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**When Josh is in the sky,
the tension swirls in the breeze.
When the sections are at odds,
we call this September!**

The month began with a historic visit from the Honourable Vice-President of India, Shri Jagdeep Dhankar, marking the first visit by any Vice-President to the esteemed halls of RIMC. All work and no play dulls the spirit, so to energize our cadets for activities, sports became essential.

Vibrant displays of talent were showcased at the Padmanabhan Swimming Pool and the Rajwara Camp fields as inter-section Swimming and Soccer events commenced. True to their debating prowess, RIMCOs engaged in the Akhil Bhartiya Kashi-Naresh Hindi Debate Competition held within RIMC, where various schools showcased their skills. Our cadets were excited to observe and learn the valuable art of debating, an important asset in the Defence Forces. To top it all off, the cadets enjoyed a dreamlike experience of Mid-Term Hikes over five days.

In conclusion, September at RIMC can be described as a seamless routine that evokes déjà vu for senior cadets and fresh, innovative experiences for the juniors. The robust development achieved during this month is an excellent preparation for their ultimate goal, NDA.

***Cdt Kanishk Suyal
204th DARK KNIGHTS***

JANMASHTAMI CELEBRATION



"It is better to perform one's own duties imperfectly than to master the duties of another." — Lord Krishna, Bhagavad Gita.

On the evening of August 26, 2024, RIMC cadets gathered at the mandir in the campus to celebrate Janmashtami. The presence of our dedicated staff members and Col Rahul Agarwal Commandant RIMC, along with the Administrative Officer and Assistant Administrative and Training Officer contributed to the peaceful mood. We were surrounded in the soulful melodies of bhajans, some of which were masterfully performed by our own cadets, bringing a personal touch to the sacred occasion.

As we were engaged in the mandir's divine and spiritual environment, a tremendous downpour started. The rain, on the other hand, appeared to have a heavenly sense of timing, ceasing just as the religious procession began. This unexpected turn of affairs allowed the cadets to return to their dormitories with an astounding divinity, lifting their spirits high.



HINDI CREATIVE WRITING



Hindi, the national language of India, is one of the most prominent languages in the world. Acknowledged by all, however, this pride of ours has seen some critical negligence by us over the course of history, wherein the very natives don't have the proper knowledge about the language.

Understanding the gravity of this emerging concern RIMC has been conducting an Inter-section Hindi-creative writing competition every year during the Autumn term, encouraging the creativity and critical thinking of both the Hindi speaking and non-Hindi speaking cadets, allowing them to develop proficiency in it.

This year the Hindi creative writing competition was observed on 22nd of July, where the cadets were allotted a total of 1hr to innovate either a poem, a story, a composition or an essay on any of the 7 impromptu topics. There was no restriction on the word limit in any sort, giving the proper amount of exposure to the cadets of an open-ended dialogue.

In the juniors category, comprising of cadets from class 1 to 3, Cdt Rajkumar bagged the first prize, followed by Cdt Trijal and Cdt Harsh.

The seniors category saw Cdt Parth Kumar Tiwari snatching the pedestal, closely followed by Cdt Shivam Chahar and Cdt Ishant Sharma. The event was a huge success overall, with Shivaji section taking the trophy away from Ranjit at a cost of one point, followed by Chandragupta and Pratap, respectively.



PLANTING SEEDS OF INSPIRATION : VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT



The events of September 1, 2024, will be remembered in the annals of RIMC, when revered Indian Vice President Shri Jagdeep Dhankar with the Second Lady of India, Dr. Sudesh Dhankar arrived for his first visit where they were presented with a lovely bouquet and a red carpet welcome. His footsteps uplifted the RIMC atmosphere. Followed by an unforgettable group shot, he planted trees and added to the campus's verdant expanse, accompanied by a few cadets of Nature Hobby. The most anticipated aspect of the event was the speech given by the honorable Vice President at Thimayya Auditorium, which was followed by some encouraging remarks. Multiple media outlets were on hand to document the incredible events, which would undoubtedly be highly valuable. His visit would surely be an unforgettable one.





delivering the pearls of wisdom



a token never to be forgotten



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A memorable day at RIMC



INTER SECTION SOCCER



“Talent without hardwork is nothing”

The matches for the Inter-Section Soccer Tournament kicked off on 24th August, 2024, wherein all players showcased their dribbling, shooting and diving for the coveted trophy. Every second and goal of the matches came off like a bolt from the blue and the field seemed like a friendly war-ground where all teams played fiercely, fighting head-to-head against each other for the trophy.

