



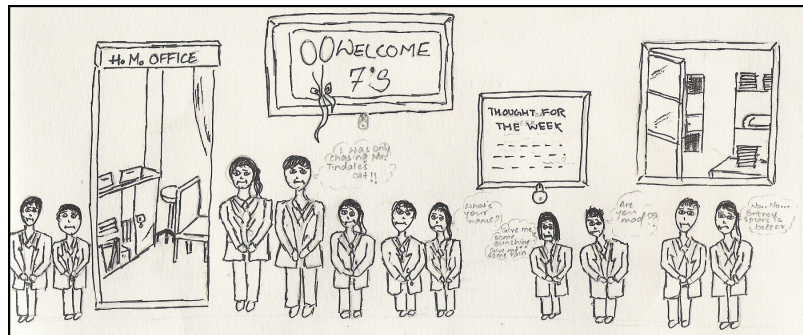
Come, let us take you all on a walk that begins from the Senior School staffroom – all the way up to Wynberg. Did you notice the beds of pansies we just walked past? Those bright calendulas bobbing their heads near the school gate make you want to linger there a little and appreciate their animation, don't they? Let's amble up that slope; we have got something more in store for you! Note the ochre, russet, auburn, burgundy, and sap green dabs that Mother Nature has splashed all over. No Italian landscape can compete with the motley coat that the hills of Mussoorie have donned this summer! Inhale the heady smell of sap that 'knits up the ravell'd sleeve of care' and is a sure cure for all maladies. We've reached Wynberg, and you simply have to look at the geraniums, poppies, strawberry plants and the irises (Mr. Cashmore's little garden). Hey, look at the resilient oaks that wave their green leaves with silvery underbellies and beckon you to stop awhile and enjoy their shade. Hmm ... Wasn't that divine?

Why the walk, you ask? Because when was the last time you took time out to appreciate these marvels of nature that will soon disappear. These glorious sights that in their own way teach us, as only few can, the essential wisdom of listening to our hearts, learning to communicate with everything strewn along life's path and above all following our dreams. That's what the masthead seems to be communicating as well – we thought that Nature would be a good analogy for reinforcing these ideas. So, dear readers, when there is a start to be made, don't step over. Start where you are!

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# The Sevens and their quirks and quibbles!!

It was a Wednesday afternoon when we asked the Class 7s to gather for a chat-session. With our perked up spirits, we were all set to create a most congenial and fun-filled atmosphere, but the sight that greeted us was one we least expected to see. These little boys, penitent and shivering, were quietly lined up outside the Headmaster's office, their hands behind their backs and heads bent low. Though quite amused, we assured them that they were not in the soup and asked them to casually gather around us. This was how our tête-à-tête began and turned out to be so delightfully endearing. They were all jostling and falling over each other to get to us. There was a point when the gushing enthusiasm actually made some of them fall!



**You must have heard many rumours about the Senior School back in Wynberg. Are they all true??**

“We thought the senior boys would really bully us, but they don't!”

“Yaaa !!” Another chimes in, “We were told that they would order us to get things from the café but they never do that!!”

**Sooo...the senior boys are really good to you?**

“YAAAAAAAAAAAAA!!!!”

**Are you telling us the truth or making up facts because you are frightened of them?**

“Noooooooooooo...we are not frightened at all!! We really like them!!”

Just then a boy remembers (The interviewers couldn't decipher the connection.), “We were also told that Senior School is haunted and that you should never visit the bathrooms in the seventh lesson!!” (?????)

**Really?? Is it actually haunted??**

“No, it isn't! We haven't seen any ghosts around.”

Another enthusiastic Lilliputian suddenly remembers, “We had heard that we would not get to play as much in Senior school but we get to play so many games!!”

An expert is a man who tells you a simple thing in a confused way in such a fashion as to make you think that the confusion is your own fault. - William Castle



## A Bookworm's Puzzle



Here are some famous personalities as well as famous authors of various best sellers... Their last names are hidden somewhere in the puzzle. Hunt for them!!

