

TÄHR TĪMES

February edition





The Editorial



As we move further into the year, this February edition of Tahr Times looks back on the moments that made January memorable for our school community.

We begin by revisiting the spirit of Republic Day—a celebration that reminded us of the values of unity, responsibility, and pride that guide us both within and beyond the classroom. Adding a lighter, leisure-filled touch, this edition also features accommodation recommendations for the upcoming outing.

Creativity takes centre stage through a thoughtfully written poem by one of our students, highlighting the talent and expression that thrive within our school. We also feature some joyful (and cute) Secret Santa gifts.

Concluding this edition is a look back at the Prefects' Council Thank You Dinner held at the Ooty Club—an evening dedicated to appreciation, camaraderie, and gratitude to our seniors.

We hope this edition offers a meaningful reflection on the month gone by and sets a positive tone for the weeks ahead.

Happy reading,
Meera V
Editor-in-Chief

TAHRS' BRAINROT

1. "Even if I were poor, life would be life."
2. "My thought ran away, yaar"
3. "Don't miss your dreams, keep sleeping."

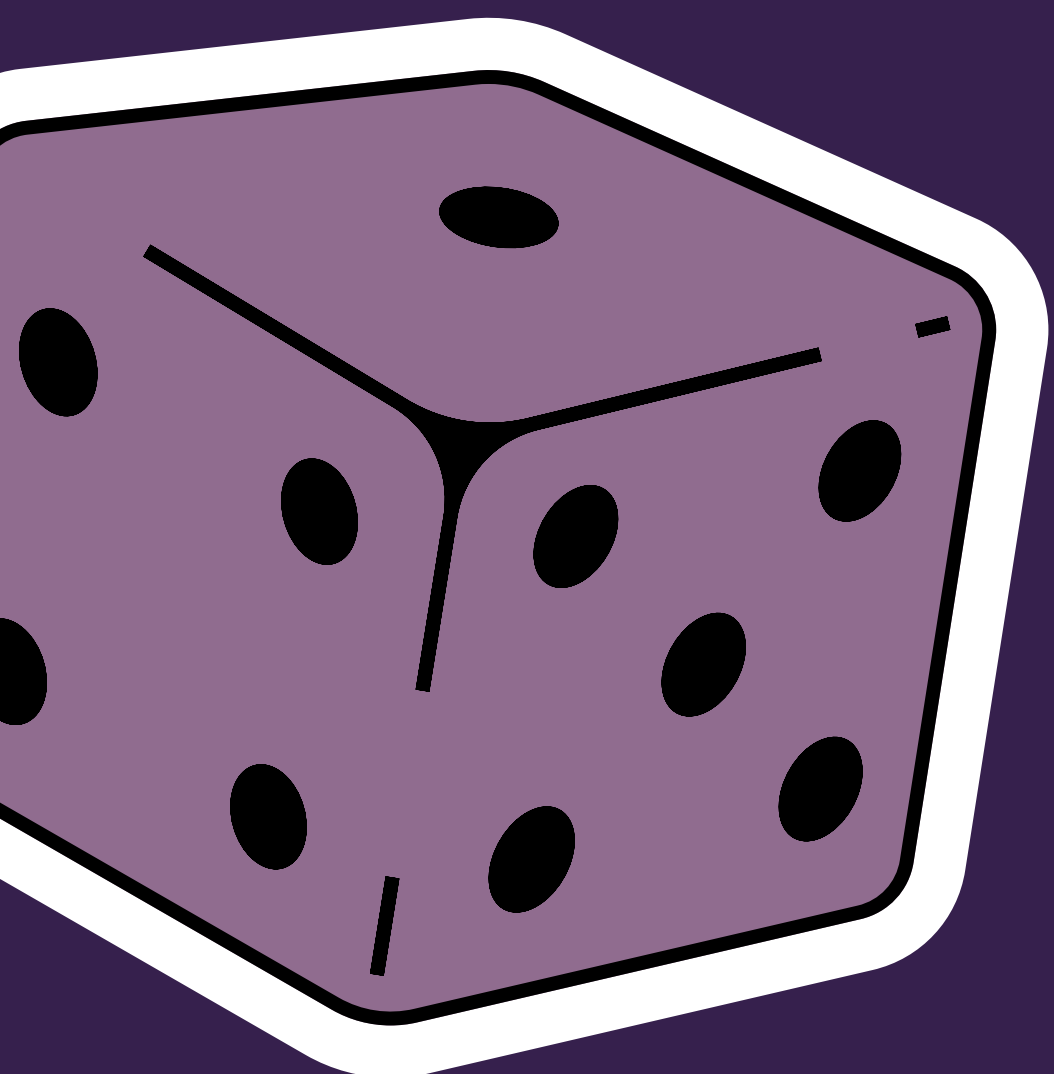
PET PARADE



Husky

Name: Ashlay
Owner: Yuvika Golas
Home: Hyderabad

How Do You PLAY SUDOKU?