In the juniors' category, Ranjit section emerged victorious, followed by Shivaji, Chandragupta and Pratap. As the teams fought mano-a-mano in the seniors category, the congenial rivalry was delayed till 5th September so that the classes 5 and 5A could also join up thele concours between the Lions and the Sharks. The Edersons and Messis showcased their robust kicks and the josh that is well known as 'RIMCO brotherhood' in RIMC. It is said that a winner is the one who never gives up and so, the sections toiled till their last breath but the material winner had to be one, and so it was the Shivaji section. And although the other sections couldn't win the trophy, what they surely won were the hearts and admirations of the entire college.

The gracious evening was finally concluded by an address of the Commandant and the accolade-distribution. In the juniors category, Cdt Naman Sharma was awarded the 'Best Goalkeeper' and Cdt Akash Yadav was the "Best Player".

For the senior lot, Cdt Prithviraj Chauhan was declared the 'Best Goalkeeper' and Cdt Section Commander Mudila Saran was the "Best Player".



INTERSECTION SWIMMING COMPETITION



After making soccer cup a cake walk for them, cadets started sweating and slaving to dive in the Padmanabhan swimming pool to make their section proud with glory. The Intersection Swimming Competition commenced on 9 October and ended on 11 October 2024. With many events taking place, some of the cadets arose directly to the top and won various prizes. Faculty members and the cadet body contributed to the meticulous functioning of the events.

On the final day, we got the opportunity to have a glance at the Director General of State Council of Science and Technology Professor Durgesh Pant as our Chief Guest. For the accolade-distribution, Cdt Aujaswini won the “most upcoming” swimmer prize followed by Cdt Yogityaraj who won best swimmer in the juniors category. Cdt Daksh Malik won best swimmer prize in the seniors category. For the overall performance, it was a red letter day for Chandragupta section as they won the cup followed by Pratap and Shivaji section and Ranjit section.



KASHI NARESH VAGVIBHUTI NARAYAN SINGH ALL INDIA INTER SCHOOL HINDI DEBATE- 2024

“Un grand débat”

RIMC has had a ritual of conducting the ever-engaging Hindi debate, Kashi Naresh, over two days, exhibiting the intellectual prowess and eloquence of its own cadets as well as students from myriad schools and institutions. This time, the event was graced by four out-station and seven in-station schools.

The occasion, which was a major component of the college's emphasis on holistic development, gave students a chance to articulate their opinions, have productive conversations, and improve their rhetorical abilities—all of which are well-known attributes of an officer that are fostered among the cadets at this epicenter of excellence.

The event was highly anticipated in the academic calendar and was held on September 13 and 14 at multiple venues within the campus.

High preparation and eloquence levels were evident throughout the debate. Cadets gave their presentations with grace and confidence, displaying a thorough comprehension of the material. Even while they vehemently defended their beliefs, participants were courteous of opposing opinions and had insightful conversations.

Insightful input was given by the judging panel for each round, which was made up of faculty members and guest speakers with relevant backgrounds. The distinguished judges of final round included poetess Mrs. Neeta Kukreti, Acharaya Dhananjay Guru, and Dr. Atul S. Pundir. Dr. Arvindnabh Shukla, the principal of Shri Ram Centennial School was the round's chief guest and in the midst of vehement dialogues, emerged the winner, Sainik School Gorhakal.

The overwhelming success of the Hindi debate at RIMC demonstrated the college's dedication to producing well-rounded people. It gave cadets a stage on which they could hone their debating competencies, interact with contemporary issues, and support an environment of polite discourse and intellectual curiosity. These kinds of activities are vital to the development of RIMC's future leaders because they help mold their communication and analytical skills and equip them to address the complex challenges of today's society.





DOON SCHOOL CHUCKERBUTTY MEMORIAL DEBATES



The 67th edition of “The Chuckerbutty Memorial Debates” hosted by The Doon School between 29th Aug -1st September 2024 was an enriching experience for the young cadets where a total of 26 schools participated in the mega event from across the nation bringing in almost 200 students under one roof.

