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## JUNE TO OCTOBER 2023

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents,

As educators, we have the opportunity of having both Gen Z and Gen Alpha students together now at school. Gen Alpha is the first generation to experience remote classrooms and streaming services from early childhood. They are all likely to be affected by the emerging use of Artificial Intelligence. (Do your children use ChatGPT to do their homework?!)

It is interesting to observe these digital natives. We are intrigued and challenged by their strong sense of individuality, expertise at technology, openness and adaptive nature and other skills.

We at Lakshmi, are putting our heads together to come up with ways to make learning interesting for students by using means and tools that interest them. We understand that though they have information at their fingertips, they must be taught to sort through the loads of information, view it critically, and choose authentic and valuable information. As they have easy and free access to information, making them "self learners" is also essential.

The most important thing that they need support in, is, Social Emotional Learning (SEL). Honing their SEL skills will create positive home and school climates and prepare them for life. While we are doing our bit, I would request parents to help with SEL by teaching your children and allowing them to make age appropriate decisions, giving them responsibilities, and also motivating them with positive strokes. A little help with SEL, and they will thrive in their personal lives and also contribute to the society.

The first term was very vibrant and productive, and I eagerly look forward to the next.

Wishing you all a very happy festive season and hoping to see you during functions and celebrations at school.



Ms. P. Subhashini Principal



- 5<sup>th</sup> Parent Orientation for Classes V, VII, VIII & IX
- 6<sup>th</sup> Parent Orientation for Classes IV & VI
- 7<sup>th</sup> Parent Orientation for Class I
- 8 th Parent Orientation for Class II , III
- 14<sup>th</sup>- Parent Orientation for UKG
- 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>- Parent Orientation for PS1
  - & Field Trip to ISRO for Class XII Students
- 25<sup>th</sup> Parent Orientation for Classes X & XII
- 27<sup>th</sup> Field Trip to Gandhi Museum for Class II
- 30 <sup>th</sup> Investiture Ceremony

7<sup>th</sup> - Anbu House Variety Show

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JUNE

- 14<sup>th</sup> Taekwondo Regional Tournament & Aram House Variety Show
- 18<sup>th</sup> Field Trip to Keezhadi for Class X
- 21<sup>st</sup> ASISC Zonal Literary Events hosted in Lakshmi School
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Intramurals for Class X & Variety Show for Class V
- 25<sup>th</sup> Field Trip to Agriculture college for Class III
- 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Outward Bound Camp to Thekkady for Classes VIII D, E, F
- 27 <sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Outward Bound Camp to Thekkady for Classes VIII A, B, C
- 28<sup>th</sup> Inter house Tamil Skit
- 30<sup>th</sup> Parent Orientation for Class XI
- 31<sup>st</sup> Geography Forum for class VII on Cyclone





- 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fieldtrip to Kalaignar Library
- 4<sup>th</sup> Arivu House Variety Show
- 15<sup>th</sup> Independence Day and Sports Day
- 18<sup>th</sup> Visit to HCL for ISC Computer Students & Inter House Singing Competition
- 23 rd Interact Club Installation
- 28<sup>th</sup> Onam celebration,Pet Show for Class III & Arul House Variety Show
- 26<sup>th</sup> Inter House Quiz Competition & Mother's Club Meeting for Classes IX and XI
- 30<sup>th</sup> Live Book Session for Classes XI and XII
- 31<sup>st</sup> Food Fest for Classes II and III





- 5<sup>th</sup> Teachers' Day Celebration
- 9<sup>th</sup> Inter house English Skit
- 14<sup>th</sup> Grandparents' Day LKG
- 15  $^{\rm th}\,$  MOM and I for UKG
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Mothers Club meeting for Classes IV, V & Grandparents' Day for PS1
- 29<sup>th</sup> Field Trip to Kalaignar Library for Class V
- 30 <sup>th</sup> Mothers Club meeting for PS1, UKG, Class I & Inter House Dance Competition

3<sup>rd</sup> - Term I Exam for Classes IX & X 7<sup>th</sup> - Variety Show for Class III

9<sup>th</sup> - Term I Exam for Classes VI, VII, VII, XI & XII

**OCTOBER** 

# Journey to the Nationals: A Report on the ASISC Literary Competitions



I am delighted to share the thrilling journey my fellow students and I embarked on, from the ASISC Zonals for Literary Events to our upcoming adventure at the National level. It all started on July 21, 2023, at Vikasa School in Tuticorin.

The ASISC Zonals for Literary Events was an opportunity for young talents to shine. The event encompassed various categories, and our Lakshmi School participants emerged victorious in all of them. Here is a list of the winners of our school.

#### Painting:

Anand Krishnan secured the first prize in the senior category.

Rion and Manya kamal claimed the second prize in the junior and sub-junior category respectively. **Debate:** 

Aishwarya Meena and Ramasamy clinched the first prize in the junior category, with Aishwarya also receiving recognition as the Best speaker.

Bharath and Nitin dominated the senior category, securing the first prize, and Bharath was honored as the Best speaker.

#### Declamation:

I was proud to secure the first place in the senior category.

Aaradhna and Armaan made us proud with a first place finish in the junior and sub-junior categories respectively.

#### **Creative Writing:**

In the senior category, Manasa secured the third position.

Elaida and Neeraja wowed everyone with their writing skills, winning the first prize in junior and sub-junior categories respectively.

Following our triumph at the zonal level, we eagerly prepared for the regional competition, which took place at The Grove School in Chennai on August 25, 2023. The competition at the regional level was fierce, with numerous schools vying for the top spots.

Here are the highlights of our achievements at the regional level:

Armaan continued his winning streak by securing the first place in Declamation in the sub-junior category.

I was ecstatic to secure the first place in Declamation in the senior category.

Jaiwant and Harshvardhan teamed up to claim the second place in the Quiz competition in the sub-junior category.

Harisaran and Sai Girish made us proud with a third-place finish in the Quiz competition in the senior category.

The standout moment came when Armaan and I were selected to represent our school at the National level. The Nationals are scheduled to be held at XIM University in Bhubaneshwar, Odisha, on November 4th and 5th, 2023. We are determined to bring laurels to our school and make everyone proud. This journey has been nothing short of inspiring, filled with dedication, hard work, and the unwavering support of our school and teachers. We are thankful for this opportunity and are excited to compete at the national level.

#### 'The Art of Kicking and Punching' [Taekwondo]



Taekwondo is a widely known martial art originating from Korea. Owing to its popularity, an interschool Taekwondo competition is held every year which is very popular among Taekwondo aspirants. This year, we were very proud that Lakshmi school was chosen to host the prestigious event. Our school team had some of the finest handpicked fighters. The whole team was determined to win. The participants from other schools came from various parts of the state and were all trained very well. In fact most of them were players who have been training for years. Our team on the other hand was just kids with intermediate training who had high hopes and aspirations. Even with minimal practice, our team nailed it. They exceeded everyone's expectations. Win after win, it was truly a proud moment for us Lakshmians. Taekwondo is not for the faint hearted. It takes a lot of courage to step on the mat and show off your skills but our team did it effortlessly and flawlessly. Every kick, every punch was executed with perfect precision. The kicks were delivered vigorously. We rattled our opponents guite a bit. The team surely couldn't have done it without the guidance of our teacher Mr.Narasimma, the support of the physical education teachers and other staff and mainly the encouragement of fellow teammates. Even though we did have a few losses, the enthusiasm remained the same. No matter the outcome of the match, our teammates kept comforting each other. In the end, they really proved that teamwork makes the dream work. Even though all of us are separated now, the bond we created will continue to live on.

Kanishkaa K, XI B

#### **ASISC Literary Competitions**

Our school hosted the prestigious ASISC Zonal literary competitions on the 21st of July 2023. The participants from different schools all over Tamilnadu arrived with excitement and anticipation. The student volunteers escorted the participants to their respective venues. The participants of each event were divided into three categories, namely the sub junior (classes VI, VII and VIII), the junior (classes IX and X) and the senior (classes XI and XII). A series of events were conducted - debate, declamation, creative writing, painting and quiz. The debate was a contest of ideas which promoted innovative thinking among the students. The participants of declamation delivered astounding excerpts from speeches. Students brought the best out of their imaginative minds through writing essays in creative writing. Painting participants filled their papers with their aesthetic art. The quiz was a thought-provoking mind game. As we had some time to kill after lunch before the results were out, the participants were taken on a walk around the school. A number of prizes were won by students from different schools. A few of them even had tears of joy in their eyes. The day ended with smiles and pleasure.

