



# THE ORIGINALS



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**TOT: Did you ever think that you would join MIS again as a faculty member?**

**KSL:** I always had a plan to come back and teach. I had a vision to return to school and start my career from the place where I first thought of becoming a teacher.

**TOT: What change have you noticed in the MISStars since the time you joined as a teacher?**

**KSL:** On the positive side, the girls have become way smarter than they were in the past but on the contrary, the language they use has changed. We MISStars would always talk in English even in the dormitories but now I can see that they tend to talk in Hindi.

**TOT: What were your most memorable days in MIS as a student?**

**KSL:** For me, the stories I can recall is my art session, just not the ones in Sir Dutta's room but more of my art sessions in the houses and in classes because we had various displays to make. Now you girls don't have any display boards or competition in the houses but during our time we had them every month. Every weekend I would be involved with some kind of drawing or sketching, and I would not even realise how my weekends passed away. No one would come to the dorm and disturb me because they knew that I needed my own peace of mind while I was working.

**TOT: Why did you choose English as your subject and not Art?**

**KSL:** Art is freedom and English is my Love, and I chose love over freedom.

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**People find it far easier to forgive others for being wrong than being right.**

~ Dumbledore,  
Harry Potter and The Half-Blood Prince

**TOT : How did you think about joining MIS?**

**KSM :** I am from Rajasthan, and when I got an offer to work in a hilly area and in a completely different culture and environment, I wanted to take up the challenge.

**TOT: How was your journey before MIS?**

**KSM:** This is my third boarding school, I have worked for a very short period in Jaipur and then for another 25 and a half years in The Mody School. I changed my school because there can be only one boss and there were more teachers who had the same amount of work experience like mine, and I wished for an increment in the position there. I could not think of shifting schools as my kids were a part of the school, but now they are grown up and I have less responsibilities.

**TOT: How do you think MIS is different from other boarding schools?**

**KSM:** For me the curriculum which is followed here is different because I have taught CBSE and IBDP curricula only, so ISC and IGCSE is new for me.

**TOT: As you have worked with Ma'am Meeta, could we know a little about her work ethics ?**

**KSM:** She is a perfectionist, and the best at her profession. She will raise the bars of the school by first working towards its disciplinary policies. She is always ready to learn. The year she joined Mody School, the school for the first time in its history stood second in the country, with the highest score being 99.6% and a 498 out of 500. So whatever she is implementing is for the betterment of the school. She is a great leader and a great administrator who possesses all the qualities which a leader should have.

**TOT: How did you contribute to the field of Computer Science?**

**KSM:** I am the author of two books for classes 9 and 10, FIT and they are in the market since 2013. I am yet in contact with a few publishing houses for moderation in the content of the books.

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# A LETTER FROM ME TO YOU

The fact that The Originals has been a hit since day one is definitely worth a huge round of applause. Not to forget the role of Sleeping Beauty had in rewriting MIS's history. There have definitely been times when we were unable to serve you with the best but we always welcome critics to review us, rate us, convey their discrepancies to us for our team believes in the statement, "there is always a scope for improvement". Over the course of 5 months of our existence we personally have come across many people who loved the content we produce and some who were not even close to satisfied after reading all the articles that have been published till date.

We have heard people talk about how there are mistakes in many of the articles and how the layout could be better. Truth be told, if we, want to make this masterpiece better, we don't know which particular area we need to improve upon. The entire editorial team wants to know all about YOUR opinions and judgments on a personal level.

It would be appreciated if we receive your letters addressing the editors expressing your standpoints and your perceptions. We promise we will go through each and every one of them and even consider the changes mentioned in some of the note worthy ones.

# ARRESTED FOR A PROFILE PICTURE



Remember the Outlook 2010 launched by Microsoft? You will be surprised that Microsoft founder Bill Gates is staring at users every time they launch Outlook 2010. First and foremost, this version of the email client came with a feature called People Pane. People Pane was more of a contact hub that included all the information about users sending your emails, and everything was grouped in a single UI. Back in 2010, social networking sites weren't as advanced as they are today, Microsoft supported services like Facebook, allowing People Pane to automatically retrieve profile pictures should Facebook account information be available for your contacts. Outlook 2010 was able to retrieve their profile photo and use it inside the app.

Here comes the interesting part. When no social network data was available, the People Pane displayed a placeholder image that looked like a man's silhouette. Around 1977, Bill Gates was arrested for reckless driving in New Mexico and the police took his popular mug shot for their records. And this same mug shot was used as the default profile picture in Outlook 2010!

So back in 2010 every time you were looking at the default profile picture of People Pane you were actually looking at a picture of an arrested man who is none other than Bill Gates himself.

# BOODLE DOODLE



MICHELLE BAGCHI

# The Diary of a MStar

Monday, 17 February 2020

Dear Diary,

If there is one word for today, it's frantic. With Ma'am literally storming into our room at six in the morning, I dragged myself through the not - so - amazing breakfast, the honestly unnecessary house-line and the 'refreshing' morning assembly in a daze. The first lesson started with me running around the whole academic block searching for the ever absent Mr. Stationery. Time flew by while I was rushing around on my feet, studying during lessons and doing all the other 'work' I was handed. While everybody relaxed during rest time, mine was spent doing my Math homework. Running for a bath at five, especially after running laps in the green field, was a waste when the hot water was super reluctant to actually drip down the shower. After my cold shower, I found myself dashing for prep, forgetting my jacket back in the cubicles resulting in me shivering throughout the hour. The unappetising dinner was followed by the honestly- annoying MISMUN Executive Board meeting and then my load of homework decided to make me busy. Finally now I'll let sleep engulf me and let my brain worry about the leftover Physics homework tomorrow. So, good night diary.