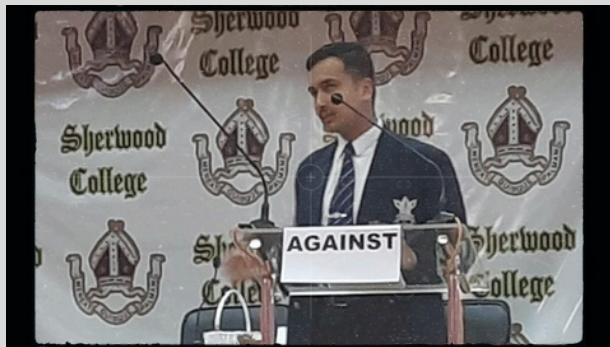
The debates were held in the World School Debates format which gave an opportunity to our cadets in showcasing intense-intellectual engagement - culminating a thrilling foot forward. RIMC cadets took part in the ZEDI English debates and the KAMALA JEEVAN Hindi debates which provided a platform to hone their public speaking skills.

Cdt Arya Singh, Cdt Arjun Singh Baweja and Cdt Sharvi were part of ‘The Zedi Team’ out of which Cdt Arjun was certified as the prominent and the best speaker throughout the preliminary rounds whereas on the other hand, the 35th edition of the KAMALA JEEVAN Hindi debates in which a total of 16 schools participated, witnessed the team comprising-Cdt Trijal Mallik, Cdt Parth Tiwari and Cdt Abhishek Kumar who won the runners up trophy against The Doon School in the final round but RIMC team was sojourned the trophy.

It was hailed a success, and has set the bar high for the students in the upcoming inter-school and inter-section events.



12TH LLEWELYN QUIZ AND DEBATE



A team comprising of 4 cadets Cdt Sec Com Akshaj Dutt Sharma, Cdt Sec Com Neel, Cdt NCO Sarveshwar Singh Rana, Cdt NCO Sarthak Jha accompanied by debating OIC Dr K Shyamsundar Singh took part in the 12th edition of Llewelyn Quiz as well as English Debates held at Sherwood College, Nainital from 6th of September to 8th of September.

A total of 14 schools took part not only from Nainital but also from several parts of India including the Doon Valley.

The team reached the college at 0900 hrs in the morning. After rejuvenating themselves, these 4 flag-bearers of RIMC prepared for the preliminary round of the Quiz scheduled at 1500 hrs and bombarded all the teams with their unwavering performance, wherefore securing the first position. In the finals it was a cut-throat competition in which RIMC put their best foot forward but stood fifth overall.

The next two days were going to be very crucial for the team as it was the Debate Competition.

The team toiled very hard and secured the top-notch position in the first two qualifying rounds which comprised of the Turn-Coat round and the Extempore Speech round. A total of 8 teams qualified for the quarter-finals. The quarter-final round began around 1500 hrs in the evening on the topic 'Deep rooted corruption hinders the percolation of resources' with RIMC giving brainstorming out of the box arguments against the motion and leaving a fine impression over other schools. After making it into the Semi-Finals, RIMC was paired up with the host school against the motion on the topic 'Regional wars are pushing the world at the threshold of next world war'. Hard Luck for RIMC! They could not make it to the Finals. Nevertheless the team came home with laurels by getting the Runners-Up trophy and each member of the full team getting an individual prize.

At the conclusion of the event, RIMC presented the Principal of the Sherwood College, Nainital with the Token of Thanks and Remembrance and came back home after having an enriching learning experience.



AUTUMN SPLASHES IN THE VALES OF DEHRADUN



UNISON WORLD SCHOOL AQUA MEET 2024

Following the laurels brought by bay cadets in Wynberg Allen School, came one more event in Unison World School, Aqua meet 2024. The girl cadets of College Swimming Team are no less.. hence to prove their mettle , they pulled up their socks and ventured out for the tournament . As a result , Cdt Aujaswini won a silver medal in 50m butterfly event and a bronze medal in 4*25m individual medley relay event. It was indeed a great opportunity to delve deeper into the ocean of swimming tournaments and we believe to do so.