S	I	N	G	H	Y	U	N	D	A	I	S	P
B	M	D	O	Y	L	E	R	E	H	C	R	A
C	R	I	S	C	H	R	I	S	T	I	E	L
A	D	O	T	E	L	L	O	F	N	I	K	E
R	O	Y	O	H	R	U	T	E	H	F	O	X
S	P	D	U	K	Y	I	A	D	I	G	A	R
O	H	G	N	E	N	S	W	B	Y	N	E	H
N	O	N	S	R	E	E	L	A	H	I	R	I
X	E	I	D	H	S	U	R	O	B	A	R	T

1. ZADIE
2. ARTHUR
3. JHUMPA
4. JEFFREY
5. KEN
6. VICTOR
7. ANITA
8. ARUNDHATI
9. AUNG SAN SUU
10. ARVIND
11. RACHAEL
12. SARAH
13. SALMAN
14. AGATHA

Aditya Vikram Jalan  
(7 A)

### APRIL ARRIVALS BIRTHDAYS BUMPS!!

Suyash Jaiswal	10th	Aamol Lohani	7th
Jessie Jacob	2nd	Anupreet Amsos Prakash	27th
Ansul Modi	13th	Shivam Gupta	21st
Aabid Ali Haider	29th	Shobhit Prakash	16th
Ramandeep Kaur Oberoi	29th	Shivang Bhatia	20th
Prapti Irene Wylie-	1st	Shivika Garg	21st
Ashveen Kaur Malhotra	21st	Stuti Bhim Sariya	27th
Karanveer Singh Arora	26th	Meher Oberoi	8th
Pemtha Langwah	12th	Tushar Kumar Deep	20th
Priyanka Aswani	3rd	Rajyevardhan Singh	13th
		Nidhi Tushir	26th

### In our next edition...

- Get to know our dining hall better!!
- Look forward to a lovely Easter season!!
- A thorough update on the latest trends!!
- Another helping of Nishtha's " Pherbie and Loux"!!
- Your contributions!!



*That's nice! What more did you hear?*

"The senior girls used to tell us that the Senior School food is not nice."

*So do you agree?*

"NO!!" said one emphatically and this reply was followed by a chorus of NOOOOs and finally, "It is very nice especially on Sundays!"

Senior School is very different from Junior School in many ways. What is it that you like the most out here?

"We get so much pocket money out here-150 rupees!! And we can eat so much from the café!"

One very little boy, feeling all grown up, said in a solemn voice, "We really like filling the 'bank books' (pass books)." "

Just then this merry bunch decided that they wanted to talk about excursions.

*So you are looking forward to the excursions?*

"YAA!!!!!!!!!!!!!"

*Wow! Okay, let's get back to the other things you like about the Senior School?*

"We get to watch IPL and lots of TV"

One small boy excitedly puts in, "We even get to sleep late!"

While another screams from the back, "There are lots of games and P.E. lessons."

*You like having more games?*

"Ya!!" "Ya!!" "YAAAAA- more games are fun!!"

*Okay. Which is your favourite item among the ones served for dinner?*

"Burgers!" says one. "Chicken," exclaims another. "Naaaa...Maggie is the best!" declares a third gourmandizer and they all agree.

*So what all do you dislike about Senior School?*

"We don't like morning runs! We have to get up 'SO EARLY' - at 7o'clock!!!"

Another one, quite bewildered, asks, "Why do they make us shine our shoes so much out here?"

While an exasperated little boy declares, "The 'boundary' is too 'less' to play during lunch breaks."

His friend nods wistfully, "We can't play anywhere and everywhere, like we did in Junior School"

*What about studies?*

"We have to do so much of work!"

"We should not have studies on Saturday"

"We shouldn't have any evening study!"

Finally a diminutive sage decides and declares, keeping time to the vigorous nodding of heads- "There should be 'NO' study time at all!!!"



