

BUNTS SANGHA'S  
S M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL & JUNIOR COLLEGE  
AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

# THE BUZZ

DECEMBER 2019 - JANUARY 2020





# ANNUAL DAY

## CP I & II

On 4th December, 2019 for the first time CPI and CPII had their exclusive Annual Day celebration. The students performed on Disney Classic **Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs**. The audience was mesmerised with their acting skills, stage presence, voice modulation and presentation. The students showcased skills in collaboration, teamwork, creativity and communication with the help of the creative Helen-O-Grady team.



## CP III, IV & V

The concert was a beautiful amalgamation of acting, music and dance. It made us believe in the world of fairy tales and Alice in Wonderland truly personifies the saying that - "Not all those who wander are lost". With the able guidance of our speech and drama partners Helen-O-Grady our students learnt the nuances of drama and theatrics. Each one of our students bloomed on the stage with their performances, delivering near perfect performances, much to the delight of parents and teachers.





# ANNUAL DAY

## CHECKPOINT, IGCSE, AS AND IB

Our students of Checkpoint, IGCSE, AS and IB, with great enthusiasm and zeal had taken the audience on a time-travel- across generations, spaces and memories- to render the essence of our cultural genesis- the story of Bharat. While seamlessly blending skits and dance performances, the students depicted a spellbinding 5000 years old rendition of the illustrious life of Shakuntala and Emperor Bharat with complete finesse. The teachers and the staff of Helen O 'Grady put in their best to ensure that the students performed at the very best, thus making each one of us proud to be part of such a rich cultural heritage that we, as descendants of Emperor Bharat have come to acquire and share.





# ANNUAL SPORTS DAY

Annual Sports Day was held on 25th January 2020 on the school playground. The event began with the welcoming of the Chief Guest, Mr. Sanket Battu, an athlete, swimmer and a marathon runner and an alumnus of the Institution. The distinguished members of our management, Chairman-Powai Education Committee, CA Shankar B Shetty, Vice Chairman-Powai Education Committee, Mr BR Shetty, Treasurer-Powai Education Committee, CA Harish Shetty and Chairman-Sports Committee, Mr Rajendra Shetty graced the occasion. The dignitaries inspected the squads and took the salute of the March Past.



The torch was proudly carried around the ground by the Sports Captains of the four houses and the oath was administered by the School Sports Captain. The Chief Guest gave a message of dedication and discipline to reach greater heights in Sports.

Chairman, CA Shankar Shetty said that the school will always provide a platform for our own student achievers to motivate their peers through their accomplishments. The Sports Day paid tribute to the nominees for the Padma Awards- nine illustrious sportswomen. The float showcasing the nominees was followed by a Carnival with a message of a healthy lifestyle. The Pyramid and the Martial Arts display added vibrance to the event. Students competed in events including sprints, relays, and obstacle races. The students of the t' Rijks school from Netherlands who were here on an exchange programme were happy to participate in races as well as traditional games. The championship trophy was clinched by the Summer House and the trophy for the Best March Past was awarded to the Autumn house. The Sports event of IEYC and CP I and II in the evening was made special with the theme of Community Helpers. Vice Chairman-Powai Education Committee, Mr Nityanand Hegde encouraged the students and urged them to commit to a healthy lifestyle.

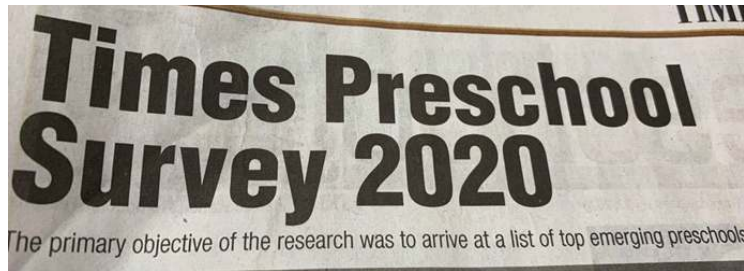
The air was filled with cheers and encouragement for the young athletes. Fun time with the parents added to the overall enjoyment.