#### My Experience on the ISRO Trip



ISRO, abbreviated as Indian Space Research Organization, is a paradise for science lovers to visit and embrace the 'rocket-ish' atmosphere over there. We started from our school, on our travel buses. It was a great time of fun with our friends vibing to good songs and singing it in chorus. We literally travelled for twelve hours, but time went fast for us as we enjoyed ourselves with our friends. Then we reached our resort, Hotel SRM Grandeurs, found in Tada, Andhra Pradesh. We had never been to such a hotel with all our friends as a gang. The movies we watched, and the cricket we played with sponge ball and writing pad, it was all a great time. We also used our intercoms and pranked each other by faking our voices! Then moving on, in the morning, we got to leave to the ISRO's Sathish Dawan Space Centre (SDSC SHAR), found in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh. First, we went to see a documentary clip of ISRO's history and achievements from the start. Mr. Kumar was the Senior Librarian, who was with us for the whole visit inside SDSC, ISRO. He explained everything well with great interest. We were terribly eager to see Chandraayan-3, but sadly we didn't get to see it. Moving on, we were amazed by visiting the Space Museum, which consisted of data and information on the categories of Space, Launch Vehicles, Satellites, Missions of ISRO, etc. Furthermore, we got to see the greatest place ever in SDSC - The MCC, abbreviated as Mission Control Centre. All of us might have seen it only on TVs and in images. When we saw it there in front of our eyes, we were stunned by the colossal screen which displays tons of data. It is the place where great officials of India like the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, ISRO Chairman, and many of them watch the launches live. Finally, we were shown the main hero of the ISRO, the Launchpads! It was a boon to see such large launchpads with a massive height of 70 meters and 90 meters. SDSC has two launchpads to use. We feel fully satisfied on visiting ISRO's SDSC because it was a great experience. We students are grateful to our school and ISRO for helping us gain good knowledge and great experience about the Space Sector.

#### Mohit B, XII B

#### **Cheers to the New Leaders**

Every new beginning gives a new set of opportunities and vast experience. For this year the students of Lakshmi School were sieved and leaders were chosen from among them.

Investiture ceremony for the academic year 2023-2024 commenced with pomp and splendour at Lakshmi School on June 30, 2023. The event started with welcoming the chief guest Mr. Narenthiran Nayar, IPS, the commissioner of Madurai with loud roaring claps. It was followed by an explanation of how the student council members of the school were selected. The honourable chief guest of the day was kind enough to share his experience of success, life skills and answered few questions raised by the students. The next agenda of the day was awarding the stripes to the leaders. Every council member held their heads high and marched towards the centre. The badging ceremony was carried out by chief guest Mr. Narenthiran Nayar, Principal academic co-ordinators, Ms.Subhashini, Vice Principals, HODs, housemasters and housemistresses of the respective houses. The oath-taking ceremony was led by our Principal. I, the cultural secretary and the other office bearers pledged to discharge our duties to the best of our ability and uphold the glory and honour of the institution. It ended with God's blessing and a motivational song sung by the school choir. The elated parents and students cheered the new council members with applause. The vote of thanks was given by the school captain and the programme concluded with the National Anthem.

Nitin Hardhik K, XI C (Cultural Secretary)



Over the weekend, students at Lakshmi School had the opportunity to engage in a variety of exciting and educational activities. These activities were designed to stimulate various aspects of a child's development, from logical thinking to creativity and cultural awareness.

#### 1. Pattern Challenge (Logical Thinking and Coding):

One of the weekend challenges involved drawing patterns and asking children to replicate them using blocks. This activity not only encouraged logical thinking but also introduced the concept of coding through pattern recognition and replication. It fostered problemsolving skills and provided a fun way to learn.

#### 2. Bubble Play and Photo Sharing:

Another delightful challenge was to have students play with bubbles, capture moments through photos, and share them in a group.

This activity promoted social interaction, creativity, and a sense of community among the children. It also provided an opportunity for parents and children to bond over shared experiences.

#### 3. Pillayar Idol Crafting and Pooja:

In a cultural and creative endeavor, children were given the task of crafting their own Pillayar (Ganesha) idol from clay, with the guidance of their parents.

They then took these idols home and performed a special pooja (ritual) for them. This activity helped children connect with their cultural heritage and instilled a sense of responsibility and spirituality.

#### 4. Sorting Challenge:

To enhance their organizational skills, children were asked to sort various objects, toys, or vessels. This task encouraged them to categorize items based on different criteria, promoting cognitive development and orderliness.

#### 5. Family Tree Project:

Lastly, students were given the opportunity to draw a family tree and stick photos of their family members onto it. This exercise allowed children to explore their family history, fostering a sense of identity and belonging.

In conclusion, these weekend challenges at Lakshmi School aimed to provide a wellrounded educational experience that goes beyond the classroom. They encouraged creativity, logical thinking, cultural appreciation, and personal development. We look forward to seeing the growth and learning that these activities will bring to our students.

#### Feedback on Class III "Variety Show"



Finally, the day had arrived which we as parents were eagerly waiting for. All we could hear for the past two weeks is our daughter Aadya talking about the Charlie & the Chocolate factory!

On the day of the event when we reached the venue, we could see the entire MPH filled with parents who were enthusiastically waiting to see their children perform. It was indeed nostalgic as we parents had grown up watching the movie 'Charlie & the Chocolate Factory!'

Lakshmi school is known for its discipline & punctuality and the show started at sharp 10:30 am. The event began with a beautiful prayer, followed by a welcome address. As we all had our eyes set on the stage, we had an opportunity to witness the dance performance by our little friends. The beauty of the event was the connectivity between all the programmes and the exquisite way in which the theme was showcased. The students put in a great performance.

We were amazed by the enthusiasm and passion displayed by the students, coordinators & the teachers. As parents, we could feel the hard work of many weeks that the teachers& children have put in for the show. Overall it was a spectacular show!

#### DivyaMrinal, Parent of Aadhya

#### Val-Ed Initiative – Short Film

The short film competition was announced on Thursday (03.08.2023) by our beloved English teacher Ms. Siva Ramya. The topic was "Flashback 1947". My team and I were so excited to create a masterpiece. But, the only thorn pointing in our way was TIME. We had to submit the film by Monday(07.08.2023). We also had our unit test - 2 on Monday. My friends were really hesitant to come home on Saturday and Sunday to shoot the scenes. I thought for hours and hours. Finally, I finished writing our short film script by 10:30pm. I sent it to all my friends despite the fact that it was late night. I called everyone and informed them about their roles, costumes and props that was supposed to be brought. I got prior permission from our Principal mam to shoot the scenes in our school. I had mixed feelings at that time. I was excited to bring my idea into reality. I was also tensed if my team would bring the items that they were supposed to bring. As I expected, some brought and some didn't. Yet, we adjusted and shot the required scenes. I spent half a day in editing and finished the work. Ramya mam was stunned to see how the scenes shot in the school were transformed into a national award-winning short film. I submitted the film and waited till August 12. With the help of my school, my friends and family, it was possible for us to achieve the people's choice award. My team and I were so happy to receive such an amazing award. I am indebted to my team and the school for giving me the opportunity to participate and support me all the way right from enrolling us to sending YouTube video link to all class groups to like it. Thank you

#### **My First Sports Day Experience**



We celebrated Sports Day on August 15 in our school. For the first time in my schooling, I got an opportunity to participate in the Sports Day. I was very excited and eagerly waiting for the day because it will be my first experience to participate in the parade and also to see the Flag hoisting in person in my school. I belong to Aram house. Aram house won the second place in the march-past and 3rd at the athletic events. The overall shield went to Anbu house. They not only were winners at the athletic events but also at the march-past. I was very happy and enjoyed well during our sports day. Fortunately it was not sunny on that day, so I enjoyed the ceremony in the shade of the shamiana tent. I had a wonderful time witnessing the colorful drills performed by students with great zeal and co-ordination. This first sports day experience of mine will stay evergreen in my memories.