WYNBERG ALLEN INTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING

RIMC boasts of a sports legacy far-armed beyond conjecture and we miss no chance to show-off our caliber, not commensurating to the time we get to hone the skills. Thus, with a streamlined body and the thought of treat in mind, 12 cadets of College swimming team went to the Wynberg Allen School, Mussorrie for the Mrs. West Memorial Swimming Competition. All the schools exemplified their finesse in the strokes but a single one doesn't win the trophy, so resilience always finds its way through. For the medal-tally of RIMC, which was expected to be never-ending, proved its meddle in the Seniors Division as Juniors couldn't rule the roost.

INDIVIDUAL

50m Breaststroke-GOLD-Cdt Daksh Malik
50m Breaststroke-BRONZE-Cdt Sumit Rajain
50m Backstroke-SILVER-Cdt Aniruddh
50m Freestyle-GOLD-Cdt Sumit Rajain

RELAYS

4*50m Medley Relay(Seniors)-GOLD
4*50m Freestyle Relay(Seniors)-GOLD
Cdt Aniruddh, Cdt Sumit, Cdt Daksh, Cdt Ishant

For the overall positions, we emerged 1st in the Seniors Category and 4th in the complete position.



KALARIPAYATTU BY SPIC-MACAY



the biggest plans are not made in the war-room, but rather on the dining table...



motivation never fails to find its place in RIMC



Eyeball to eyeball



Rendezvous with the epitomes of conscientious work



GREEN HORNS IN THE GREENS OF DOON VALLEY



The cadets of class I were very excited about their trek from Kimadi village to Rikhauli Naag devta temple on 8 September. The plan was to go on on a 13 km trek to the village side of Kimadi by bus and 4.5 km trek to the Nag mandir. As per the plan, along with hike OIC Mr Sanjay Kumar, Ms Shashi and Mr UP Dalvi, fervent cadets left the college at 5 o'clock. Enjoying the spellbinding valley of Dehradun, they reached the village site at 6:30. The trek started at 7 o'clock where the cadets were filled with exuberance and enthusiasm. Chanting the name of god, singing songs, and strengthening their valuable term bond, cadets reached the auspicious Naag Devta mandir. After seeking the blessing of the god, enjoying the scenic view of Doon valley and witnessing a live landscape workshop led by guest artist M.S. Kathuria., the cadets trekked back down and reached the college safely before mid-noon.



GLIMPSE OF RICH INDIAN ART

Cadets were enthralled to witness the spellbinding event in the hallowed portals of RIMC on 21 September as the display of Kalaripayattu by SPIC MACAY(Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Among The Youth) was conducted. The chief guest of the event was Lt Gen (Retd) R.K Nanavatty who was impressed by the amazing performance. Kalaripayattu is an Indian martial art form, which originated in Kerela during 11th-12th century and is taught in Valabhatta Kalari institutes. It consists of many types of art form including many weapons such as swords, daggers, spears, and shields. Mr. Rajeev and his team showcased the various forms as cadets' interests grew further. The art form strengthens the strength flexibility and stamina which was clearly depicted as the team conducted various basic drills used for building such qualities. Despite being such a brilliant art form, Kalaripayattu was banned during the British era which led to its demise. The SPIC MACAY society continues to promote such art form and enlighten the cadets about there glorious history and culture which keeps on helping them achieve their primary goal, the prestigious National Defence Academy.



SQUASH FLEDGLINGS RESURRECTED



On the bright and vibrant morning of Saturday, 21 September 2024, 8 cadets of our college set off to the lush green campus of the Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee. Squash is a game which requires unbeatable resilience, mental patience and composure and the spirit to dive for every ball. The cadets lived up to the name of the college and portrayed an excellent performance. The medal tally comprised of 5 gold, 3 bronze and 1 silver medal. Cdt Gargi won the gold medal in the women's category whereas in the men's category Naik Deva Ram Choudhary and Lt. Col. Abhishek Rana won the silver and the bronze medal respectively. In the men's team event, RIMC team A won gold medal and in the women's team event, RIMC team A and B won gold and bronze medal respectively. It was a successful event as cadets brought laurels to the college where they performed exceptionally well.



THE VERSAILLES OF MERAKI

SEPTEMBER



Here, you
meet pieces of
creativity that
make you
ponder on the
principles of
life and the
certainties it
provides.