Welcome shepherdian!

Sudoku is a familiar puzzle to many, yet its rules can often seem confusing at first. To provide clarity, the following guidelines explain how the game is played:

You can use the given numbers as clues to logically place the missing ones.

Each row, column, and 3 x 3 box must contain numbers from 1 to 9 without repeating any number.

Continue until the entire grid is complete and all rules are satisfied.

REPUBLIC DAY



“My participation in the 77th Republic Day celebrations was a significant experience for my self-confidence. When I heard the parade was cancelled, I was a bit disappointed that I could not show my talent in dance, but the way our school seamlessly managed to turn it into an indoor program with immense help from Dominic sir made my dream come true. As the only male dancer in the group, I initially felt out of place. However, turning that hesitation into stage presence helped me convey an important message: art and patriotism don't have a gender. The performance was not only a tribute to the nation; it was also a personal milestone in embracing my uniqueness while working as part of a team. Witnessing the basketball tournament was also very fun!” - Sriman, grade 9



TAHRS' GALLERY



Yuthika Gupta, ISC 2

“This acrylic painting presents the McDonald’s clown as more than a cheerful entertainer. While bright reds and yellows suggest joy and energy, darker tones of white, grey, and black hint at inner conflict and emotional weight. The cigar symbolises stress and unhealthy coping beneath the forced smile. Overall, the artwork suggests that those who spread happiness may be struggling silently behind their smile.”



TAHR TALKS

What 2026 Will Actually Look Like
(Part 2) - January 30, 2026

Check out the episode on Spotify or
YouTube now!

GO TAHR

1. Several staff members marked 10, 25, and 30 years of service at GSIS.
2. Students beat staff in the basketball tournament.



TAHRS' JUKEBOX

Some Gen-Z music recommendations!



A COLD PLAY - The Kid Laroi

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Oblivion - Tame Impala

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FUNNY little FEARS
DAMIANO DAVID

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POEM

Students work on the
importance of friendship.

Friends are the people
Who walk with you through the day,
From noisy classrooms
To quiet moments that stay.

They know your stories,
The good and the bad,
They laugh with you loudly
And sit with you when you're sad.

Friends share secrets
That never feel small;
They understand silence
More than words at all.

They cheer when you win,
Clap the loudest somehow,
And when things go wrong,
They're still there right now.

Friends make boring days
Feel lighter and brighter,
Turning simple minutes
Into memories that last.

They don't need perfection
Or reasons to stay;
Friends choose you daily
In their own quiet way.