Ashwanthsankar S, IV E

**Think Before Letting it Drip - Live Book Session** 

I, along with my classmates from class XI and my seniors from class XII, attended a live book session based on water conservation. The chief speaker invited for the session was Mr. Venkatesan, the Head of Vayalagam Foundation, an organization promoting sustainable agriculture and most importantly, water conservation. The session started by 10:30 AM and Mr. Venkatesan briefly reminded us of the need for water conservation and ways to do so. His speech was powerful and reminded us of how water is the very essence of life. This speech was shortly followed by a question and answer session.

Mr. Venkatesan answered all of them without hesitation. His answers shed light on topics that had never been touched before, related to how sustainable agriculture can be achieved simultaneously with water conservation. In short, the Question and Answer session was really informative. After the session, he called students to the stage who had answered his questions before, during the speech. He gifted them with books on Tamil literature and congratulated them, with a raucous and appreciative applause by the students shortly after. He then introduced his colleagues from the Vayalagam Foundation and surprised many of us by just revealing the humongous number of people who work hard to ensure better conservation of water. After this inspiring moment, our honourable Principal Ms. Subhashini congratulated his efforts and gave him a memento as a token of our love and respect. The session definitely reminded us to be more careful towards our use of water and inspired us to help people who are facing these problems.



Recently, my school took the Nature Club students on a trip to Madakulam Lake. It was for a Bird watching session with Mr. Karthikeyan, the resource person who is an Environmentalist. We were very excited to learn new facts about birds. He first educated us on the importance of nature and how we should protect it. He told us the names of various types of trees and plants. We then observed different kinds of birds with binoculars and we learned their names. For example, there was a bird named Eurasian Morgan. This was the first time we all had heard of this bird. We learned over 41 types of birds. It was a very informative session and our guide was very friendly with us. We enjoyed the trip as it was fun to discover new types of birds.

Overall the whole session was a good initiative taken by our school. Our guide, Mr. Karthikeyan gifted our school his first book on nature called 'Narungkadambu'. The session came to an end once our guide left. We were sad that the session had been completed but hoped that we would go on another trip to learn more about our lovely Mother Nature.

Aparnaa V, VII C

#### **Reading between the Lines**

We were taken to The American College on the 7th July, 2023 to witness 'Reading between the Lines' by Jerry Pinto. As the program began, we were first filled in on who Jerry Pinto was, we were told about Mr. Pinto's accomplishments in the literary world, his work as a humanitarian, etc. We were also briefly informed about his past and how he became an author. Mr. Jerry Pinto was very friendly with us. He spoke about the importance of finding ourself, exploring new things, the beauty of Indian literature. He even made us recite the poem 'Fire and Ice' by Robert Frost with him. He made the programme very interactive and engaging. He gave us tips on how to write. He mentioned "Reading plants seeds in our minds making it fertile soil." He spoke to us for about an hour and then it was our turn to ask questions. He answered our questions precisely and very patiently. He gave us tips on how to improve our reading skills, our time management skills and even shared things about himself. After the programme ended, we were taken to a hall where they had displayed books and papers written, edited and even translated by Jerry Pinto. I was in awe as I looked at the books. I really enjoyed the program and am very happy that I was chosen to participate in such an event. It was really informative, interactive and very inspirational to me.



The students of class VI went to the Kalaignar Centenary library as a field trip on the third of August 2023. This library is located near Race Course stadium, Madurai and is built on 2,13,338 square feet at a cost of 120.75 crore. 3.3 Lakh books are available to read in this library. Books in various languages and play books for kids were covered over the 6 floors of the Kalaignar library.

A wise man once said 'If you have a library, you have everything you need'. The Kalaignar Centenary library is a very informative place according to me. At least it should be visited once in a week. It is an absolute delight for readers of all ages.

Vishvak P, VI C

#### Field Trip To Kalaignar Centenary Library, Madurai

I am a fan of comic books. I was happy to find my favourite collection of comics when I visited Kalaignar Library on 29th of september 2023. Thousands of people thronged into this library. This library is a boon to the entire state not just to Madurai. It is also called as South Asia's biggest library. Entering the library, I got to see the art gallery where the vintage photos of Madurai were displayed.

I admit that the library has books for everyone. While my friends were busy checking the books in the children's section, I was in another section checking for encyclopaedia books. I was impressed with the interactive section. I was excited to see the model of Chandrayaan-3 in the children's theatre. I felt that it was the real Chandrayaan-3. The library has a multi purpose hall and an auditorium. I will definitely visit the library again.

JishnuVaradhan K, V B

#### The Search For Every Brilliant Thing

On 11 August 2023, twelve of us from class XI accompanied by our English teachers went to the American college to witness a play named "EVERY BRILLIANT THING". This play took a compassionate approach towards suicidal depressions. It portrayed the experience of a seven year old boy, who, on seeing his mother's suicidal attempts tries to make a numbered list of "EVERY BRILLIANT THING" which made life worth living, in an attempt to make his mother feel better. The brilliant things were printed in a pamphlet along with numbers in the list and were given to us when we entered the hall. We were amazed after seeing the handwritten list of Every Brilliant Thing he mentioned. After the play, we had an interactive session with a psychiatrist about the importance of mental health and wellbeing. This was indeed a special experience for us.



The Value education classes that we have this academic year has taught me good values like integrity, courage, kindness and value for money. One of the interesting topics which we learnt recently is to differentiate our needs and wants. In the Needs and Wants activity, we listed out the items we have bought in a month and identified the things that come under our needs and wants. This gave us the clarity of our needs and wants and also helped us to identify the areas where we spend our money unnecessarily. In another activity, we framed the class constitution. It was indeed mind-blowing because we brain stormed along with our value education teacher about our dream classroom and framed the laws that are to be followed.

Along with our academics, we enjoy Value Education class as well. To be honest, we eagerly wait for the class every week. It is not only because it carries interesting tasks, but also that it helps us become better individuals.

Jiyaa Shri P, V D

**My Educational Trip** 

On August 18, 2023, my friends and I went to an iron tool making industry at Thirupuvanam. It was an educational trip organised by our Social Studies teachers. It was a half an hour drive from our school. While we were on the way,

We saw some beautiful scenic places which were lush green and looked serene and tranquil. As we reached there, I was amazed to see a lot of iron tool making shops and each shop had a lot of cardboard sickles for decoration. We went in and saw how they were smithing sickles, knives and various other tools. We asked them questions about their trade for which they happily answered. We also asked them about their skills, creations and lifestyle. I really enjoyed this trip a lot. It helped me understand my lessons in Social Studies better. It also made me understand the dignity of labour.

Vashnietha S, V E

**Variety Show** 

Firstly, I am thankful to my school and teachers for giving me an opportunity to participate in the variety show. The theme of our variety show was 'Colors' and i was participating in the Clown Dance. I was both happy and nervous to perform in front of the audience but when my teachers appreciated me for my performance, it gave me the confidence to participate in more such events. I am lucky to be here in Lakshmi School, where I got my very first chance to perform on stage. I was really on cloud nine when my variety show performance was appreciated. Hoping to go ahead with the same spirit in the upcoming years too.



#### **Gender Equality**

In a world of colours so rich and diverse, Where people's stories and dreams intersperse. Let's stand together, hand in hand, United for gender equality in this land.

It's not just a dream, it is our call, To ensure fairness for one and all. So, let's embrace this noble fight, For a world where love and justice unite.

Men and women, equal and strong, Breaking stereotypes all day long. Let respect and love forever bloom In a world where equality finds its room.

#### Neeraja A, VIII B

#### Field trip to Keezhadi

It was a pleasant day with a gentle breeze adding to the amazing weather. Although this trip was primarily an academic excursion related to the history of an ancient civilization that thrived on the banks of the River Vaigai, it felt like much more. As part of our trip, we first visited one of the excavation sites at Keezhadi. We learned about the 'Muthumakkalthazhi' which is a large urn used to bury the deceased. We took turns walking around the excavation site and examined the urns up close. Later, we headed to another excavation site, where we saw even more urns. Our next destination was the place we had eagerly anticipated: the Keezhadi museum. Upon entering, we encountered some relics, and our grade was divided into two groups for a video presentation about the civilization. After the video, we explored the museum further, where we discovered intriguing items like holographic images, jewellery, coins, and more. We left the museum around 1:30 and made our way to a primary school for lunch. After our meal, we boarded the bus and returned to school by 3 p.m. To sum up the memory of the field trip in a single line: it was a wholesome experience.