## TIMES PRESCHOOL SURVEY 2020

We are delighted to announce that on 23rd January 2020, our school has been ranked 4th in the "Times Preschool Survey Mumbai – 2020". We are grateful to our Management, faculty, students and parents who are instrumental in the success story of our school.



SCHOOL (KG TO 12 CATEGORY)	
Name	Rank
Ascend International School, Bandra East	1
MET Rishikul Vidyalaya, Bandra West	2
Panbai International School, Santacruz East	3
<b>Bunts Sangha's SM Shetty International School and Jr. College, Powai</b>	<b>4</b>
New Horizons Scholars School, Thane West	5
Gopal Sharma International School, Powai Vihar	6
Nahar International School, Andheri East	7
Garodia's Academy – A Preschool, Ghatkopar	8
G. S. Shetty International School, Bhandup	9
Ryan Shalom Montessori, Andheri East	10
Gurukul International Kindergarten - Bombay Cambridge International School, Andheri West	11
Rahul International School CBSE, Nalasopara	12
New Horizons Public School and Penguin Kids, Parvel	13
Gurukul International Kindergarten, C/o Veer Bhagat Singh International School, Malad West	14



## Bunts Sangha's SM Shetty International School and Jr College Making a difference...

Collaboration and team work is the force that drives Bunts Sangha's SM Shetty International School and Junior College. In its 12th year the school has a strength of over 1200 students guided by a competent faculty of over 100 teachers. A complete international school it offers the International Early Years Curriculum (IEYC) from Fieldwork Education, UK at Kindergarten Years, Cambridge Curriculum from Grades 1 to 12 and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme for Grades 11 and 12.

The school has been achieving accolades in the field of international education and is ranked among the top international schools in surveys conducted by Times School Survey and other leading publications. It has also received the Aranya Healthy Workplace Award, Times Education Icon Award and British Council International Schools Award.

The IEYC Curriculum adopts a flexible system of education where the emphasis is not on quantity of learning but on depth of understanding. Learning at IEYC is an easy blend

between homeroom and life and incorporates local context to a high degree. The school uses Active Learning Method with a firm belief that students get excited about learning when they are doing things and thinking about what they are doing. Over the kindergarten years parents have seen holistic growth in their children and are highly involved in the programme.

To promote holistic development, yoga, meditation sports, music, art, dance are embedded in the daily routine. Strong values are instilled among students through the kindness curriculum which ensures that children learn social and emotional skills to build resilience and well-being in their lives as they inch towards adulthood.

The school undertakes several green initiatives to promote sustainable development and children actively participate in signature campaigns to save fuel and marched to save Arany.

The Sports Day theme was saving animals and Annual Day was about spreading awareness about the dying planet. Through activities like Joy of Giving, Anna Danam children are



sensitized about ways in which they can give back to the society.

Communication is the key to success and the school lives it by communicating with parents through 'Coffee and Conversation' with Principal, an initiative to make Parent Voice heard beyond the PTA. 'Letter to Principal' and 'Lunch with Principal' are platforms for students to voice their views and opinions. The school fosters a high degree of family engagement through various parental activities.



A firm believer of equity and inclusive education the school has a full-fledged counselling centre and regular sessions on life skills are conducted for all students and teachers.

The school has a 'Professional Learning Network' where teachers conduct workshops, learning circles and action research. Teachers are examiners and trainers for organizations at National and International level. Every teacher in pre-primary has been trained by the IEYC Head-Fieldwork

Education-UK. They also participate in workshops, seminars, national and international conferences.

IEYC Coordinator, Madhuban Ghosh is a certified trainer of the IEYC Curriculum- Fieldwork Education, UK and is also on the Advisory Board for International Early Years Curriculum. The school also offers Cambridge Professional Development Qualifications in teaching



and learning for teachers and the Principal, Mildred Lobo is a certified trainer by Cambridge.

Bunts Sangha's SM Shetty International School and Junior College is a school where Excellence is a Habit and Compassion the Culture and believe that as a school community they truly make a difference.

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The students of CPII presented- 'India- My Country', the theme of a Special Assembly on 15th January 2020. India is an incredible country with over 100 spoken dialects and languages, various cultural forms and religious practices. Just like we all are different beads joined together by an invisible string depicting our country's legacy, history, deep-rooted value system that binds us together as one. Students performed the dance in vibrant costumes, a skit which displayed the clean and green India.