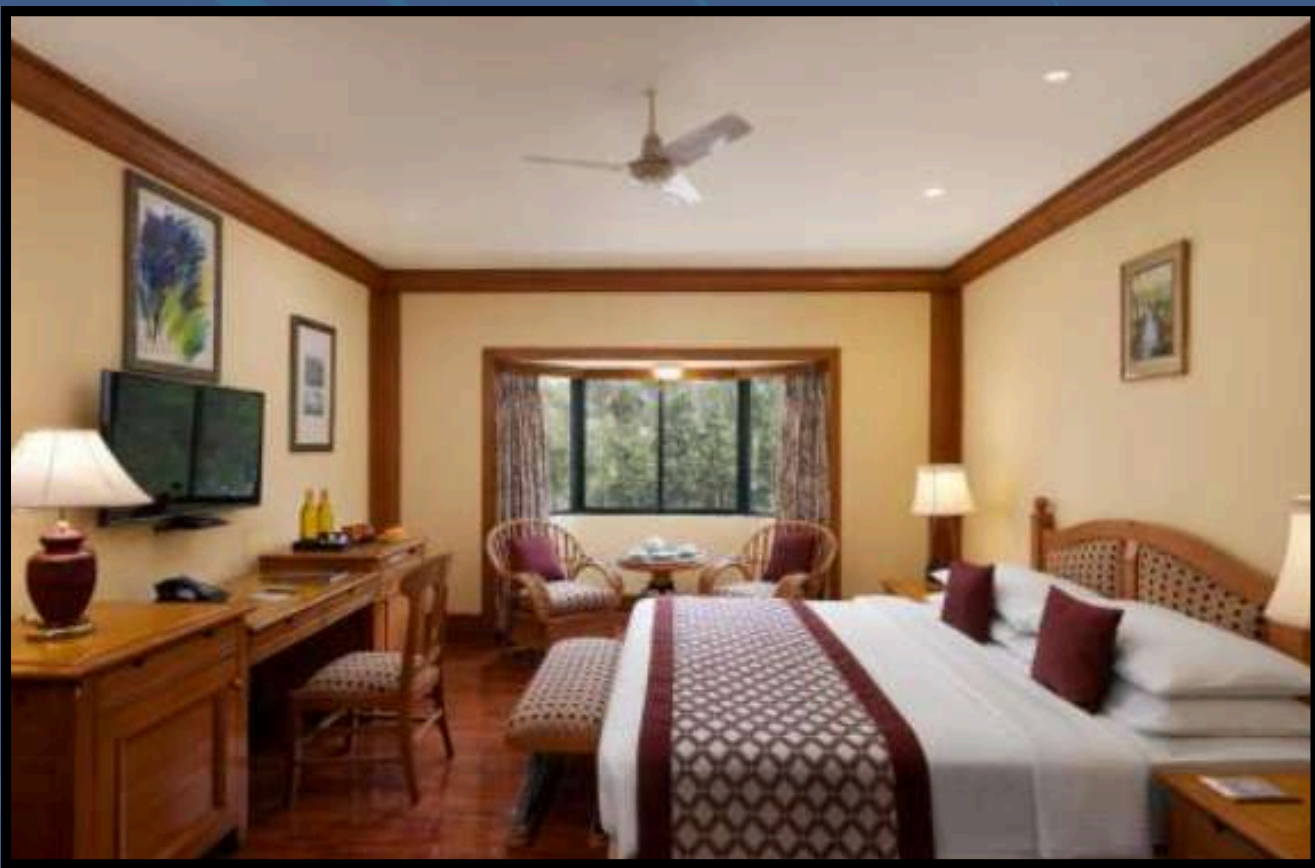
And even when time
Pulls people apart,
True friends stay close
Right inside your heart.