Pradishtha S, X B

#### Watching Othello in American College



We, the students from class XI were taken to the American College by our school to watch William Shakespeare's 'Othello' staged by the students of the American college. We were very excited right from the time we boarded the bus till we reached the venue. Volunteers from the college helped us to get seated in the auditorium. The story is about how insecurity, jealousy and lies can lead to dangerous consequences. The play was executed perfectly and the actors did an amazing job at bringing the characters to life. The stage backdrop, the lighting and the music added to the suspense of the show and kept us at the edge of the seat throughout the whole play. As we have Shakespearean drama in our syllabus, it was incredible watching a live Shakespearean play and i thank our school for taking us to the show. I enjoyed the whole experience and definitely would want to witness a play like this again.

Rubikha M, XI C

#### Fun and Responsibility Trove – Home Economics!

I love our Home Economics class and today I'm glad to review it. Home Economics class is a must for learning new skills and being independent. It teaches us how to cook, clean and do other essential things which helps us to take care of ourselves and others. We are taught simple day to day life skills that engage us in basic household chores. Home Economics class is also fun and at the same time it gives me the pleasure of taking up responsibilities. The exercises we were taught include making lemon juice, chopping fruits, toasting bread, making curd, washing clothes and cleaning up our space. By doing these simple activities, I can make my mom feel happy. I love to do these activities and look forward to more such activities in the days to come. I am thankful to our teachers for including Home Economics in our curriculum.

#### Ashritha B, V C

#### Fact is Stranger Than Fiction- Inter House Skit Competition

The Inter house skit competition was one of the most eagerly awaited competitions. The panel of judges consisted of our former communication head, Usha ma'am, Our former English teacher Arthy ma'am and our primary level teacher Delphine ma'am. The theme of the skit was 'An incident based on real life'. All the houses performed very well. As per the lots, Anbu house performed first. Their skit was based on a missing painting, which was a nice story followed by Arul house which had intense dramatic action on stage. Next came Aram house whose story centered around compassion and kindness and the last one to finish was Arivu house who made sure to raise laughter among the audience and judges. The judges appreciated the efforts taken by students of all the houses to do their best and made special mention of the quality of English used in the play. The props used were also appreciated and the audience enjoyed the show thoroughly. I enjoyed the whole experience and hats off to all the actors, directors and students who worked hard to make the skits interesting and entertaining.

#### **A Melodious Memory**



Every year, four major interhouse competitions take place in our school. I love all of them. I joined the interhouse singing competition, last year, as a part of Arul House. We started one fine afternoon, just the same as all the other houses. Last year, though we didn't win any prizes, I had a lovely experience with all my team-mates. But, I had some instinct that told me that this team would perform better than ever before. Our guiding stars, our in-charge teachers really helped us. We had to sing songs, within four minutes, on the topic 'Elements'. Any two were enough. We chose water and the earth. We started off with our first song, about water. We then proceeded to the final two songs. The execution was so perfect, that I couldn't believe that my house was doing so well. Day in and day out, we practiced, putting our heart and soul into every other song. But, when we had our first stage rehearsal, my heart broke. Our voice wasn't audible enough and the pitch of singing was really bad. Nobody had the energy to practice that day. Even then, our teachers kept encouraging us. We stopped singing and finalized all the other stuff, like costumes, hairstyle and so on. Finally, the day of the competition arrived. All the houses seemed so well-prepared that I felt so scared to even look at the stage. Our performance was the second one, right after Aram House. Aram house did really well. Then, the screens were drawn and we had to step into the stage. We sang till our throats turned sore. Our performance got over and I had the biggest sigh of relief as we had performed without any hitches and with a strong voice. The other two houses that followed us did a good job too. The competition got over and I was back to the regular grind, waiting for the results. The results then came out on a sunny Monday morning. The last two places were announced and we weren't in one of them. I was very happy. Now, the rest of the two houses were tied between the first and second positions. The teacher then announced that Arul House won the first place! My heart skipped a beat.! I was ecstatic. I really liked this experience, full of ups and downs, with an amazing result at the end.

#### Anahitha M N, VII F

#### Teachers

If we commit a mistake you make us work till we get it right, But Later we realize it is to make us efficient and bright... You share your thoughts and advise us when we need, You taught us to write by catching our hand and always paid heed... You teach us without showing your Pain, but definitely it will not go in vain... You always give the feel of a Mother, and our Hearts are forever tethered... For us, you gave your Lifetime, So We thought to give this as a Tribute... Finally, Our Fondness is till the Sky, If Someone asks How much do you Love your teachers, We would say its till eternity.

#### Sharvaesh A, XI C

#### **My Amazing Field Trip**



As soon as I woke up, I noticed my father standing by my bedside, waiting for me to get up. I asked him if I could have five more minutes of sleep, but he insisted that we had a school field trip planned for the day. Even though I was feeling lazy, I eventually got out of bed and sluggishly went to the bathroom to brush my teeth and take a refreshing bath. After that, I packed my bag with the necessary supplies, put on my shoes, ate breakfast, and got into the car. We arrived at school and joined my friends in the busy waiting hall. The excited chatter of children guietened down as the vice principal and coordinator gave us some final instructions and wished us a safe journey. After a disorganized line, we finally boarded the bus. Some of our friends attempted to wander away to meet their other friends in different sections, but once all the students had safely boarded the bus, our journey began. My friends and I tried to encourage the other section's students to sing along to our songs, but our efforts had failed pretty badly. Nobody joined in, and the chorus was chaotic, so we stopped singing and sat in boredom for the rest of the journey. Finally, we arrived at the scenic village of Arritapatti, and we got off the bus and walked past a peaceful pond and several trees to reach a small hill of smooth, yet climbable rocks. We followed the teacher's instructions and climbed the hill. We met a dog on the way who kept following me while the others were afraid of it. We named the dog Blacky because he was black. When we reached the other side of the hill, we saw an impressive sight. The background was mountain-like structures resembling rocks, while the foreground featured a small temple atop a flight of stairs. After waiting for the other classes to visit the temple, it was finally our turn. We climbed the stairs and tried out different poses on the mountain to capture the perfect class photo. Afterwards, we entered the temple with sculptures of three deities and etchings of various languages on the mountain's stones. Two of our friends and a teacher explained the interesting history of the temple. We then stood up to form a line and got our foreheads applied with ash by the priest. We climbed down the stairs and waited till the other section children finished their visit too. After all the sections had finished visiting the temple, we had a hearty meal. I spotted Blacky and realised that he had followed us. I said goodbye to him and we got on the bus. As we rode back to school we slept through most of the ride. We arrived at school. After that, each one of us went to our parents and shared our awesome experiences.

#### Manya Kamal, VII D

#### Story - Sam learns to eat fruits

Once upon a time there was a boy. His name was Sam. He was smart and good but he had a bad habit. He did not eat fruits. One day his ma'am informed him that he has a race next week. At home, Sam was thinking about the race. His mother asked him, "what are you thinking?" He replied to his mother that they have a running race. His mother asked when do they have the race. He replied his mother that it was on Thursday of the next week. His mother gave him some fruits to eat as it was healthy. He refused to eat fruits as he didn't like it. On the day of the race, all the participants started running. Sam ran last. He realised that he could have won the race if he had eaten fruits and become healthier.

Moral :Eat nutritious food to keep you strong and healthy.

#### **Poem- Insects**



A honey bee goes to the flower Goes to take his favourite food His favourite food is .....? HONEY A caterpillar goes to the leaf Goes to take his favourite food His favourite food is....? LEAF A lady bug comes and sits on a leaf Goes to take his favourite food His favourite food is....? **INSECTS' EGGS** An ant goes to the kitchen Goes to take his favourite food His favourite food is....? SUGAR And A mosquito goes to a human Goes to take his favourite food His favourite food is....? BLOOD All the insects came to eat together And all were happy with their food.