# COMPETITIONS

## MISA SYNERGY

Our school participated in MISA Synergy science exhibition held at JBCN International School, Borivali West on Saturday, 18th Jan 2020. The theme of science exhibition was **'Technology used in the welfare of humankind.'**

Students presented innovative ideas through the Senior group projects-, 'Dizz-ease and Heart beat monitor 'and Junior group project- 'The revolutionary tooth sensor'.



## INTER-HOUSE ENGLISH QUIZ COMPETITION

Inter-house English Quiz Competition was conducted for the CP section on 8th January 2020. The event witnessed enthusiastic preparation and participation. The audience was equally engrossed in each and every round conducted.

### Winners of the Morning Shift:

**1st position** – Winter House – **Raavya Shetty** (CP I B), **Ashna Purohit** (CP II A)

**2nd position** – Summer House – **Zahi Syed** (CP I C), **Pradyoth Shankar** (CP II A)

**1st position** - Summer House - **Abbas Beg** (CP III C), **Akangsh Pillai** (CP IV C), **Megan Salian** (CP V C)

**2nd position** - Spring House - **Anshul Bathula** (CP III B), **Akash Neil** (CP IV B), **Bhavik Jeswani** (CP V A)

### Winners of the Afternoon Shift:

**1st position** - Summer House- **Moksh Bansal** (CP II D), **Saket Ananthakrishnan** (CP I D)

**2nd position** - Autumn House – **Harshita Bhojwani** (CP II D), **Janay Mukherjee** (CP I E)

**1st position** - Spring House - **Ayati Kaul** (CP IV E), **Kristina Salmon** (CP III D)

**2nd position** - Autumn House - **Reva Joshi** (CP IV E), **Aanjaneya Naveen** (CP III D)





# FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

## FUN-FLEA-ESTA - A STUDENT INITIATIVE

Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Junior College celebrated Business Carnival- FUN FLEA ESTA, on the 30th of Nov 2019. Every year the school celebrates Business Day to enable the students get a first-hand experience of setting up and running a business. This year the event was organized on a big scale and was open to all.



The students conceptualized Fun Flea Esta and started to work on the plan and organize the event. A student led initiative- from deciding the name of the event, to sketching the logo, creating banners and posters, advertising the event on instagram and facebook, allocating stalls, etc. every aspect was designed and developed by the students. There were 46 stalls set up by students, teachers, parents and others selling scrumptious food, crafts and handwork, paintings, and more. Game stalls added even more fun to the event.

The main attraction of the event- The Center Stage, where performances could be seen from all sides. Apart from various mesmerizing performances by the students and the teachers, the stage was open for the general public where anyone could perform. This was a platform where confluence of different talents were tapped and showcased. People could dedicate songs to their dear ones through Jukebox and sing live through Karaoke. The little ones enjoyed the trampoline slides, toy train, and Ferris wheel set up specially for them.

The event was a huge success gauged from the happy faces of all those present for the carnival and from the feedback received from parents and students. With a huge footfall and a spirit of camaraderie all around, it was an evening to remember.





# FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

## STARRY, STARRY NIGHT

An Astronomy camp was organized by 'Central Adventures' on 4th and 5th January 2020. The prime objective was to identify various objects in the sky and view them through powerful telescopes. Students were shown how to identify the 'Saptarshi' {Stars of Saptarshi (Ursa Major)} with naked eyes. A laser beam was used by the experts to pinpoint the location of the stars.

Intermittent lectures and PPT presentations helped students to boost their knowledge of space.

Students were also apprised about the impact of pollution on the city's skies which masks the objects in the space.



## INTERNATIONAL KIDS FILM FESTIVAL

At SMSISJC, we believe in holistic development of our students. Keeping this in mind, for the first time we introduced the magic of International Kids' Film Festival. Students were shown age appropriate films between 11th November and 11th December 2019. These films educated, inspired and entertained our students and left them asking for more.





# FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

## YAZOO PARK

The Annual School picnic on 23rd December 2019 at Yazoo Park, Virar was a fun filled event. Students of CP I – IGI enjoyed rides, lip-smacking food with friends. It was indeed an outing to remember creating fond memories for our students.





# FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Friday, 20th December we celebrated Christmas, the festival which inspires the spirit of sharing and caring. The significance of the festival was explained to the students through Christmas stories. Students across all grades sang Christmas carols. They were dressed up in their party attire. They decorated their classes with small Christmas trees, stockings, stars etc. There was a huge Christmas tree decorated with lamps and toys and flowers in the school premises. Teachers and students exchanged the precious gifts of hope, peace, joy and love. Our students shared their party snacks with each other.





# INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIONS

## EUMIND EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2019-20

The school held the second Eumind exchange program from 19th January to 25th January, 2020. There were 13 students and 2 teachers who visited us from T'Rijks School in Bergen op Zoom, Netherlands. It was a wonderful opportunity for the Indian and Dutch students to discover more about each other's culture and also collaborate face-to-face on their project topics.

The Dutch students enjoyed this immersive experience with a range of activities including art workshop, laboratory sessions, nature-trails, heritage walks, sight-seeing, yoga sessions and Sports Day march past.





# INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIONS

## GENERATION GLOBAL

Generation Global is part of the Tony Blair Institute for Global Change. The programme is designed with dialogue at its heart and works with young students around the world, equipping them with the skills needed to be comfortable with difference and resilient to divisive narratives. The students explore the world of relentless change and profound diversity, learning how to express their views and differences.

On 17th December, 2019 our IGCSE, IB and AL students had the opportunity of interacting with the students from Pakistan and Delhi, through online video conference, engaging in dialogue around issues of culture, identity, beliefs, values, surrounding education for global citizenship.





# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

**Priyam Chheda** of CP III has bagged the first prize in the MISA Velocity Inter school skating competition.

Heartiest Congratulations to him, his family and his mentors.



Our students, **Vaishnavi Chettiar** from CP IB and **Vignesh Chettiar** from CP VB have bagged the 'Star Player of the Match' award from the Mumbai District Football Association, Kudos to the young athletes!



Our student **Khushi Krishna** from CP IV D has secured the ninth rank in the Maharashtra State Championship, 2018-2019 of the MARRS International Spelling Bee in Category III held at the Indo Scottish Global School on the 7th of December, 2019. We wish her much more success in the years to come.





# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

The Science Olympiad Foundation conducts various exams every year. This year too our students brought laurels to the school. The following are the result details of the exams:

## \*International English Olympiad (IEO)

The IEO is conducted on two levels. It is conducted in partnership with the British Council.

Number of students who had registered for the examination-216

Zonal Level-2

Gold Medals-11

Silver Medals- 9

Bronze Medals- 10

## \*National Science Olympiad (NSO)

The NSO is conducted on two levels each year.

\*Number of students who had registered for the examination-240

Zonal Level-2

Gold Medals-17

Silver Medals- 14

Bronze Medals- 14

## International Mathematics Olympiad (IMO)

The IMO is conducted on two levels each year.

\*Number of students who had registered for the examination-249

Zonal Level-2

Gold Medals-18

Silver Medals- 16

Bronze Medals- 16

**SAEVUS**, the country's foremost nature and wildlife magazine, in association with rotary clubs across the country had organised 'SAEVUS ACHIEVERS QUIZ' on 13th December, 2020, in 40 plus cities in the country with the aim to develop a strong environmental consciousness among school children .

Our students participated in the quiz and secured the 1st runner- up position. The team has qualified for the zonal semi-finals to be held in the month of February 2020.

## Achiever's names:

Anika Narkar - CP – VC

Ishaan Malik - Checkpoint- I A

Nandakishor Bejoy - Checkpoint II C





# STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

## IN DEFENCE OF ANIMALS

On 14th December, the students of IBDP-1 volunteered for the esteemed NGO, IDA. United by the love for animals, the students got to assist the officials with work such as cleaning and bathing animals, brainstorming for fundraisers and most importantly, empathizing with the ever-loving animals who never missed a chance to shower the students with affection!



## POWAI FEST

On January 11th, our students from IBDP and AS levels put up a stellar performance at Powai fest 2020. Accompanied with the soulful rhythm of the drums, melodious guitars and mellifluous vocals, the band certainly got everyone tapping their feet! Cheekily called "the last minute", we hope to catch these performers soon!