Why?????

-are there flotation devices under plane seats instead of parachutes???

-do we drive on parkways and park on driveways???

-is it that when you transport something by car, it is called shipment but when you transport something by ship it is called cargo???

**There you sat in the Hart Hall and now you sit in the gymnasium. How do feel about that?**

(Faces contorted and voices grim) "It is very 'difficult' to sit in the gym!!"

**Which subjects do you like the most?**

"Maths...Maths...MATHS!!"

**Yup, we got it! Maths is your favourite subject. Is there any other subject that you find interesting?**

"We like English, Art, Physics." (And they go on to name all the other subjects!)

**What do you miss the most about Junior School?**

"Mr. Hatwal's P.E lessons!!"

**Is that all ?**

"We miss Mrs. Cashmore," squeals one, "and Mr. Cashmore and his food." (Now we have to agree as well, Mr Cashmore's food is scrumptious).

**How does it feel being the youngest in Senior School ?**

"It feels like we have just joined Class 1!"... Now could anything sound so adorably accurate!



**If you were given a chance what all would you change in Senior School?- This was our next question and the answers...well here goes the list:**

"The infirmary is too far away, we should have elevators!!"

"Cold drinks should be served in the canteen!!"

"We should get chicken for breakfast, lunch and dinner!!"

"Fans in the dormitories and ACs in the new auditorium!!"

"We want side tables in dormitories" (?)

"Inter-house dramatics should be in senior, junior and intermediate divisions !!"

"We want to watch more movies with our seniors!!"

"We want lifts (Do they mean a cable car?) or fans (Why fans?) to go up to Wynberg!!" Now that is the ardent wish of every senior girl (cable car) that the 7s have aptly expressed.

The little girls want to wear 'Ballerinas' instead of the 'Naughty Boy' shoes!

"The school bell should be louder, we just can't hear it and the rest room should be bigger, we just can't fit in!!" – These little girls, once again, seemed to have read the minds of the senior students.

Their trailing remarks comprised an outpouring of grief at being given discipline forms, demand for French classes and Diwali holidays!!

## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BEGGAR

Hello! I would like to introduce myself as Darren Ian Thornton. I am the author of the omnibus entitled 'Different Views and Lifestyles'. I am an anthropologist by profession and never in my life had I thought that I would end up as a writer. In my book there's a certain chapter titled 'A Day in the Life of a Beggar,' which interests me a lot. This experience was truly exciting and encouraged me to write this book about the different views and lifestyles of people.

It was the early morning of May 9<sup>th</sup>, I had disguised myself as a beggar and at exactly 5 am made my way to 'Beggars' Point'. That area is known as 'Beggars' Point' because it is the commercial hub of the city and draws in beggars like flies. You can see them almost everywhere. When I arrived, I found them to be fast asleep. Apparently they were not early risers, so I found a spot for myself and followed suit.

I woke up with a jolt because of the loud and rather irritating noise of the trucks and cars. I noticed some boys (beggars) around me—they were staring at me. Then one of them spoke up and introduced the others and asked if I was new around there. I nodded. They all smiled and led me through the traffic; I was confused. Then one of them suddenly shouted, "Lal batti!", and they all ran towards the cars and were busy with their work. One of them told me to join them. Though I was inexperienced I tried my best. Later, when we got back to count our earnings, they commented on my awkwardness and obvious inexperience. They all laughed good-naturedly and decided to teach me the basics of their trade. It was an interesting lesson and I learnt quite a lot—how to gauge people, how to work on them with soulful eyes and a pitiful voice. Then we all went to their playing field—a garbage dumping ground! I relived my childhood and had the time of my life. That day I learnt an invaluable lesson—never to form opinions on the basis of what people look like on the outside. As the night settled in, I had to go my own way. So I got up and smiled at my new-found friends who were fast asleep, blessed them and walked away.



