

## HSNC UNIVERSITY, MUMBAI Kishinchand Chellaram College Department of Life Sciences

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## 'A sweet ending to a new beginning !' - Lauren & Joseph

On 28th of August, 2021 the Department of Life Sciences, K. C. College came together to bid a virtual farewell to the beloved passing out students of the 2020 - 21 batch of Life Sciences, on Zoom platform. Ciao'21 was organised by second and third year students of the Department of Life Sciences for their seniors. Graced by the presence of Principal and Vice Principals, K. C. College the event was attended by the students, professors, former professor and non-teaching staff of the Department of Life Sciences.

Ciao'21 was inaugurated by Dr. Hemlata Bagla, Principal, K. C. College. In her inspiring and enlightening welcome address Dr. Bagla said that the batch of Life Sciences 2020-21 has emerged as a winner after facing several challenges in the past year. Dr. Shalini Sinha and Dr. Tejashree Shanbhag, Vice Principals, K. C. College, addressed the passing out students and wished them a bright and fulfilling future ahead. Dr. Archana Thite, former faculty of Department of Life Sciences, also blessed the passing out batch. The inaugral address was followed by an evening of fun and togetherness. Ciao'21 began with a trip down the memory lane as the audience got a glimpse of all the precious moments of the Life Sciences batch of 2020-21 through a video compilation. The next segment featured sweet and nostalgic video messages from the passing out batch as they shared their experience at the Department of Life Sciences, K. C. College.

The 'Fun' segment of Ciao'21 included entertaining games like 'Kisme kitna hai dimaag', where the students had to give the name of a scientist or scientific name of an organism starting from the alphabet they were assigned. Another game, 'I should have known that..' a fun version of the identifications in practical exams, made the students remember good old offline college days. 'Pehchan Kaun?', a sweet and mischevious game where the seniors competed against each other in the battle of wit and humour, identifying famous lines of their professors. The 'Felicitation' ceremony included announcement of the 'Bingo Awards' and 'Class awards' for the Life Sciences batch of 2020-21 which featured fun titles given to the students by their own classmates as certificates. Student members of EVENGERS, event management committee of the Department of Life Sciences, also recieved their certificates.

As Ciao'21 moved towards its end a beautiful compilation of the 'Thoughts from Teachers' of Life Sciences Deprtment for the passing out batch was read out. In the heartwarming closing ceremony the teachers and non-teaching staff of the department spoke about their special bond with the passing out batch and gave them blessings and well wishes for their future ahead. As the new alumni of the Department of Life Sciences, K. C. College spoke about the journey of their undergraduate years and expressed their gratitude the attendees were moved to tears and once again the thought 'Once a KCite, Always a KCite' was manifested. Ciao'21 came to an end with the beautiful and thoughtful words of Dr. Sagarika Damle, HOD, Department of Life Sciences, K. C. College, 'Door hokar bhi aap hamare saath hai, hame aap ke har pal ka ehsaas hai...', that touched everyone's heart. Ciao'21 concluded with a formal vote of thanks followed by the National Anthem.

The Department of Life Sciences collectively has always been forever ready to face any obstacle or challenge that is thrown in their way, and always looks for openings to grow, bloom and to never settle for less. With the dedication of students and the constant guidance of teachers yet another marvelous event, Ciao'21, came to an end with a triumph. As Mahatma Gandhi has rightly said, "There are no goodbyes for us. Wherever you are, you will always be in our heart." a similar feeling swelled in the hearts of the entire Life Sciences family as a new batch of enthusiastic and eager students left the nest to soar into the skies high above.

- Team KC LSD