## TRIP TO THE ANDAMANS

Our students of grade 11 from IBDP and AS level were on an educational tour to Andaman from 16th to 20th January. As a part of CAS the students visited the Wandoor Government School.

The students spent quality time with the students from the Wandoor school.

They taught and played educational games to those students along with outdoor games like cricket, badminton and hopscotch.

Some students did a wonderful Art display on the school walls.

The students gifted them art stationery like drawing book, colours, in addition to the card games like fletter, blink and also outdoor game equipment like badminton rackets and a cricket set.





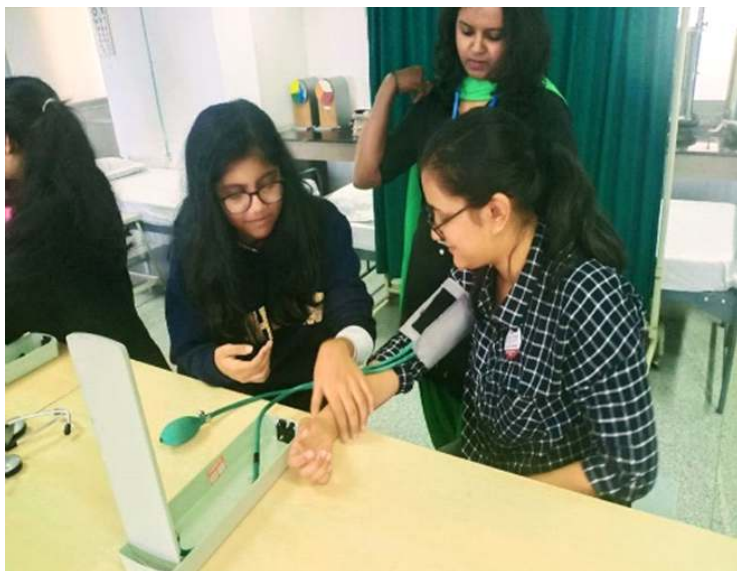
# STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

## PREMED

Our students of IBDP & A Level attended the 3 days medical program named Mini Med School- Future doctors of India, in association with the St. George's University & M S Ramaiah College Bangalore. The aim of the program was to get the insights of becoming a future leader in medicine.

Our students visited various departments such as Radiology, Clinical physiology, the organs museum, CPR digital readings and the dissection hall where they actually learnt how to surface mark the organs for surgery on Cadaver (Dead human body) under the complete guidance of the doctors. As a part of the program our students interacted, observed, debated, enacted in role plays, and presented the topics assigned to them in front of the doctors from various fields of medicine. They also got opportunity to watch live surgery videos. The understanding of the students was assessed by the doctors and we are pleased to inform you that out of 22 students from different states across the country our student Shauna Shanbhag from IBDP I was awarded the 1st prize (Best performer of Mini med program) by St George University, Grenada.

It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to get hands-on experience of the sessions that are not possible during our routine lab activities and also to interact with the medical specialists.



## THE TIMES OF INDIA NEWSMAKERS' MEET

Our students, Pratham Dusad (IGCSE 1A), Parinita Thayyil (CHPT 3A) and Nandakishor Bejoy (CHPT 2 C) were nominated to participate in The Times NIE School Reporter Program on 23rd January 2020 at Y R Chavan Auditorium, Matunga West. The students had to go through a written test on report writing and journalism. They also got an opportunity to be part of a students' press conference where they got to meet and question Mrs Meera Borgaonkar, Maharashtra's Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Prisons. It was an amazing and one-of-a-kind experience of for the students.





## TEACHER ACHIEVEMENTS

### NATIONAL LAUNCHPAD

Our Economics Faculty, Ms Aditi Basu has been declared as one of the winners at the IV National Launchpad: 2019 – 20. The National Launchpad 2019 is a platform for presenting papers and aims at getting all the aspiring educationists across India onto one single platform where they bring their imaginations and innovations to the table with a conviction that those ideas have the potential to bring about a revolution in the field of education.