Tenzing. S.U. Lama (10B)

## Save Trees



"Save trees!!" These words have become a common call for saving trees. But do we care? We don't understand or perhaps don't want to understand the importance of our green friends. We think it is all right if trees are being cut. We'd rather add to the concrete jungle than plant a tree.

Trees and plants are very important and an essential part of our lives. They prevent the soil from eroding, they help the animals by protecting them from the outside world. They give us rain and protect us from harsh winds. Did you know that there

are thousands of trees that are not even known to us?

"Come on Vishal, we know all that! We study it all in Environmental Education," you say. Sure you do, but I bet you have never thought of asking your parents to plant a tree for you each time you celebrate your birthday or of picking up an acorn and helping out Mother Nature by tucking it into the depths of the earth.

If people become indifferent then it will be too late to save trees. I write these words because I honestly feel that it is time to wake up and do something.

Vishal Modi  
12C

# LITERATI AND GLITTERATI

The Wynberg and Allen campus is always abuzz with children interacting and discussing the latest trends, books, movies, food and music. Here is the latest on what they are wearing ,reading, watching, eating and listening to!!!!

**What's in????**  
 Clips with bows  
 Three -striped Adidas shoes  
 Funky Badges

Big, coloured frames  
 Curls  
 Strawberry lip balm

Lime green brackets  
 The colour purple  
 (the new black) !  
 Checks and tartan prints

## Books on campus!!

*A Thousand Splendid Suns*  
*The Abduction*  
*Five days in Paris*  
*The Evil seed*  
*The Winner*  
*The Frontier Front*

*One Man's Meat*  
*Avalon High*  
*The Magic Flutes*

## Movie Review!!

*My Sister's Keeper*- good  
*My Name is Khan*- good  
*Atithi kab jaoge*- Don't even think about watching it!  
*The Blind Side*- outstanding  
*Avatar*- good

## Songs most popular!!

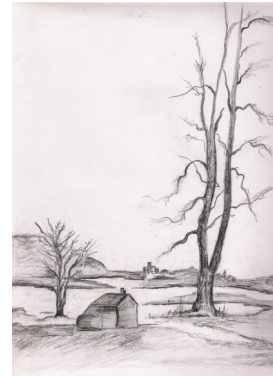
*Tik- Tok*  
*Crazier*  
*Meet Me Halfway*  
*Amplifier*  
*Just Dance*  
*Two is Better Than One*  
*Butterfly Fly Fly Away*  
*Party in the USA*  
*Russian*  
*Boys and Girls*  
*I Can Transform You*  
*Alice*

# Pure air!!

The air in Mussoorie is so pure,  
 Unlike Delhi, Chennai and Indore.  
 Buses, cars, bikes are very few,  
 Unlike cities, where fog and smoke spoil the view.  
 Mussoorie is unlike Delhi, Chennai and Indore-  
 Here the hills are cloaked in green and the eagles soar.  
 Monkeys swing and play on the trees - so green,  
 Colourful butterflies flutter-the brightest I have ever seen!  
 Lend a hand ,walk to the nearest bin,  
 Use a cycle and don't add to the din.  
 Then everything will be as before,  
 And there will be hope for Delhi,Chennai and Indore!!

Sasha Kumar(7A)

# ART ATTACK!!



Mehkash Lalwani (12 C)

The surest sign that intelligent life exists elsewhere in the universe is that it has never tried to contact us



Anmol Rajbhandari (ISC)



Gunveer S. Matharu (10B)



Joshua David (10B)



Tamanna Basu (12 C)

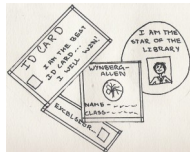
Tell a man there are 300 billion stars in the universe and he'll believe you. Tell him a bench has wet paint on it and he'll have to touch it to be sure. - Murphy's Law



Joanna Young (12 C)

# CAMPUS NEWS!

**Get your creative juices flowing!!** Here's a challenge for all our budding artists. Show your talent in designing an official ID card for your school. Your work of genius will be used in the library and many other places. It is a great opportunity to make history—avail of it!