ShreyaMeenu S, III E

#### An Experience To Cherish

The regional literary events on 25th of August was one of the most extraordinary experiences that I had in my entire schooling. I had auditioned for it and got selected for declamation.. The literary team and I had already participated in the zonals and had bagged the first place, this gave us some confidence. The Grove School in Chennai was the host this year. We had to travel by train, the journey made it even more special. Participants from all over Tamil Nadu had travelled miles to attend the convention. We stepped foot in Chennai and after a couple of hours made it to the venue. I was awestruck by the magnitude of the effort taken by the hosts to organize the event and the incredible amount of participants. As the levels increased, so did the competition. All these made my confidence waver, but I geared myself up and went to deliver my speech. I gave my best and I was awarded the first place. The experience was completely worth the amount of effort put by every one of us in practicing. This journey exposed me more to the world and taught me that skills apart from academics are very much in need. I also learnt a lot and met many friendly people. I eagerly await to grasp more opportunities like this and urge everyone to do so.



#### **Greetings!**

My name is Harsh Vardhan and I am studying in VIII B. I had recently participated in the ASISC Quiz Regionals, Sub-Junior category, along with my partner Jaivant Raj. We travelled by train to Chennai and reached the TVS guest house. The people there were kind and heartwarming. We refreshed, ate our breakfast and went to the venue which was Grove school. When we arrived, we saw hundreds of students from various schools gathered over there. The Quizmaster arrived shortly and started with an introductory speech. After that, he announced that the first round was 'Starters' round. The rule was that we get 10 points for each correct answer and no negative points for the wrong answer. Almost all the teams got the right answer (including us). So that made 10 points for us. The next round was a 'Choose' round in which we had to choose the topic and face the question. There were four topics with three questions each, namely - Science & Technology, Art, Sports and Culture. Each question carried 10 points for the correct answer and -5 points for the wrong answer for the initial team.. We had taken Science & Technology but we failed to answer. We answered two pass - on questions incorrectly. We were still in the same score with the 8th place. The next round was the 'Buzzer' round in which we had to raise our hands first because there was no buzzer. The first team would get 20 points if correct and -10 points if wrong. The second team gets half the points whether right or wrong. We answered three pass - on questions and got 15 points. That made 25 points in total. We did not know our place. We moved onto the fourth round which was 'Double Trouble'. In this round, we could choose to double the points for the question before the Quizmaster asks the question. The correct answer gives 20 points if doubled or else 10 points and the wrong answer gives - 10 points if doubled or else -5 points. There were six topics (Science, Technology, Art, Culture, Sports and Entertainment) with two questions each. We had to pick a chit out of a pot to know our topic. We got Entertainment as the topic We chose to double and answered it correctly. That made 45 points in total and we were in the third place. The last round was the 'Rapid Fire' round. In this round we had to answer as many questions as we could in 40 seconds. Each question carried 10 points and no negative points for the wrong answer. We answered two questions correctly and two incorrectly. That gave 20 points. The experience was thrilling, interesting, stimulated our minds and gave tons of wisdom. The programme organizers announced that we had secured the second place.Our escort teachers, Santosh sir and Jeyaselvi ma'am congratulated us. We waited for all the other competitions to get over and then went back to the guest house, packed our bags, ate our dinnerand left for Madurai. It was an exhausting day but I will never forget this wonderful experience in my life.

Harsh Vardhan P, VIII B

#### "Reviving Hearts: My CPR Experience"



The CPR program at Lakshmi School was conducted by Dr. Vitharsan Madhavan from Dr.Madhavan's Heart Centre with the goal of educating students about the importance of CPR and teaching them the necessary steps to administer it effectively. The program included both theoretical and practical components to ensure that students gained a comprehensive understanding of this life-saving technique. The program emphasized the critical importance of timely action in cardiac emergencies. We were taught the following key steps in administering CPR: Check for Responsiveness, Call for Help, Chest Compressions, Rescue Breaths, and Use of AED. Further, the difference between Heart attack and cardiac arrest was made clear. During the CPR program, we had the opportunity to gain real-time CPR experience through the use of an artificial human training device. This sophisticated simulator, designed to replicate the physical attributes of a human being, provided students with a hands-on, immersive learning experience. As they practiced chest compressions and rescue breaths on this artificial human toy, we could observe how their actions affected the device's response, including realistic chest rise and fall. This practical exposure allowed us to refine their CPR techniques, build confidence, and better prepare for real-life emergencies. The program then focused on the recovery position. The recovery position is often used for individuals who are unconscious but breathing or for those with a minor injury. This position helps prevent choking on vomit and promotes better breathing. Finally, we were tested based on our knowledge and were retaught about the concepts we failed to remember. Overall, it was a memorable and noteworthy experience.

#### Bharath Kumar G, XII A (School Captain)

#### Poem - Ice Cream

Everyone likes ice-cream Even I do, It is a cold and sweet creation, Too delicious to resist. Chocolate, Vanilla, Blueberry, Butterscotch and Blackberry-One over the other I had five scoops of ice-cream. You make us cool in summer, Yet leave warm memories!

#### A Cherishable Experience !



On 8th September, along with a few students from 11th and 12th I attended a programme in American College. It was a speech by Mr.Palanivel Thiyagarajan, the honorable minister of IT and Digital services, Government of Tamilnadu. Mr.Thiyagarajan in his usual interesting style elaborated on the topic 'Democracy and Governance: The gap between intent and outcomes'. The programme was organised by The Study Centre for Indian Literature in English and Translation popularly known as SCILET. It was a great opportunity to take some time off from classroom learning and listen to prominent personalities who are experts in their own fields. We gained a lot of insights about what goes behind the financial decisions taken by the government and how finance is channelized to different projects by the party heads. Another thing my friends and I enjoyed was the bus ride to the venue with my friends and the early snacks we had during the break. I hope to get another such opportunity very soon!

#### Dharshini V, XI B

# Emotions in Unity: Highlights from the Inter House Dance Competition

The Inter House Dance Competition was a grand spectacle of talent and unity, showcasing the extraordinary abilities of the four houses in our school: Arivu, Anbu, Aram, and Arul. The theme for this year's performances was fantastic, with each house delivering a unique and an amazing show. As a student of the Arul house, I had the privilege of participating in the background preparations for our performance. Witnessing the enthusiasm of the students during their practice hours was truly heartwarming. The teachers who guided and supported us throughout this journey left an impression, emphasizing the profound connection they share with their students. The final event was nothing short of incredible. All four houses took to the stage with energy and grace. Two esteemed alumni graced us as judges, offering valuable thoughts and feedback on the performances. It was evident that the standard of our dance competitions continues to rise with each passing year. Costumes and makeup played a significant role in enhancing the overall visual appeal of the performances. Among the standout performances, Arivu house's "Shiv Tandav", Aram house's "Shadow Dance", Anbu house's "Blindfolded Performance", Arul house's formation steps in "Aigiri Nandhini", stood out the most and were executed well, demonstrating precision and dedication This competition held a special place in my heart, as it marked my final contribution to the house before bidding farewell to the school. It brought forth a wave of nostalgia, and saying goodbye will undoubtedly be a challenging task in the months to come. The Dance Competition was a remarkable journey of talent, unity, and heartfelt emotions, making it a memorable event in the academic year.

#### Visit To Preethi Hospital



The field of medicine is perhaps the most respected and lucrative, and jobs in it are highly coveted. However, most of us students lack a true insight into the nitty gritty of life as a medical professional. Thus, we were incredibly fortunate to be taken on a visit to the Preethi Multi-specialty Hospital. We were welcomed by the Principal of Preethi Nursing College, who enlightened us on the wide scope that a nursing degree offers. We were also shown labs with practice mannequins for nursing students. We were awed by the state of the art analytics machines in their pathology lab (where diagnostic tests are done), and one of us even volunteered to have her blood group tested right then and there. We caught a glimpse of a CT (Computed Tomography) scanner, while we were briefed on radiology. The professionals were incredibly cordial and were ready to answer any question we threw their way. We visited the NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) and labor room. This particular experience truly made me realise the presence of mind and acuity that a doctor must possess, along with a calm and focused demeanor, as they must be hyper ready for any complication that might arise in the labour process. It also made me appreciate the technological advancements in the medical field, as the vitals of the mother and infant could be monitored in real time. The experts taught us about the basics of IVF (In-Vitro Fertilisation) and ART (Assisted Reproductive Technology). This seemed quite a novel subject to a lot of us, but we were informed that it is a safe, highly controlled and advanced procedure with a good success rate. We had visited the hospital on September 29th, which is celebrated as World Heart Day. So, fittingly, we met a cardiologist and had a look at a Cath lab (Catheterisation lab, where cardiovascular diseases are diagnosed and treated). It was gripping to see the coronary angiogram (scan of the blood vessels in the heart) of a patient, who had suffered a heart attack, and to see the stent placed in his coronary artery that would save his life. We learnt that in cardiology, time is of the essence, as emergency heart surgeries are a matter of life and death. We were told not to strive for perfection, but for speed, and that a good cardiologist must have 'a lion's heart and a lady's fingers'. We were approaching the end of our visit, and were shown a presentation on the crown glory of Preethi Hospital, their robotic orthopaedic surgery (Orthopaedic - related to bones and muscles). Robotic surgery is the future of medical science, as it aids (not replaces) surgeons, improving their precision and reducing human errors. We gained an understanding on robotic guidance in knee replacement surgeries, and saw a heartwarming video of an elderly woman who had regained the ability to walk on her own after this life changing surgery. This up-close view of a few of the various fields of healthcare, and talks from professionals, acted as excellent career guidance for those interested in medicine. It taught us aspects of healthcare that could never be simply gleaned from a textbook. Our experience at Preethi Hospital made us appreciate this stressful yet rewarding occupation, than which there is none nobler.