## TRUTH NOT FABRICATED

Last Sunday was a rollercoaster in true sense for not only did the MISTars get an opportunity to clean inside and outside campus as part of the community service but were also blessed to go to a village in the nearby district to teach students English, Math and Communication Skills. It was a fun learning experience for both the parties. They got to know about BODMAS and the 5 golden words but what we got to learn from them was not that exciting. I had been appointed to enhance their communication skills because of my talkative nature. While having a very informal interaction with few of the kids, I felt heartbroken and shattered from the inside. There were stories where the mother would live away from the house, where the family lives, because of her work. There were kids who broke down while talking about their parents' disturbed relationships. There were desperate kids who badly wanted to study after the age of fourteen but their desperation was just a dream which they wish they could fulfill.

However, I was more than happy to hear that every household has a toilet which is being used by all, but sad at the fact that many women still restrict their daughters to use cloth during the menstrual cycle. We were overwhelmed to know that everyone wanted to attend school but upset to know that only a few could actually come to school. At the end I just want to request everybody, whether it be teachers or students, to come together in order to better their living conditions.

## JOURNEY THROUGH THE MYSTERIOUS GLOBE

- After #BoycottFilmfare trends online, Filmfare Awards Wikipedia page vandalised
- The Chinese envoy denies the possibility that virus was released from Wuhan Institute of Virology accidentally and not from the seafood market
- Speaking on the reception hosted by the Indian High Commission, skipper Kohli said that New Zealand always plays the game with the right spirit and if India were to share the number one spot with anyone, then it would definitely be the Kiwis.
- There was amusement as the edgy CBSE students read the ever-welcome tips they received from their board. "Pimples? Zero. Blackheads? Zero. Entry allowed after 10 am ... ZERO"

## UNDENIABLE TRUTH

I will blast you!  
 MTS, Could mean anything from, "I will put a bomb under your chair" to "I'll throw you out of the school."

GMC: Guys, you are on the same page.  
 SHC: Which book?

SCP: My birthday is coming.  
 Vishala: Oh really sweetie, has it reached the Jolly Grant Airport?

# PREVIOUSLY ON CAMPUS

~ Michelle Bagchi

Waking up at 5:30 and not sitting with our friends, instead eating with our house-mates for all the meals, the yellow, blue and orange colours flash "unity" along with academics being at the left, right and at the upper most story of the school. The week coming up had a tensed, extremely jumpy and a terror-struck look on the house captains face when the announcement for the sPECTRUM was made and the entire school could only EMPATHISE. On a lighter note, grades 6-8 are going for a mystical show... senior school is waiting for something interesting to bestow upon them apart from the unfinished movie "twelves" had arranged. MIStars were also introduced to the esteemed monarchical house lines back in the game again. Our 10 chosen post holders and 15 expected leaders left for the two day workshop while in campus, meetings with the newborn IGCSE and IB girls went off in wrath. Even though the confusion about the prep timings were so chaotic it eventually landed up ending at 7:30. There are many events for the cultural "head" to manage this calendar year, hopefully these upcoming episodes aren't disrupted by any apathetic individual. The Thursday highlight was "the short principal, short head girl and the short primary school head girl".

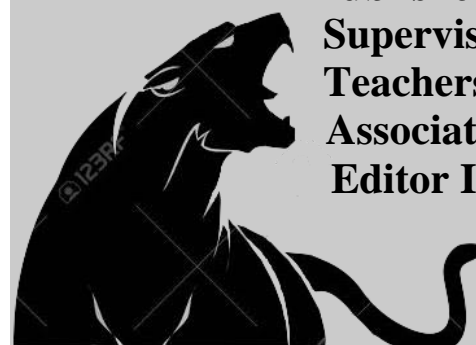
## WORDSEARCH

### NOVELS

1. This novel originally written by Vladimir Nabokov in English was later translated in Russian by the author himself.
2. This series revolves around seven children who meet in a shed with "S.S." on the door. Admission is by password only and badges must be worn.
3. This historical novel by Australian author Markus Zusak is narrated by Death and examines Nazi Germany through a child's eyes.
4. This novel tells the magical story of Santiago, an Andalusian shepherd boy who yearns to travel in search of a worldly treasure as extravagant as any ever found.
5. This first book of the series kicks off directly in the middle of a trial where the characters remember nothing except their name.
6. This book is the story about a girl who stood for education and was shot by the Taliban for the same.
7. The book talks about a murder inside the Louvre, and clues in Da Vinci paintings, which lead to the discovery of a religious mystery protected by a secret society for two thousand years, which could shake the foundations of Christianity.
8. Themes of guilt and redemption feature prominently in the novel, this is the story of two Afghani brothers who loved the kite festival.
9. Before you start reading this book first eat your nuggets and then go enjoy the Richie-rich life Asian style.

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| 2. | SecretSeven  | 5. | TheMazeRunner | 8. | TheKiteRunner   |
| 3. | TheBookThief | 6. | IamMalala     | 9. | CrazyRichAsians |



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