## TEACHER OPPORTUNITIES

### TEACHER TRAINING

IB Faculty (Hindi) - Ms. Sunita Dubey, French faculty - Ms. Natasha Master and ESS Faculty - Ms. Anukthi Suvarna underwent Category 2 training for the IB Diploma Programme. The training took place in Oberoi International School Goregaon from 22nd Nov to 24th Nov, 2019.



## TEACHER OPPORTUNITIES

Our Marathi Faculty, Ms. Poonam Mhatre, attended a workshop conducted by The Saraswati Publication House on "the Latest Teaching Techniques."



IB Faculty attended the SAIBSA ( South Asia IB Schools Association ) meet on 18th January at Mount Litera School. This session involved an exchange of ideas, networking and sharing of best practices.





# IEYC II & III FIELD TRIP

## EVERY CHILD IS AN ARTIST BLESSED WITH VIVID IMAGINATION

Field trip in SMSISJC are always about providing learners with experiences outside their everyday activities. It allows them to be involved in new environments and is key to encouraging curiosity. The little ones of IEYC II and III went to Ambrosia Park and explore the natural surrounding and let their imagination take flight as they made collages out of various natural things they collected from the park. It was an extension of their theme of learning – Loose Parts and Imagine That

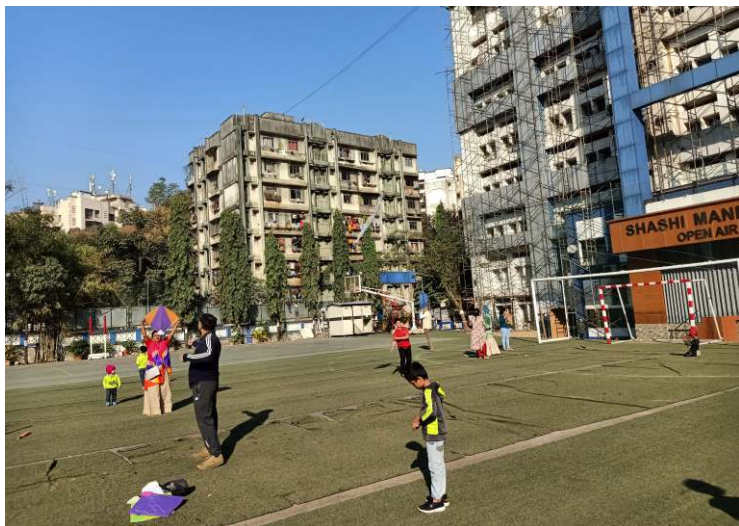




# IEYC - ACTIVITIES

## IEYC PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT - KITE FLYING

On 18th January 2020, Saturday the sky above SM Shetty International School was full of multi coloured kites as IEYCians and their parents celebrated the Kite Flying Festival with great gusto.



## PICNIC TIME IS FUN TIME - HAPPY BACHHAS AT BACHHA PARTY

There could have been no better way to begin the holiday season than laughing our way into it. Jumping, cheering, diving amidst colourful balls, sliding, building sand castles, playing visual games, dancing, feasting on yummy food... all bundled up in our IEYC picnic to Bachha Party.







I love my Quill



Sorting is fun



look! I know how to peel the peas



Community Helpers - Dabbawala



Our Emotions



Oh dear! balancing isn't easy





Jingle Bells, Jingle bells, Jingle all the way



Lets make a den



Look at our beautiful Christmas Tree



Treating our taste buds





Cooking is so much fun in our mud kitchen



Now I know all about Cause and Effect



It's Story time!



Lets make a den



Look at our beautiful Christmas Tree



Oh dear! balancing isn't easy





Oh! what goes up comes down..Gravitation



Our beautifully patterednd peacock



Our den is almost ready



Playing in the mud kitchen



Shoot the hoop



The dough is so stickyyyyy





Blow Painting - its not simple



Enacting the story of Four Friends



Colourful Elemer, the elephant



Flower Rangoli



Messy Art.. Its so messy!



Madhuban's Art is so beautiful





Making snail shell with thread



Shadow Play - an art of Story Telling



Recreating the famous Van Gogh Painting - The Starry Night



Try and pull my tail



Show and Tell



Trying our hand at Tie and Dye