- Dyani, grade 7

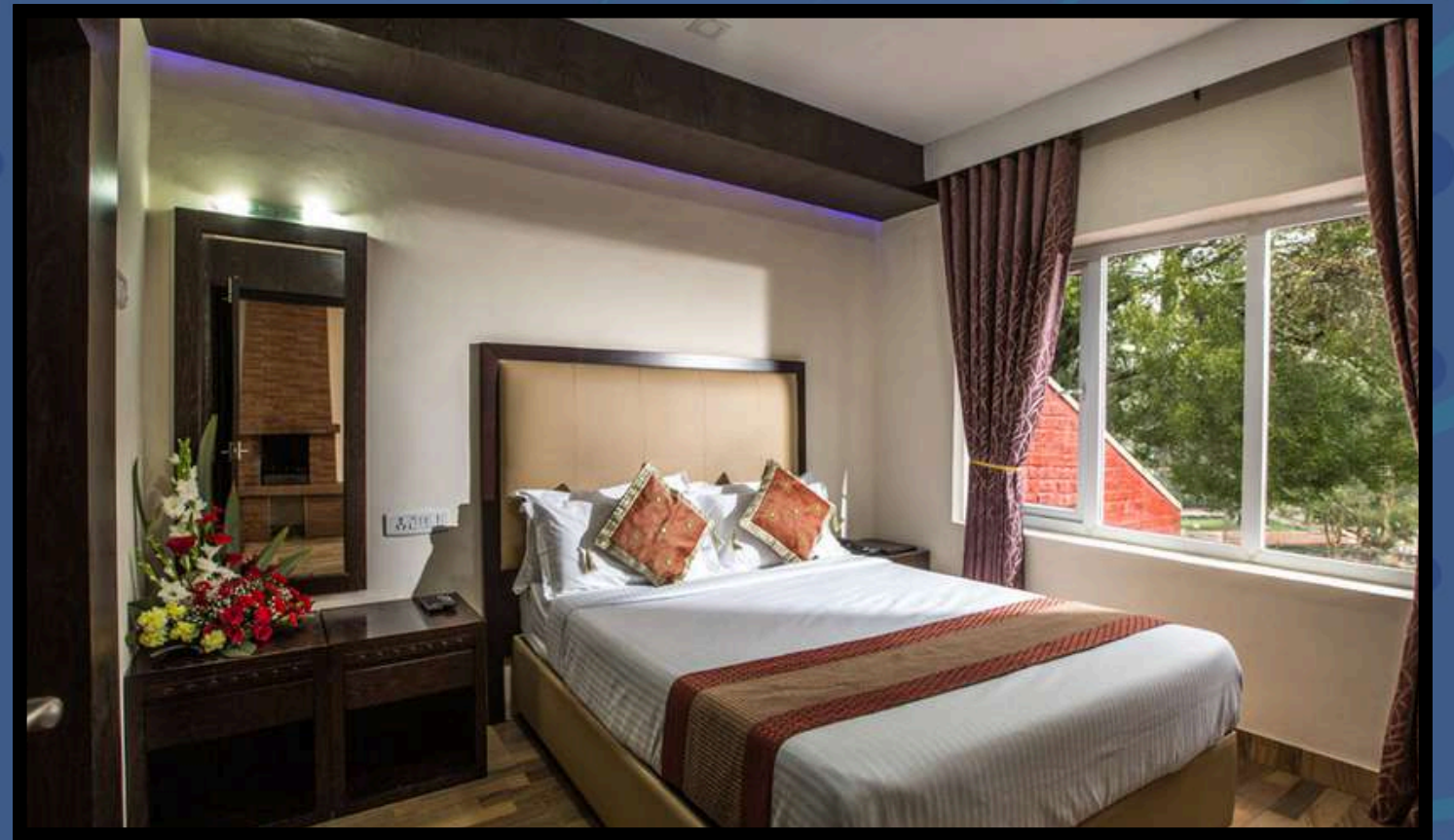
HOTEL RECOMMENDATIONS

In and around Ooty

1. Fortune Resort
Sullivan Court



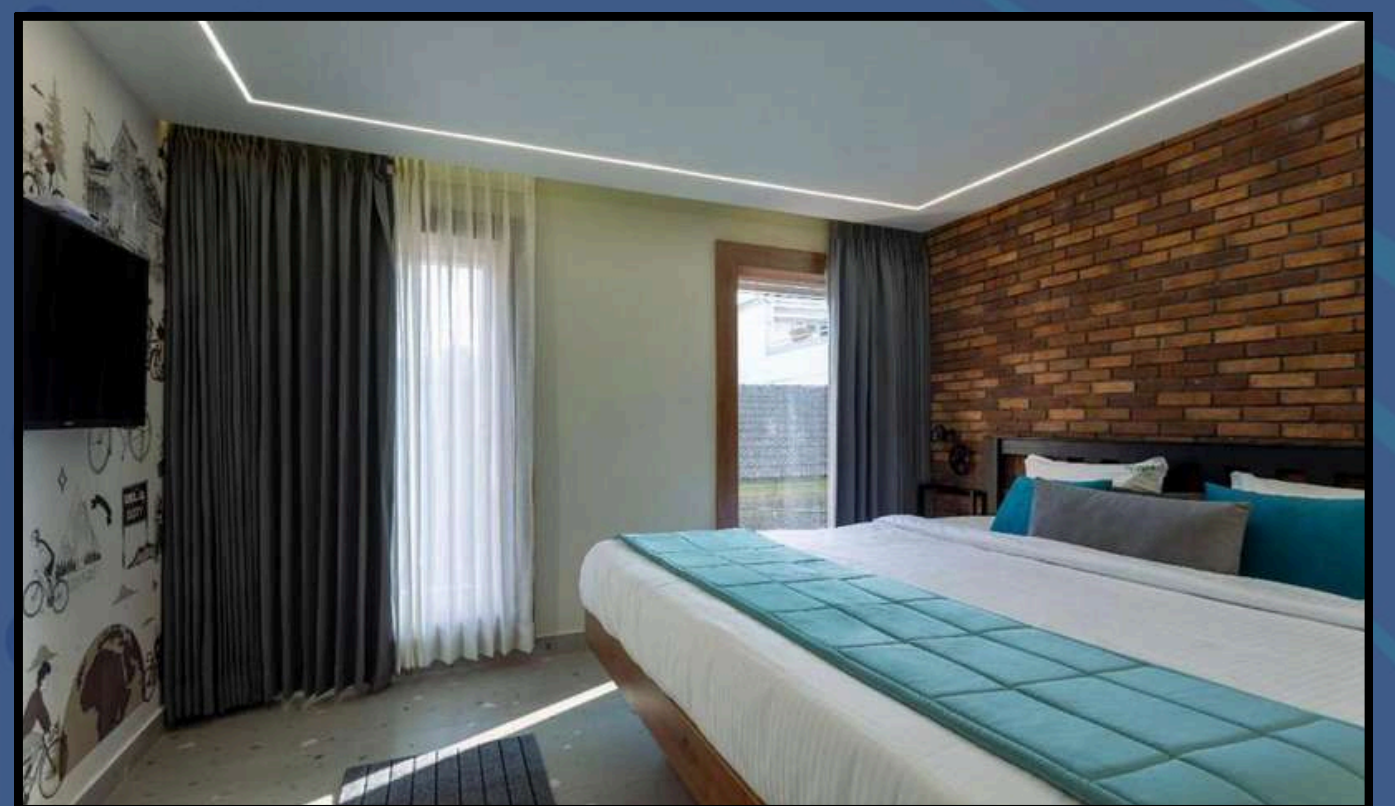
2. Hotel Lakeview



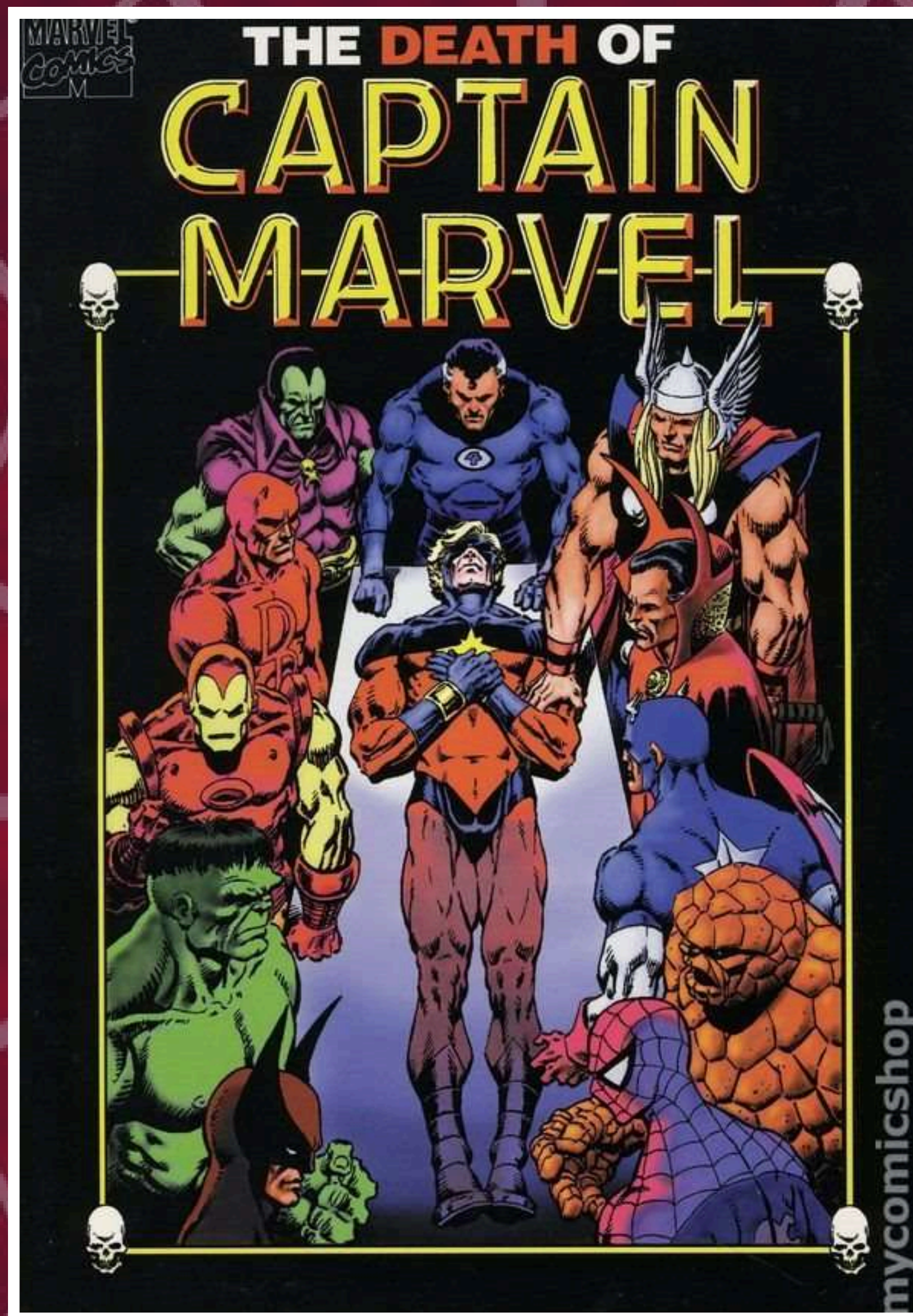
3. Accord Highland