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"Butterfly"

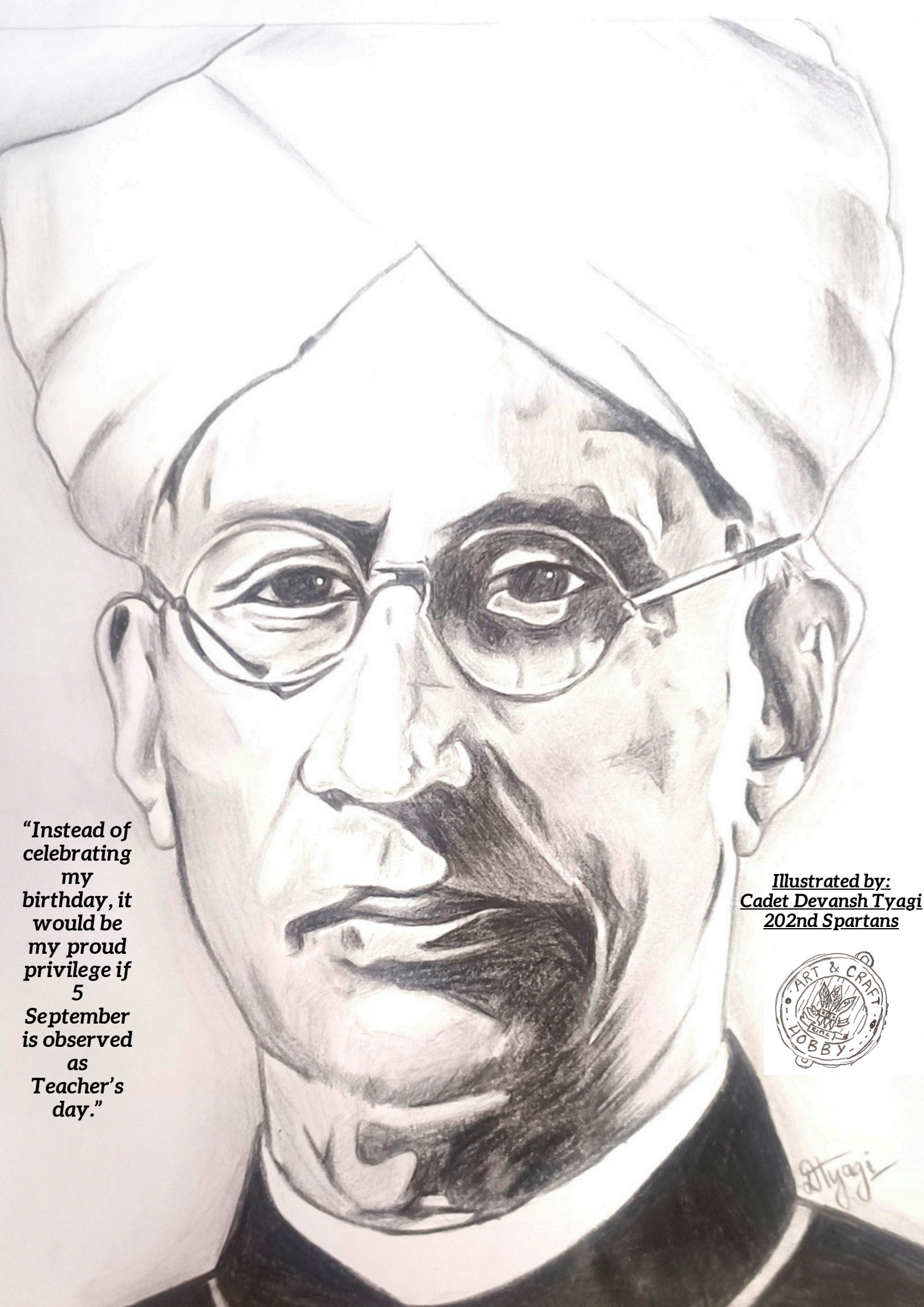
Little sweet butterfly
Where are you? off to?
Leaving me all awestruck
At least tell me where you're up to.

Aren't you afraid?
Of the predators that will kill you
Destroy your life and
Refuse to leave any of you?

