

The first year students of the English department recently organised a bake sale on the 12<sup>th</sup> of this month. The purpose of the sale was to raise funds for the upcoming The Bard By The Mandovi-Shakespeare Festival, one of the biggest inter-school event in Goa organised by the English Department of Parvatibai Chowgule College.

The sale offered a variety of muffins ranging from chocolate-chip muffins to banana muffins, and delicious candied apples with

## SHAKE'S BAKES!

a chocolate sauce to die for! Not to forget were the corned beef sandwiches that failed to disappoint. But what topped the list was the mouth-watering chocolate cake that sold out within minutes. Besides the baked goodies, the juniors also put up a game stall for everyone to add a little fun and excitement!

It may be their first attempt at organizing a

bake sale but that didn't stop the FYs from making a really good profit and having fun. Watching people's positive reaction to their sale was what they enjoyed the most said Sinead from the first year. The enthusiastic first years along with the cheflings of the department – Chloe, Cloris and Rejoy, left everyone with a happy tummy and a broad smile on their face. Over all it was a sweet and successful event!

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**by Ms. Loretta Rodrigues**



## TERENCE LEWIS TO VISIT CHOWGULE'S

August 12, Margao: Chowgule College announced last week that Terence Lewis, dancer-choreographer of international acclaim, is to be the Guest of Honour on their Founders Day.

In keeping with tradition, the newly autonomous institution will celebrate its Founder's Day on the 25<sup>th</sup> of August with a visit by a popular public figure, in hopes that a glimpse into their journey will inspire the students. They have, in the past few years, hosted the likes of Chetan Bhagat, Milkha Singh, and Viren Rasquinha. It is invariably a marvellous experience for the students, for no matter which field the guest may be from, they always seem to have extremely fascinating stories to tell.

The celebrity guest this year is a much loved dancer and choreographer – Terence Lewis. The 41 year old specialises in contemporary dance, and runs a successful



## NSS Patriotic Singing Competition



The National Service Scheme, under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports Government of India, popularly known as NSS was launched in Gandhiji's Birth Centenary Year 1969, in 37 Universities, involving 40,000 students with the primary focus on the personality of the students through community service. Today, the NSS has more than 3.2 million student volunteers across India.

Parvatibai Chowgule College is also a part of the NSS organization and all the students actively participate in the NSS through social service. The teachers in charge of

dance company based in Bombay. He choreographs for all sorts of productions – adverts, music videos, stage shows and films – and of course, for competitions. He has hit an all-time high in popularity within the nation and without, thanks to his presence as choreographer and judge on a number of television dance reality shows. Over the years, Lewis has grown into an icon that aspiring performers all over the country look up to. ###

**by Ms. Aarati Joshi**

the NSS team are Mr Sachin Kakodkar, Mr Pradeep Jatal and Ms Sarika Advilkar. This year NSS team organized the annual inter class patriotic singing competition on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016 that was held in the upper auditorium of the college. It was hosted and managed by Vaishnavi Pai Cacode, a third year student and an active member of NSS group along with the help of NSS team members from the FY, SY and TY.

"The main thought of this competition was to create 'patriotism' in the minds of students and love for their country", said by Mr Pradeep Jatal as he welcomed the gathering. Six teams participated in this competition. Pricy and her group of 13 members from Zoology department won 1<sup>st</sup> place while Tanvi Matonkar and her group from Zoology department won the 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Varsha Kumbhar along with her group from Marathi department won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the competition. The winning team along with the first runners up were awarded the opportunity to sing for Independence Day in college. \*\*\*

**by Ms. Vruksha Karmali**





## **SHOBHAA, BAS BHI KAR DE**

Margao, 10 August: Columnist and author, Shobhaa De has been drawing a lot of flak on social media for her insulting tweet on the Indian Olympians at Rio de Janeiro. According to her, all the athletes are doing is clicking selfies, and wasting opportunity and money. "Goal of Team India at the Olympics: Rio jao. Selfies lo. Khaali haat wapas aao. What a waste of money and opportunity," De tweeted on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August 2016. While India's best 121 athletes fight for a chance to win medals at the Rio Olympics of 2016, Mrs. Shobhaa De shows her patriotism towards her country being an armchair athlete and worrying about the country's coffers which have only been feeding the rich. Former captain of the Indian hockey team Viren Rasquinha tweeted, "Ms. De,



kindly run on the hockey pitch for 60 mins & hold a rifle like Abhinav and Gagan. Bit tougher than u think." <sic> While Mr. Abhinav Bhindra, India's ace shooter who stood 4<sup>th</sup> in the shootout of the Rio Olympics 2016, with a margin of 0.5, tweeted, "that's a tad unfair. You should be proud of your athletes perusing human excellence against the whole world." India's performance at the Rio Olympics 2016 has no doubt been disheartening so far but at least our athletes have given their best shot. It's not easy being at sportsman in India; we lack the proper facilities, infrastructures and trainers. Every state has a Sachin Tendulkar or a Mary Kom or a Dipa Karmakar or a Milkha Singh but all they lack is the opportunity and proper guidance, which our Sports Authority of India fails to provide. Our country has a population of 1.252 billion people and we fail to recognize talent and encourage them and Mrs. De seems to be one those people who all talk and no show. I do believe India has a long way to go with reference to sports but at least it has started its quest to reach the summit. We as citizens of this country should be proud of our athletes rather than shaming them, for only they know how hard they tried to bring pride to the country. \*\*\*

by **MS. PRIYANKA AFONSO**

## **PARVATIBAI CHOWGULE COLLEGE ALL SET TO WELCOME TERENCE LEWIS**

Margao, 14 August : Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science is all set to host the dancing sensation, Terence Lewis on the occasion of Founder's Day, on 25 August 2016.