Manasa M, XII A



The "Mom and I" program was really well organised .It was one of the most memorable day. Teachers gave clear instructions regarding making of the vinayagar Idol. It truly enhanced their hand and eye co ordination and concentration. Even after reaching home we bought some more clay and made another vinayagar Idol, thus it provoked our creativity. We thank the school management and teachers for arranging such thoughtful events and also getting parents involved in it.

Avanthi J, UKG E

**Field Trip** 

After Pranesh started going on field trips organised by school, I personally feel that he has become well disciplined. I can see behavioural changes that he is holding hands and observing things around while going on an outing. He is enjoying his field trips and he usually tells me things he observed or that was taught during his day out. He looks forward to his field trips.

#### Parent of Pranesh, UKG C

#### **Grand Parent's Day**

At the Lakshmi School, the much awaited Grandparents' Day celebration took place on a Saturday morning. The school had been buzzing with excitement for weeks as students and teachers prepared for this special event. The day began with a warm welcome at the school. where colourful decorations adorned with balls and banners greeted the grandparents. The highlight of the day was the assembly in the school's Multipurpose Hall. The students had prepared heart warming songs and dance to honor their grandparents. There were tears of joy and laughter as grandparents watched their grandchildren perform on stage. The school has also organized various activities for the grandparents and students to enjoy together. The laughter and smiles echoed throughout the school. Each grandparent received a small memento as a token of appreciation. As the day came to a close, there were many heartfelt goodbyes and promises to stay connected. Grandparents' Day at Lakshmi School was not only a celebration of family but also a reminder of the importance of intergenerational bonds and the wisdom that grandparents bring to their grand children's lives. It was a day filled with love, laughter and cherished moments that would be remembered by all for years to come.



The virtual pet show was an amazing experience! I had so much fun seeing all the different pets. There were cute dogs that did tricks, fluffy cats that purred, a tiny guinea pig and even some colorful birds.

I was nervous to show my pet Willow, but everyone liked him. It was cool to talk about how I take care of him, like giving him fresh food and clean bedding. Even though we couldn't be in the same place, it was like we had a big pet party on the computer. I hope we can do it again soon, so we can all share more stories about our awesome pets. Thanks to Class III teachers for making it a pawsome day!

Srinika S, III D

#### **Review on Field Trip**

We went on a field trip to Agriculture College. On the way, we saw Yaanaimalai. The college was very big and we had an opportunity to see their library. The place was surrounded with plants. I saw chickoos, custard apples, mangoes, guava trees and many other trees. There were many plants with colourful flowers. When I was walking on the pavement, I saw peacocks beside me. It was so beautiful !

I saw farmers working in the farm and many huge machines. There was a machine for ploughing and separating the husk from the rice.

I thank my school and the teachers for taking me there. This trip has taught me about the hard work of the people behind food production. From now on, I promise that I won't waste food.

Shreelaya M A, III E

#### Field Trip Experience - Fun Day

My teachers, my friends and myself went to Gandhi museum. We went in our school bus. It was a hot sunny day. We sang rhymes in the bus. I was excited. My teacher shared information about Gandhiji. He is a man of simplicity and is called as the father of our nation. He sacrificed his life for the independence of India. I saw his dress, books and spinning wheel. I like him very much and I admire him totally.

Harikka M G S, II D

#### Story-The Kind Husky



Once there lived a white puppy named Husky. He was very kind and helpful. One day he went to a garden and saw something behind the bushes. It was colourful and attractive. He went near it. Wow! it was a colourful bright ball. Husky started playing with it. He saw a little kitten crying. Husky asked, 'What happened?'. The Kitten said, 'I lost my ball'.

'Is this your ball? I found it in the bushes'. The kitten was very happy to see the ball. They both played together happily.

Moral of the story –Be compassionate and friendly with all.

Meghna N, II A

**Poem-Water** 

Water! Is clearly a mystery to me. A solid? A liquid? A gas? It's all three. Freeze it Warm it Boil it You'll see. Water! Is clearly a mystery to me.

Guru Varman J, II D

#### Story - Hen Who Saved a Small Ant

Once upon a time there lived a hen with seven chicks. They picked some grains and ants as their food and went home. The hen was ready to eat the grains and the ants.

The hen noticed that one ant was sad. The hen asked the reason for its sadness.

The ant was thirsty and was in need of water. The hen went to her grandma and asked a basket to fetch water. She filled the basket with water and poured it near the ant. The ant drank the water, thanked the hen and went happily.



My perception of the variety show held on 7/10/2023 @The Lakshmi School, Veerapanchan.

Nostalgia enveloped me on 7th October 2023 when I witnessed the variety show based on the 1964 Roald Dahl's book 'Charlie and The Chocolate Factory '. The film adaptations of the book were released in 1971 and subsequently in 2005. As a 11yr old in Bombay, I remember seeing the movie in 1971 with my cousin. Hence the nostalgia.

What impressed me, and I am sure all parents & grandparents, was the seamless scene shifts with all children performing wonderfully well.

Kudos to all teachers and staff involved in the recreation of this masterpiece of a variety show!

Special mention has to be made to the innumerable properties(props) made use of to guide the spectators through the scenes with the background visuals & lighting enhancing the reality.

All children excelled in their various roles as characters/dancers which showed that tremendous amount of training given to them by their teachers.

There was a great deal of learning with the five golden ticket winners exemplifying the following traits:

- Augustus Gloop Gluttony
- Violet Arrogance and overconfidence
- Veruca Rudeness, selfishness and impatience
- Mike Teevee Adiction to TV and vainglory
- Charlie Bucket- Honesty, concern, attachment to family and sincerity.

The fate of the first four negative characters was well demonstrated by the children and the props.

The undying love for family exhibited by Charlie Bucket even in the face of loss of prize was a take home message well appreciated by all viewers as could be gauged by the ovation at the end of the variety show.

#### Raji Balasubramanian Grandmother of Akshika A, III B



#### தமிழ் நாடகப் போட்டி – சிரிப்பும் சிந்தனையும்

அறம், அருள், அன்பு, அறிவு ஆகிய நான்கு மாணவக் குழுவி<mark>னருக்கு</mark> இடையிலான தமிழ்நாடகப் போட்டி 'சிரிப்பும்சிந்தனையும்' என்ற தலைப்பில் நடைபெற்றது. முதலில் அருள் குழுவினர் தங்களின் நடிப்புத்தி<mark>றனை</mark> அவர்களின் தமிழ்உச்சரிப்பு வெளிப்படுத்தினர். மிகவும் அருமை<mark>யாக</mark> அவர்களின் உடல்மொழியைக் கண்டு வியந்தோம். இருந்தது. ஒலி வாங்கியை முறையாகப் பயன்படுத்தியிருந்தால் இந்த நாடகம் மேலும் சிறப்பாக இருந்திருக்கும்.