How do you fly?
With no care at all
Fly with such pulchritude
Carrying all that's beautiful.

Teach me little butterfly, teach me
How to fly like you
And raise my head high
No matter who passes by.





"Instead of celebrating my birthday, it would be my proud privilege if 5 September is observed as Teacher's day."

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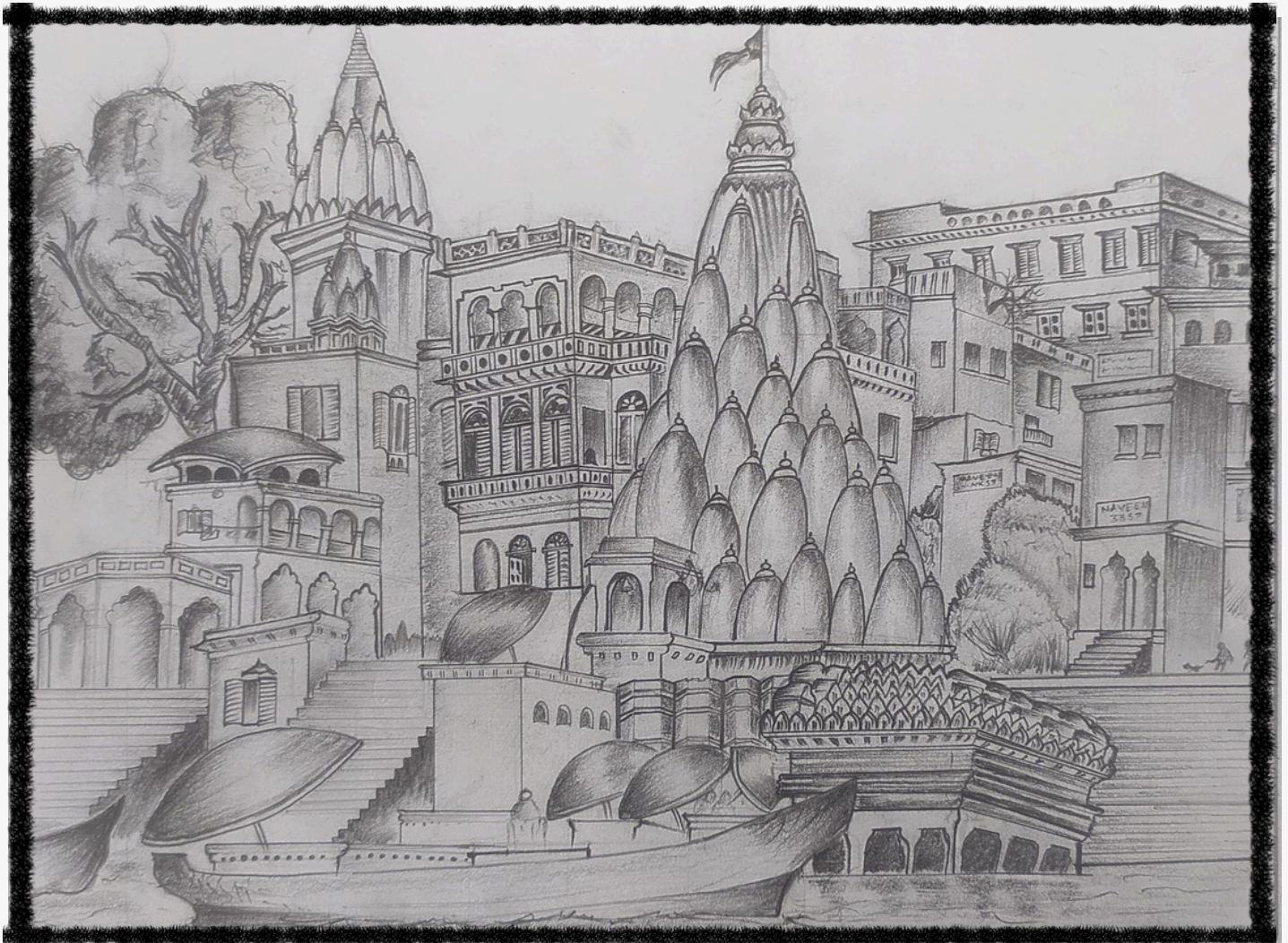
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