The bathrooms in the senior girls' dormitory as well as the boys' toilets turn five -star! Colourful tiles, new shower heads and taps - a complete makeover!!

Teachers go high-tech- from classrooms to AV rooms! PowerPoint presentations are in full swing and each subject becomes ten times more interesting!!

A new desktop and an extended computer lab! So computer students, luxuries and benefits galore !

All you have to do for a complete supply of stationery is go to Ms. Edgar's window . Lo and Behold! You will be provided with all you necessities and the most heart warming smile in the world.

**A mad search!!** The ISC were seen frantically searching for calculators right before their Accounts exam - Class 12 students came to their rescue!!



**Mr. Kurian's aquarium still awaits the arrival of fish!!** We really do miss feeding them sir!!

The first quiz in the Junior Division took place on a Thursday afternoon, the 18th of March. The Class Sevens were delighted with an entirely novel quizzing experience in Senior School organized by Mr. Choudhary, our quiz master for the year. With Mr. Radcliffe as the guest quiz master, the students enthusiastically figured out every clue and question. Finally it was Foy that took the glory followed by Allen, Powell and the Condon. Ankita Ranjan (10 A)



Before you criticize someone you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you are a mile away and you have their shoes!!

## Mr. Daniel

*Where were you teaching before you joined Wynberg - Allen?*

Grace Academy, Dehradun

*In what way are the students of Wynberg - Allen different from those you taught before?*

The students out here are frank and open with their teachers whereas those in my previous school did not interact with the teachers that much.

*How would you say your experience out here has been so far?*

My experience has been very good. The staff is very congenial and helpful. The students are also extremely respectful.

*Sir, what are your other interests?*

I like listening to gospel music

*Message*

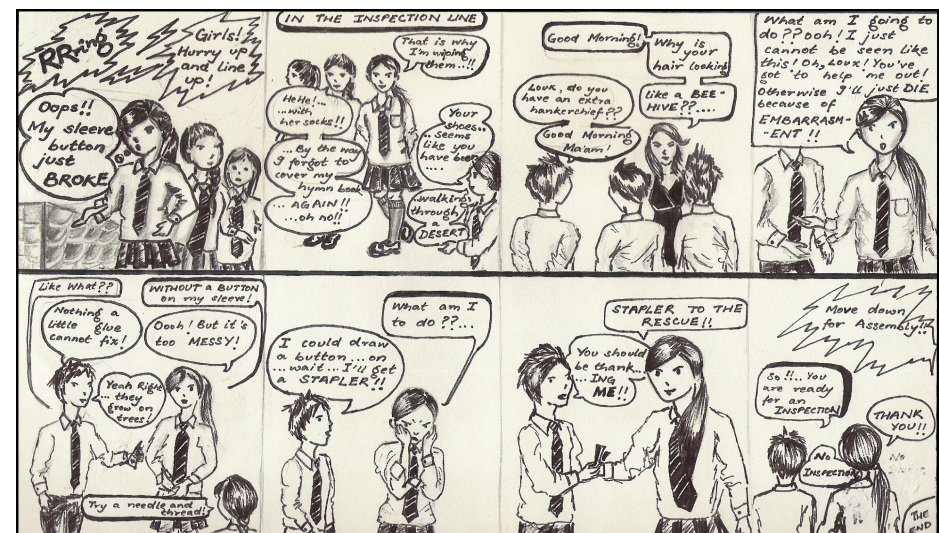
I am happy to be here and look forward to a long and fruitful association with Wynberg - Allen



## Rapid Fire!!

	Mr. Daniel	Mr. Guest	Mr. Moses
Fav cartoon character	Jerry	Scooby - doo	Chin - chan
Fav cuisine	I am a foodie!	Chinese	Indian.
Dream destination	Switzerland	Heaven	Israel
Hill stations/ beaches	hill stations	beaches	beaches
Cities or countryside	cities	Both!	cities
Cats or dogs ...	Dogs !	Dogs!	I don't like pets!
Momos or pizzas	Pizzas	Both	Neither
Biggest fear	Fear of God!	Of being alone!	My anger!