Since 2010, Founder's Day has been one of the most auspicious events at Parvatibai Chowgule College. Many famous personalities like Milkha Singh, Geet Sethi, Viren Rasquinha have honored the event with their presence. And this year, the college takes great pleasure in announcing that Terence Lewis has accepted the invitation to glorify the event with his presence.

The main objective behind inviting famous personalities is to inspire the college students with their life stories. The event will witness the presence of the college management members as well as the presentation of the 'Hira Wagh' award to Miss Tanya Keni.

**BY MS. ARCHASANCOU**



Former guests include Shri. Viren Rasquinha and others. Check out the next issue for an indepth write up on Terence Lewis



## **Chowgule College GETS IT'S OWN APP! ARE YOU APP - TO - DATE?**

Looks like all of us have taken the the definition of a cell - i.e. Fundamental unit of life - too seriously, but confused it with the cell-phone. Here we have Chowgule college with its very own app, making a student's life much easier. I was so excited when I received the link to download the app but to my bad luck, i use an apple device and the app can only be downloaded on android phones. Very curious to know more about this app, I asked my friends if they had downloaded it, and it was really funny to hear them say that it's harmful for their devices, so they were afraid to download it. Still curious, I used my old android phone and downloaded the college app to find out what it was all about. The app opened to the page where I could log in and keep a track of everyday activities, my attendance, targets, time table and all important notices - but to my disappointment the app wouldn't load and an error kept occurring. despite the problems, I feel it's a really good initiative and definitely needs to be worked on.

**Editor's Note:** On trying to install the college app, I was immediately drawn to the fact that the app required permission to not only access your SD card but also permissions to modify it and delete information from it! One wonders what the app is going to be doing. App makers, Please rectify that problem asap if you want students to use the app.

by **Ms. Simran Malkarnekar**





I wonder, sometimes, why people hate Mondays with such vehemence. They're tolerable, honestly. It's kind of like the start of a cardio workout, you're feeling all powerful for a couple minutes - and it's downhill from there. It feels the same with months. August, bang in the middle of the year - everyone, I'm not kidding, everyone seems to lose it. Coffee and Red Bull (I wish I could add Jager), eye-bags, and a perpetually irritated mood... Yes, friends, say hello to life. Life's got a ringmaster, and he's called routine.

I think, maybe we should slap barcodes on our wrists. Because isn't that what we essentially end up being? Products of an entropic system? We're 'intelligent' creatures - and look where that has got us. Broken world, isn't it? Massacres everywhere, of humans and of ideas - chaos wrought of power, fanaticism and ignorance. To the rest, indifference is the poison, armchair activism is the antidote to that particular cognitive dissonance. We have our own lives to 'live'. Our days turn to nights in the blink of an eye, weeks and months go by with the average human going about the same old routine, existing - and not much else.

But we who wield pens and paintbrushes, we think we're different. We're making art, are we? All that blood was never poetic, it was just red. We turned it into poetry - in hope that it makes us feel better about ourselves. Am I saying that art is useless? No. Or maybe I am. You see, I always believed in revolutions of thought - but now I'm not so sure. Disorder, chaos, what if this IS the order? Nobody likes the idea of being just another item, because it means we're no longer in control. We sure seem to be living that way, though. Just an observation - an observation the other half of me denies as strongly as you do right now, reader.

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## REJECTION... The feeling that kills

In today's world there are bunch of talented individuals struggling everyday with the growing competitions and dealing with rejections in life, some of them fall, while others rise and take it as a challenge.

Rejections

are not only faced in your professional life but also in your relationships and with the society. It is said that a rejection is nothing more than a necessary

step to pursuit success. Then why does rejection leave such a brutal mark on us? Is it because our expectations and fantasies are over and above?

