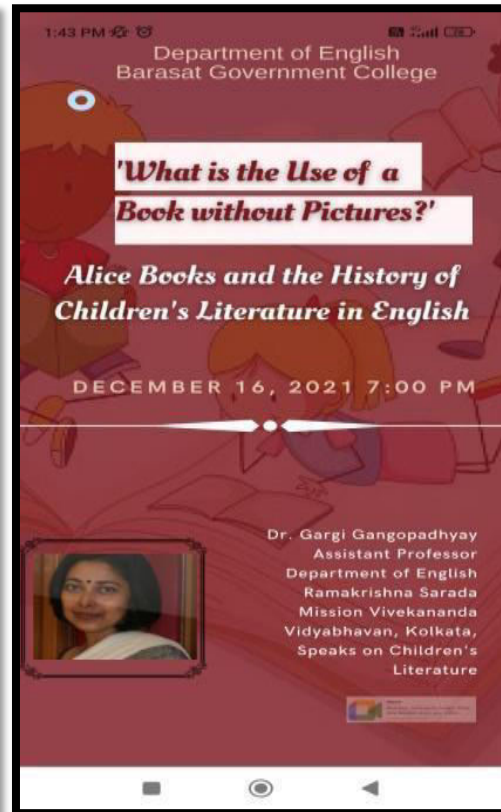
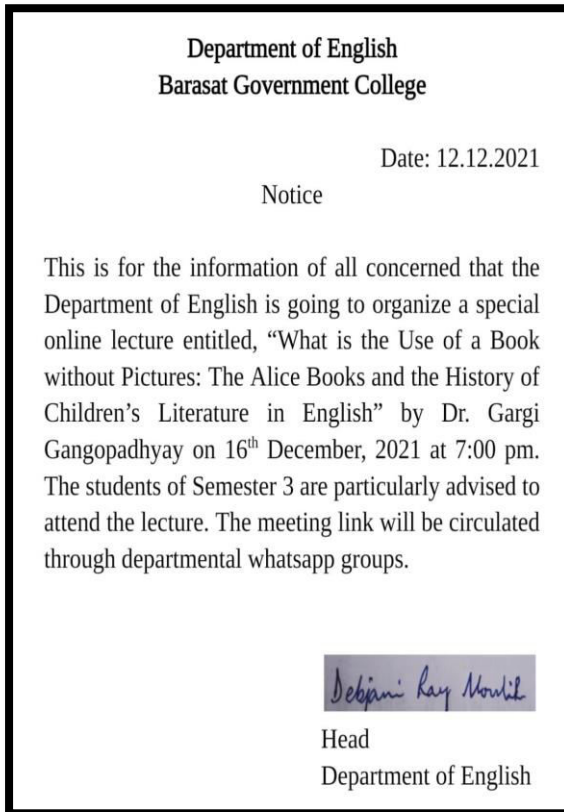


## Special Lecture: “What is the Use of a Book without Pictures? The Alice Books and the History of Children’s Literature in English”

**Speaker:** Dr. Gargi Gangopadhyay, Department of English, Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyamandir

**Date:** 16.12.21




**Introduction:** This special lecture was aimed at giving the students a broad overview of the development of Children's Literature in English during the Nineteenth Century as a supplement to their reading of Lewis Carroll's *Through the Looking Glass*.

**Brief Report:** The speaker outlined the history of Children's Literature and also discussed how illustrations played an important role in children's books and the subtexts that these pictures hold specifically in the case of the Alice books. The numerous pictures she showed the students along with the engaging lecture made it an enjoyable talk. The programme was attended by 36 students whose understanding of the Alice novels was greatly enhanced by this illuminating discourse.

**History of Childhood**

Philippe Aries in his book *Centuries of Childhood* (1960) forwards his theory about the 'discovery of childhood' in the 17<sup>th</sup> C.

'It was in the seventeenth century that portraits of children on their own became numerous and commonplace. It was in the seventeenth century that the family portrait, a much older genre, tended to plan it self around the child.' (46-47)



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