4. Hotel Maneck Manor



TAHRS' BOOK CLUB



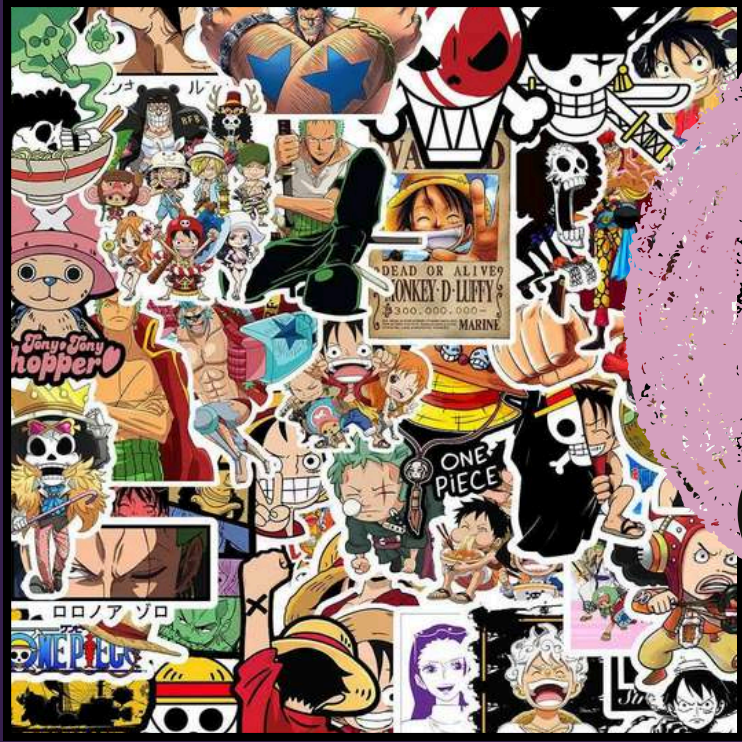
Author: Jim Starlin

Rating: 4.24

Age rating: 15+

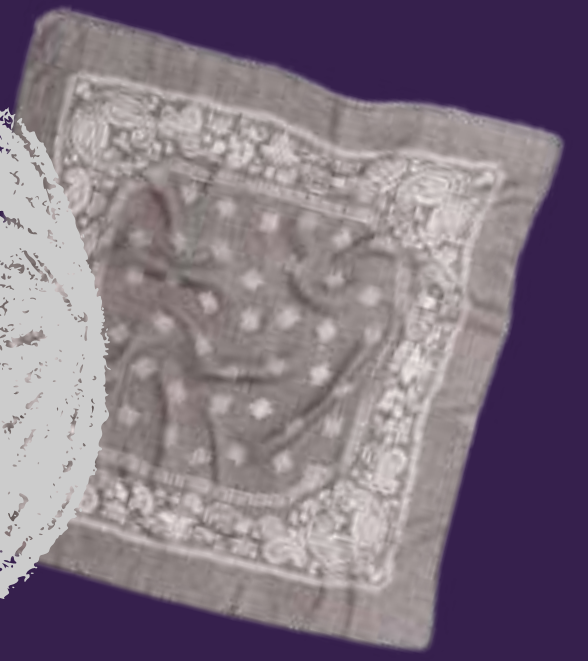
Unlike most superhero stories, *The Death of Captain Marvel* follows Mar-Vell as he faces his greatest enemy—not a villain, but a terminal illness. As Earth's heroes gather around him, the story explores courage, friendship, loss, and acceptance. Powerful and emotional, this graphic novel shows that true heroism lies in facing the inevitable with dignity and strength.