அன்புக் குழுவினர் இரண்டாவதாக அரங்கேறினர். சிரிப்பு மனிதனின் வாழ்க்கையில் மிகவும் முக்கியம் என்பதனை அழகாகத் தெரிவித்தனர். இளவரசியாக நடித்தவர் நாடகத்தின் நடுவர் கேட்ட வினாக்களுக்குச் சிறப்பாக விடைகளை அளித்தார். பார்வையாளர்களுக்குச் சிரிப்பு வந்த நிலையிலும் கூட மன்னராக நடித்தவர் தன்னுடைய நாடகப்பாத்திரத்தை உணர்ந்து, சிறப்பாக நடித்தார். நாடகத்தில் ஆங்கிலச்சொற்கள் பயன்பாட்டினைத் தவிர்த்திருக்கலாம்.

மூன்றாவதாக அறம் குழுவினர் தமது நாடகத்தைத் தொடங்கினர். இந்தக் குழுவினரின் உடல்மொழியும் வசன உச்சரிப்பும் சிறப்பாக இருந்தன. இறுதியில் ஒருநாடக மாந்தர் தன்னுடைய வசனத்தை மறந்துவிட்ட போது மற்றொரு நாடகமாந்தர் அந்த இடைவெளியினைத் தன்னுடைய உடனடிச் சிந்தனைத் திறத்தினால் நிரப்பி நாடகத்தை நிறைவு செய்தார். இறுதியாக அரங்கேறிய அறிவு குழுவினர் அரங்க அலங்காரத்தைச் சிறப்பாகச் செய்திருந்தனர்.

இன்றைய சமுதாயத்தின் நிலையை நாடகமாக வெளிப்படுத்தியிருந்த<mark>னர்.</mark> ஆனால், அவர்கள் தங்களின் கருத்தினைச் சரியான முறையில் வெளிப்படுத்தி, நிறைவு செய்திருந்தால் நன்றாக இருந்திருக்கும். இந்த நாடகப் போட்டியில் முதல்நிலையினை அறம் குழுவினரும் இரண்டாம் நிலையினை அன்புக்குழுவினரும் பெற்றனர்.

> - ஸ்ரீமகாலெட்சுமி, உ ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்பு, 'ஆ' பிரிவு.



#### தொன்மையான வகுப்பறையைக் காண ஒரு களப்பயணம்

பள்ளியிலிருந்து ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்பு மாணவர்களைக் களப்பயணமாக அழைத்துச் செல்லப் போகிறார்கள் எனபதனைத் தெரிந்து கொண்டதும் நாங்கள் அனைவரும் மிகவும் மகிழ்ச்சியடைந்தோம். அந்த மகிழ்ச்சி களப்பயணம் நிறைவடையும் வரை எங்களிடம் நீடித்தது. காலையில் புறப்பட்டு பேருந்தில் செல்லும்போது கலகலப்பான உரையாடல்களுடனும் விறுவிறுப்பான விளையாட்டுகளுடனும் எங்கள் பயணம் தொடங்கியது.

மதுரை மாங்குளம் – மீனாட்சிபுரத்துக்குச் சென்றோம். அங்குச் சுற்றிலும் கிராமங்களும் மலைக்குன்றுகளுமாக இருந்தன. நாங்கள் அனைவரும் சிற்றுண்டி உண்ட பின்னர், ஒரு பெரியமலையினை நோக்கி எங்களை ஆசிரியர்கள் அழைத்துச் சென்றனர்.

நாங்கள் அந்த மலையில் மிகவும் கவனமாக ஏறிச் சென்றோம். அது மிகவும் ஆனந்தமாக இருந்தது. மலையின் உச்சியில், குகையில் சமணர்கள் படுத்துறங்கிய கற்படுக்கைகளையும் அவர்கள் பயன்படுத்திய வகுப்பறையையும் பார்த்தோம். அந்தக் குகையின் விளிம்பில் இருந்த பழந்தமிழ்க் கல்வெட்டுக்களையும் பார்த்தோம்.

அந்த இடத்தின் தொன்மை, வரலாற்றுச் சிறப்பு, அக்காலத்தைய சமணமதம், மருத்துவம், கல்வி, மக்கள் எனப் பலவற்றையும் தமிழாசிரியர் திரு. மாயானந்தன் அவர்கள் எங்களுக்கு விளக்கிக் கூறினார். பின்னர் நாங்கள் மலையிலிருந்து மெதுவாகக் கீழே இறங்கத் தொடங்கினோம். நமது பூமியின் அழகினை உயரத்திலிருந்து ரசித்தபடியே இறங்கி வந்தோம்.

மலையடிவாரத்தில் இருந்த சமுதாயக்கூடத்தில் நாங்கள் கொண்டு வந்திருந்த மதிய உணவினை உண்டு மகிழ்ந்தோம். பின்னர்ப் பேருந்தில் ஏறி இனிய நினைவுகளுடன் பள்ளிக்கு வந்தோம். இது போன்ற பல இடங்களுக்கும் எங்களை அழைத்துச் சென்றால் மிகவும் சிறப்பாக இருக்கும்.

> - லிங்கேஷ்பாண்டியன், சு. ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்பு, 'அ' பிரிவு.





#### वेगमोन की सैर

हर गर्मी की छुट्टियों में हम पूरे परिवार के साथ सैर पर जाते हैं। इस बार मेरे पापा ने कहा कि हम वेगमोन जा रहे हैं। वेगमोन केरला के प्राकृतिक सौंदर्य से भरपूर एक पर्वतीय स्थल है। सारा रास्ता सुंदर पहाड़ियों और नदियों से भरा था। रास्ते में हमने कई बंदर भी देखें। वहाँ पापा मुझे घोड़े और हाथी की सवारी करने ले गए। उन्होंने हमें वहाँ के अनेक दर्शनीय स्थल, झरने आदि दिखाएँ। हम बोटिंग भी गए। ठंडे मौसम और सुंदर नजारों के कारण हमारे खुशी का ठिकाना नहीं रहा था। इस यात्रा के दौरान हमने एक सीख भी सीखा कि प्रकृति की सुंदरता जितना आकर्षित है, उतना ही हमारी यह जिम्मेदारी भी बनती है कि हम उनकी स्वच्छता को भी कायम रखें। कुदरत का आदर करना हमारा कर्तव्य है। सचमुच यह सेर बडा ही मज़ेदार था।

#### Sanjith S, IV A

#### मेरा विद्यालय

मुझे मेरा विद्यालय बहुत पसंद है। यह विद्यालय मेरे पुराने विद्यालय से बहुत बड़ा है। इसमें पढ़ने, लिखने के साथ-साथ नाच, गाना , नाटक , भाषण हर चीज़ की सुविधा है । यहाँ का पुस्तकालय भी बहुत बड़ा है । इस विद्यालय में रचनात्मक तरीके से पढ़ाया जाता है । इस विद्यालय के अध्यापक बहुत अच्छे हैं। मेरा विद्यालय खेलकूद में भी अव्वल है। यहाँ आकर मेरा आत्मविश्वास बढ गया है ।

#### Rithvin M, V A

#### गर्मी की छुट्टियाँ

गर्मी की छुट्टियाँ हम सभी को अच्छी लगती है । यह साल का, सबसे अच्छा समय होता है । मैं इन छुट्टियों में बहुत मस्ती करता हूँ। मैं गर्मी की छुट्टियों में अपने परिवार के साथ घूमने जाता हूँ। और मैं हमेशा खुश रहता हूँ। इस दौरान मैं अपने नाना - नानी के यहाँ भी जाता हूँ। गर्मी की छुट्टियों में सुबह से शाम तक मैं अपने दोस्तों के साथ खेलता हूँ। इसलिए गर्मी की छुट्टियाँ मेरे लिए बहत मजेदार समय है ।

#### Vivaan S, V A

#### सच्चा मित्र

मनुष्य एक सामाजिक प्राणी है। वह एक दूसरे के सहारे जीता है। जिसके कारण मित्रता का जन्म होता है। हमारे जीवन में अनेक मित्र बनते हैं।कुछ अच्छे और कुछ बुरे। स्वार्थी मित्र तो बहुत मिल जाते हैं,लेकिन भाग्यशाली वही होता है,जिसे सच्चा मित्र मिलता है। सच्चा मित्र सुख - दुख में सदा साथ रहता है। वह अपने मित्र के प्रत्येक दुख को दूर करने का प्रयत्न करता है, यदि सच्चा मित्र मिल जाए तो जीवन रूपी यात्रा सरलता से कट जाती है।