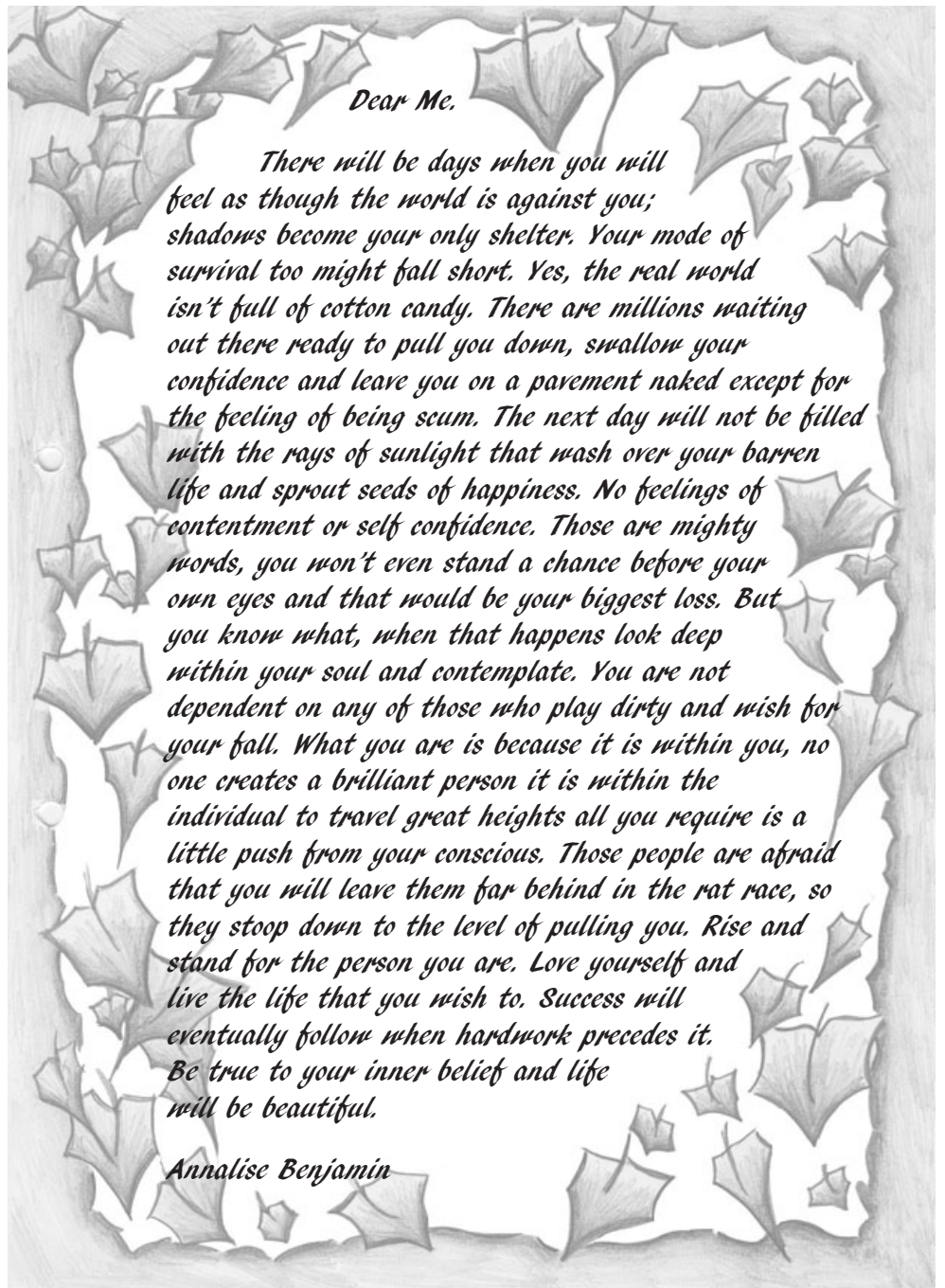
Fear of rejection is one of the deepest fear that a human deals with every time, we fear of not being accepted in this world. Every creature on the earth

is attracted towards love and attention which is biologically proven. One of the main reason for depression is rejection by the family or the society. We fear being lonely, experiencing hurt or pain which

are the causes of rejection in life. One of the major drawback of rejection is it stops a person from taking risks in life.

Isn't the same as a weary traveller in a famine, being shut out of warmth filled house, left to stare at the frigid skyline. Rejection burns and its burns hard. But without rejection we wouldn't know the acceptance that one senses absorb with affection.

by Ms. Gayatri Honawarkar





# VASCO SAPTAH

As 8<sup>th</sup> August 2016 rings in the people of Vasco and the surrounding area rise to joyful mood that springs from an enthusiastic celebration of the Vasco Saptah. It's a seven

days festival and one of the biggest celebrations in the town where whole of Vasco joins to celebrate. During the 19<sup>th</sup> century the town was hit by Plague and



The Bard by the Mandovi - Shakespeare Fest 2016 is an annual competition for School and Higher Secondary School Students. This year is 400 years since the death of William Shakespeare. The event will be marked by events and festivities.

caused major crises to the people of Vasco. The citizens of Vasco held a meeting to solve this issue and it was decided by few of them that they would visit the Damodar temple in Zambaulim. The temple priest of Zambaulim offered them a coconut as a Prasad and informed them to installed the coconut in the town. This initiative was taken by Anant Subrai Joshi in 1898 a well known citizen of Vasco, he placed the coconut in his house



and worshipped it. Their prayers were answered and the whole town was free from the disease. Lord Damodar temple in Vasco is also known as the Gramdevta ( the lord of the city) since then this day is celebrated with great pomp and joy. The whole city is lit up and there's non stop 24 hours bajan sung continuously for seven days. . Many stalls are set up in the heart of the city and it's one of biggest fair in Goa.

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