a dauntless and eervescent buttery ready to spread her wings and soar the sky. Her friends say she is a good listener, she is also equally talkative, you will always see her sitting in a corner chit chatting in her little gang, encouraging her friends to put in their best. **ENCOURANGELIC** is extremely resourceful, when you need to get work done you go to Niyati. She goes out of her way to help others.

She's turned an opportunity into success for herself. Her silent presence is a key thing to the class.

**~Fozia Ma'am**

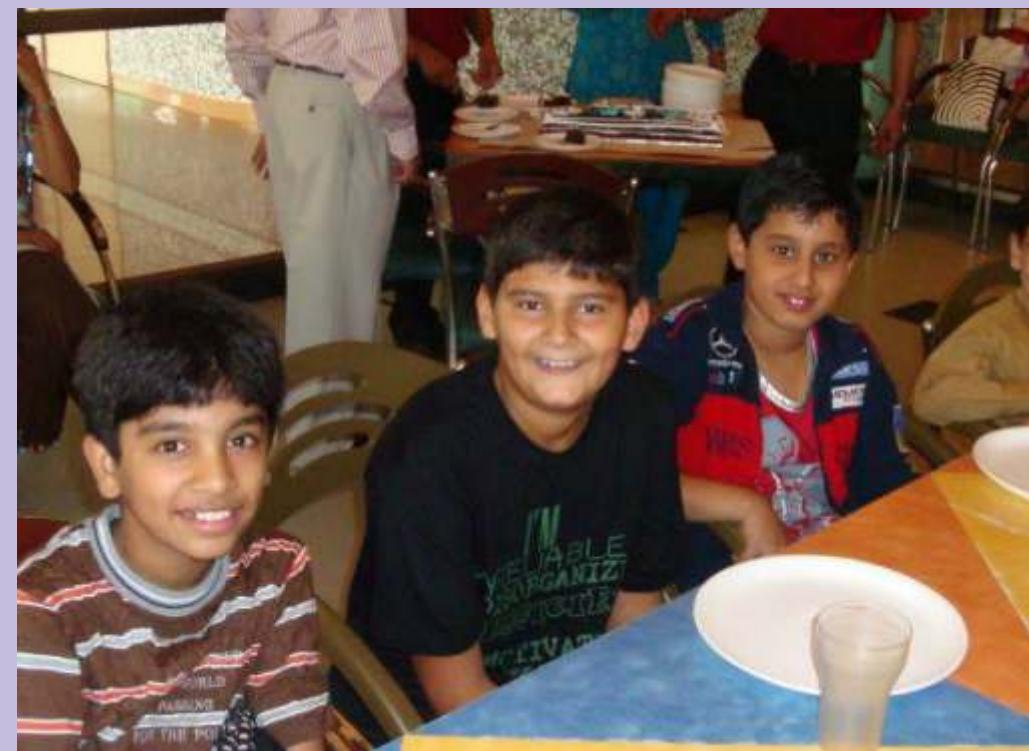


She will graduate as a confident, capable young woman.  
**~Kiran Ma'am**

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## PARV BAKSHI

Parv has been a stalwart member of this Riverside community for the last thirteen years. Over the years we have noticed immense growth within him. We all probably remember a tiny little Parv hesitating, blushing, and taking one step back when it was about coming up to the stage and presenting himself. But now when we look at him we see a tall, capable, and wise **DADA DUMSMASH** who is never at a loss of words. We have seen a complete shift in his story, be it academically or socially. We have all been in complete awe of his passionate dedication towards table tennis.





A very Jovial and calm person, who always ended up half hour late during the science day prep- as though time is of no consequence at all.

~Nitya

He is tall and smart, naughty and witty at times and this is what makes him a great man.

~Monisha Ma'am



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# PREM NIKAM

When he enters a room, you'll notice his eyes that gleam with sincerity, the fact that he carries with him a tireless spirit of positivity and a never ending demand for food. With his toothy grin, and his "too cool for you" walk, he radiates a vibe of warmth and care. You know that a genuine and true friend resides within him and will have your back no matter what. He is a man of his word. He always does what he says he will do. **DR. CARTAKER** is an encyclopedia when it comes to cars, he has immense knowledge about any car ever invented.





Persistence is refusal to quit. It is looking into the face of adversity and saying "I like my odds." It is believing in a cause and being distracted by nothing. Hence Keep persisting the way you're right now  
~Aashna

Prem- No one is ever going to believe how much you eat and how much you love food just by looking at you. You are also one of the happy go lucky people I know.

~Monisha Ma'am



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# RAHUL SAMANI

The short, curly-haired, chemistry loving guy, who makes amazing cartoons. Rahul Samani is gifted with the virtue of sleeping in any place, at any time and in

any position. He takes criticism and feedback in a constructive manner, constantly looking to work on himself. In many ways **MR. CARIACTODOOD** expresses himself through his art. Over his n<sup>al</sup> years

he grabbed every opportunity he could in order to discover himself and further hone his designing skills.

Rahul Samani is a caricature of a person who emanates joy wherever he goes.





Voice down or penning down their opinion may be a strength of some, however, Rahul's strength is in sketching his opinions and he's extremely talented at it.

**~Rahil Shah**

You maybe seventeen  
and almost an adult now but  
you are a baby at heart.

**~Monisha Ma'am**