## PHERBIE'S BUTTON BLUES!!



# NEW ON CAMPUS!

## Mr. Moses

*Sir, which school were you teaching in before?*

Grace Academy

*How did you hear of Wynberg-Allen?*

I heard about WAS through a friend of mine. But yes, I also tracked down the vacancy from the school website.

*How is this school different from where you've worked before?*

Well, there isn't much of a difference. The only change is in the working hours.

*How would you say your experience has been so far?*

It's been fine- not too good, not too bad. Can't grumble

*How do you see yourself-as a strict or lenient teacher?*

I'm neither strict nor lenient. I do what I'm supposed to.

*What is your personal preference, Accounts or Commerce?*

I like Accounts since I prefer a practical approach.

*What are your other interests?*

I have a passion for driving. I also take a fancy to taking care of vehicles.

*If you were given a chance to change the present education system, what would you do?*

I don't have any problem with the current system so I would not want to make even a small change.

*What is the naughtiest thing you've done in school?*

Believe it or not, I used to play traunt from school.



## Mr. Guest

*Which school did you teach in before?*

I taught in El Gouna International School, El Gouna , Egypt.

*Where did you receive your education ?*

I studied in St James ,Calcutta

*How did you come to know of Wynberg-Allen?*

I read about Wynberg-Allen in the newspapers in Bangalore while on a tour of India.

*How is this school different from your previous school?*

This place is more traditional .In my previous school, the atmosphere was more casual , relaxed and friendly.

*In what way are the students of Wynberg-Allen different?*

Students are just the same everywhere. Out here , the students are very *traditional* and that goes very well with me as I am also a man of habit.

*What are your hobbies and interests?*

I enjoy sports -hockey and football are my favourites.

*What is the naughtiest thing you have ever done?*

I love guavas and I used to steal them from the trees on campus.

*What message would you like to share with the students?*

Never forget your values. Don't grumble when things aren't going the way you want them to. Remember that the situation could have been worse.



## BELIEVE IT OR NOT!!

### A Walk to Remember



13<sup>th</sup> March brought a beautiful day , crisp and winter-clear , with not a speck of white in the sky. We had not anticipated a hike so early in the year . Geared up for the hike, we trudged up the slopes of Mussoorie ; stopping sporadically to catch our gasping breaths and for the lazy ones at the back to catch up. The students of Classes 7 and 8 were rejuvenated within and without by cool waters of the Wynberg stream. There were few wicked incidents of students being pushed into the water. The 9s and 12s paid a visit to the Forest Department where they saw fascinating wildlife images and a stuffed partridge. The 12s had a jolly time throwing pinecones at each other. The 10s (aka "the gluttons") had a whale of a time at 'Barlowganj' , stuffing their faces with Wai-Wai and 'bun-unda'. All in all ,it was a most enjoyable experience to be outside school campus.

The resident ghost is unhappy with the 'thought of the week' - the letters keep mysteriously falling off!!



The 'Lady in Green' strikes again! This super famous entity 'apparently' residing in our dormitory is the root cause behind the boarder girls creating complete commotion in the middle of the night!!

Mrs. Cashmore can be seen very patiently consoling a zillion homesick kidz!!



The Sevens are getting tinier !!



"IAYP is no longer my club" So folks, please do understand and relieve Mr. Wilson from the trauma of chanting this every moment!!"

**Cameras invade the school! Students, look your best at all times, your every move is being watched!!**



cheese.....



Crockery goes pink, blue and lemon yellow!! -New cups, bowls and plates arrive at both Junior and Senior school.

Conclusion is a place where you got tired of thinking. – Arthur McBride Block