SECRET SANTA SPOTLIGHTS



Sticker pack:
Maanya for
Prisha
(Grade 7)

Bandana:
Anav for Dev
(Grade 9)



Neon socks:
Aradhana for
Yana
(Grade 10)



Pop Mart
Dolls: Aarnavi
for Shanaya,
(Grade 9)



PREFECTS' COUNCIL 2025-26 DINNER

“I step down as School Captain with deep gratitude and pride. This journey has been one of growth, teamwork, and reflection, made meaningful by the support of the council, our peers, and the ACM. I’m proud of what we accomplished together and hope our work continues to inspire future councils to lead with integrity and purpose.”
- Hridaan, Boys School Captain

“My journey as school captain has been filled with learning, laughter, and teamwork. I’m deeply thankful for everyone who made this experience so meaningful. As I sign off, I hope our work continues to inspire the new team as they strive to raise the bar higher.” - Kyna, Girls School Captain

“As I step down as Sports Captain, I leave with deep gratitude for everything GSIS has given me, both on and off the field. I hope the school continues to strengthen its sporting culture through consistent inter-school participation within Ooty, giving more students the confidence to represent GSIS. With this strong foundation, I believe the school can gradually expand into larger tournaments, aspire towards nationals, and even host its own inter-school cups. I’ll always be proud of the values, discipline, and spirit that GSIS sports have shaped in me.”
- Reenav, Games Captain

VALENTINE'S DAY, REWRITTEN

Written by Aradhana and Vedika

Valentine's Day is usually advertised as The Day of Romance. But let's be real: that's only one tiny version of what the day can actually be about. Valentine's Day isn't just for couples; it is also about friends, family, and even yourself (yes, you count).

Every year in mid-February, there's this unspoken pressure that Valentine's Day must involve romance, or it somehow "doesn't count." But love isn't limited to one category. Friends who hype you up, family members who always have your back, and moments where you just chill and recharge are just as valid as any dramatic romantic gesture.

Valentine's Day is really about appreciating love in its most dependable form: family. They're the ones who show up without conditions, support you on your worst days, and still claim you proudly no matter what. While trends change every year, family stays constant: a little chaotic, sometimes annoying, but always real. Celebrating Valentine's Day with family isn't boring or uncool; it's recognising the people who loved you first and love you longest, without needing a reminder or a rose to do it.

Moreover, things like Galentine's Day exist because friendships deserve the spotlight, too. It's basically Valentine's Day, but upgraded: no pressure, no expectations, just people who actually know you and still choose to hang out with you. Friends are the ones who hype you up, humble you when needed, and stick around without needing a calendar reminder. Celebrating friendships is a reminder that some of the strongest, funniest, and most reliable relationships in our lives aren't romantic at all. Honestly, they deserve appreciation not just for one day, but all year long.

At the end of the day, sometimes appreciating the people who matter, friends, family, or yourself, is more than enough. That's what actually makes the day meaningful. So, Valentine's Day isn't just about romance. It's about all kinds of love, in whatever form works for you. Celebrate it your way, or don't celebrate it at all. Either way, you're doing it right.



HOROSCOPE

ARIES



Leadership rises this month. Be bold, but let patience guide your moves.

TAURUS



Stability supports you now. Trust slow progress—it's leading to success.

GEMINI



Balance is tested, clarity follows. Choose what aligns with your values.

CANCER



New ideas and conversations open doors. Focus your energy wisely.

LEO



Emotions fuel your strength. Protect your peace when needed.

VIRGO



The spotlight follows you. Confidence wins, humility keeps it.

LIBRA



Planning pays off. Small details lead to big results.

SCORPIO



Intensity brings power. Trust instincts and move quietly.

SAGITTARIUS



Adventure calls. Explore, but stay responsible.

CAPRICORN



Your efforts get noticed. Consistency builds something strong.

AQUARIUS



Innovation is your strength. Think bold and stay authentic.

PISCES



Intuition guides you. Reflection brings quiet confidence.

UPCOMING EVENTS

in February

Trojan Basketball Cup - 2nd to 6th



Trojan Tennis Cup - 2nd to 5th



Investiture & Graduation
Ceremonies & Outing - 21st