#### Vashav Krishna, VI A

#### मेरी मीठी यादें

सबको बारिश पसंद है। मुझे भी पसंद है। कल भयंकर बारिश हुई ।बहुत बिजली चमकी। बिजली के जाने के बाद हम मोमबत्ती की रोशनी में पढ़े। माँ हमें पंखा झल रही थी। हम सब कुर्सी पर बैठे और मेज़ के केंद्र में मोमबत्ती की रोशनी में खुशी से बात कर रहे थे। वह पल मेरे जीवन का एक हसीन पल था। बिजली के आते ही मोमबत्ती की रोशनी को बंद कर सब अपना काम करने चले गए लेकिन उस पल को भूलना बहुत मुश्किल है। मेरी माँ कल सुबह बहुत उदास होकर बोली थी कि बगीचे के पेड़ पौधों को पानी डाल कर कई दिन हो गए अगर आज बारिश होती तो अच्छा होता। शाम को बहुत तेज बारिश हुई। मेरी माँ बहुत खुश हुई। वह पल भी मेरी मीठी यादें हैं। हम कितने भी उदास क्यों न हो बारिश होते ही हम सब कुछ भूल कर खुश हो जाते हैं। बारिश में भीगने का आनंद ही अलग है।

#### Kavya Dharshini P R, IX B







#### स्वास्थ्य ही खरा गहना

आजकल अच्छा स्वास्थ्य भगवान के दिए हुए वरदान की तरह है । यह बिल्कुल वास्तविक तथ्य है कि, स्वास्थ्य ही वास्तविक धन है । अच्छा स्वास्थ्य एक व्यक्ति के जीवन भर कमाई जाने वाली सबसे बड़ा धन होता है । यदि कोई अपना स्वास्थ्य खोता है तो वह जीवन के सभी आकर्षण खो देता है । अच्छे स्वास्थ्य को बनाए रखने के लिए हमें शारीरिक व्यायाम, योग, ध्यान ,संतुलित भोजन, अच्छे विचार ,स्वच्छता ,व्यक्तिगत स्वच्छता, नियमित चिकित्सकीय जाँच ,पर्याप्त मात्रा में सोनाऔर आराम करना आदि की आवश्यकता होती है । आमतौर पर लोग अपनी आलसी और निष्क्रिय आदतों के कारण अपने जीवन में एक अच्छा स्वास्थ्य बनाने में असफल हो जाते हैं वे सोचते हैं कि जो कुछ भी वे कर रहे हैं वह सब सही है, लेकिन जब तक वे अपनी गलती समझ पाते हैं, तब तक देर हो जाती है । अच्छा स्वास्थ्य हमें बिना थके अधिक समय तक काम करने की क्षमता देता है । अच्छा स्वास्थ्य वास्तव में जीवन का वास्तविक सुख और आकर्षण है । जीवन की सभी चुनौतियों से छुटकारा पाने केलिए अच्छे स्वास्थ्य को बनाए रखना आवश्यक है ।

#### Sharvi, VII B

#### हिंदी दिवस

हमारे विद्यालय में हिंदी दिवस बड़े धूमधाम से मनाया जाता है। छोटे बड़े सभी बच्चे हिंदी दिवस के अवसर पर भाग लेते हैं। जब हमारी पाठशाला में हिंदी दिवस की तैयारी शुरू होती है, तब पूरी पाठशाला में उत्सव का माहौल बन जाता है। इस बार मैंने भी नाटक में भाग लिया था। इस नाटक में मैंने टीना नाम की एक आधुनिक लड़की का पात्र निभाया था। टीना को मातृभाषा का महत्त्व पता नहीं था, पर नाटक के अंत तक टीना मातृभाषा की ताकत समझ गई। हिंदी दिवस से हमें यह सीख मिलती है, कि सभी भाषाओं और संस्कृति के साथ-साथ रहने से अपनी प्रतिभा बढ़ती है।सभी भाषा और बोली का भी हमारे जीवन में बहुत महत्त्व है।

#### Aarini Banerjee, IV A

#### कलयुग

कलयुग ,कलयुग घोर कलयुग , हर जगह घोर कलयुग । कलयुग का खेल निराला , झूठ का बोल बाला ,सच का मूँह काला ।

फूल बने तो अपने हिस्से में कॉंटे आते हैं , खुशबू सा महको तो तोड़ लिए जाते हैं । बदलना है इस दुनिया को तो ,बादलों अपनी सोच , खुद जिओ औरों को भी जीने दो ।

Yash Bansal, VI A





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1	SRI KAILASH S	VI F	GOLD		
2	MOHAMED ASHMITH RAYYAN R	VII E	GOLD		
3	THIRUNESH S P	VIII D	GOLD		
4	NIKITHA R.S	VIII C	GOLD	CISCE REGIONAL TAEKWONDO	
5	THARUN VEL G	IX D	GOLD		
6	RIYON K L	IX A	GOLD		
7	VIHAAN P	XI C	GOLD		
8	ALAN JOEL V	IX B	GOLD		
9	JUANA ANGAL S	VI F	SILVER		
10	ABBY JOANNA S	VI F	SILVER	-	
11	AZHAGU MURUGAN M	IX A	BRONZE		
12	HARITH VIMOHITHAN M.P	IX A	BRONZE		
13	SRIVATSAN S	VIII E	BRONZE	-	
14	<b>GOPIKA K</b>	VIII E	GOLD	CISCE REGIONAL CARROM TOURNAMENT	
15	SANZAY DEWAKAR N M S	ХА	GOLD		
16	THROWBALL TEAM	VIII - IX	RUNNERS	CISCE REGIONAL THROWBALL TOURNAMENT	
17	THROWBALL TEAM	IX - X	THIRD PLACE		
18	PRANAV GK	VIII F		CISCE REGIONAL LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT	
19	SHRAVIN R	VI F	RUNNER UP		
20	MRIDINE RAMAKRISHANAN	IX A	RUNNER UP	TAMILNADU STATE BADMINTON RANKING TOURNAMENT	
21	КНО-КНО ТЕАМ	IX - X	THIRD PLACE	CISCE REGIONAL KHO-KHO TOURNAMENT	
22	RISH VARSHAN V		RUNNER UP (SELECTED FOR NATIONAL)	CISCE REGIONAL SWIMMING TOURNAMENT	
	ABHI JAI	XIA	WINNER (SELECTED FOR NATIONAL)		
23	ABHI UDAI	XI A			
	MRIDINE RAMA KRISHNAN	IX A			
	KAAVIYAA NAVARAJ	XI C			
24	ANJANA ALAMELU S	VIII B	CISCE		
25	SRI MAHALAKSHMI U	IX B	SELECTED FOR NATIONAL	REGIONAL KHO-KHO TOURNAMENT	
26	AADHIRA NACHIYAR B	ХЕ			



27	KAAVIYAA NARARAJ	хіс	RUNNER UP	TAMILNADU STATE JUNIOR BADMINTON CHAMPION - 2023
28	KAAVIYAA NAVARAJ	хіс	III PLACE	TAMILNADU STATE BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP 2023
29	VENKAT IYER K S		III PLACE	YOUTH GAMES TAMILNADU STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
30	DONNYA A	IX D	QUARTER FINALIST - 1500RS	6TH SATE RANKING TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT 23 -24
31	MRIDINE RAMAKRISHNAN	IX A	III PLACE	TAMILNADU BADMINTON ASSOCIATION
32	GOPIKA K	VIII E	II PLACE	CISCE
33		VII C	(SELECTED FOR SGFI)	NATIONAL SHOOTING TOURNAMENT 2023
34	<b>GOPIKA K</b>	VIII E	I PLACE	CISCE NATIONAL CARROM TOURNAMENT 2023
35	SANZAY DEWAKAR N M S	ХА	II PLACE	
36	KAAVIYAA NAVARAJ	хіс	I PLACE	CISCE NATIONAL BADMINTON TOURNAMENT
37	K.PRANAV NARAYAN	ХЕ	III PLACE	ROLLER SKATING ASSOCIATION OF MADURAI DISTRICT
			I PLACE	
38	REYAANN MESHACH		III PLACE	
		× =	III PLACE	
		XE	II PLACE	
			II PLACE	
39	GURU MARAN M	VIII B	II PLACE	STATE LEVEL TENNIS TOURNAMENT
40	PRANAAV N S	VIC	RUNNER UP	13TH MADURAI DISTRICT SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP



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