### **VANA VANI MATRICULATION HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL**

IIT CAMPUS, CHENNAI - 600 036.

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### **Important Note:**

- School re-opened on 4th Jan, 2020 (Saturday).
- > Open House was on 10.1.2020 for Classes VIII,IX & XI and on 11.1.2020 for Class VI,VII,X&XII.
- ➤ NEW INITAITIVE: YOGA From January2020 Yoga and Meditation sessions are conducted by yoga experts for classes I IX between 8.40 A.M and 9.00 A.M once a week.



#### 'PARIKSHA PE CHARCHA -2020'

DISCUSSION ON EXAMS - 20.01.2020 By HONOURABLE PRIME MINISTER Shri. NARENDRA MODI JI , it is a part of an endeavour of Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi to support the dynamic students and to assure them that the entire nation is with them as they prepare for their exam. For the queries put by the student of various levels (IX to XII) from India, our Prime Minister answered and gave extremely valuable suggestions and insights into the pressing issues like: Mood Swing, Marks, Balance between academics and extra-

curricular activities, use of technology etc., He advised the stay focussed, to be prepared and to spend at least 10 minutes each day for extra knowledge, learn a new language apart from vernacular and official languages, use technology to develop rather than to steal our time, spend at least 2 hours each day without technology but with family .

### **SWACHHTA PLEDGE:**

Before tuning into the live show, our students took the SWACHHTA PLEDGE which was the dream of our Father of Nation Mahatma Gandhi.



### Martyrs Day:

On January 30<sup>th</sup> the school observed two-minute silence in memory of Indian martyrs at 11 am.



### **FIT INDIA CERTIFICATE:**

Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has certified Vana Vani Matriculation Higher Secondary School as a FIT INDIA School in recognition of the self online declaration done by the school.



### **GOLDEN LOTUS AWARD:**

Dinamalar, a very popular Tamil Daily conducted "Pattam Quiz" on 07-02-2020 at Kalaivanar Arangam. Deepak .S and Aryan .I of Class IX secured 12th place among 150 schools. Ms. Sigy Thomas ,Commissioner of School Education , Tamilnadu awarded 'Golden Lotus' award to the school .

### **VAN KRIDA:**

Vana Vani Inter- School Athletic Meet VAN KRIDA – 2020 was held at Manohar C Watsa Stadium , IITM on 11.01.2020. Dr.R.Natarajan ,IRS, Asst. Commissioner , GST, Central Excise, International Athlete, Director of ISPA ( India's Sports Promotion Academy ) was the Chief Guest for the sports meet. Nearly 11 schools participated and won medals for different categories. The Overall Championship was won by VANA VANI MATRICULATION HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL. Dr.R.Natarajan gave away the prizes for all the winners and encouraged the students to inculcate sports in their day-today lives.







**Republic Day Celebration :** Our school celebrated India's 71st Republic Day with great pride. The chief guest for the day was Prof. Arun K.Tangirala (Dept.of Chemical Engineering) of IITM. Students from Nursery to 9<sup>th</sup> standard participated in various programmes like patriotic songs, speeches, dance and drama.





### **ONE NATION READING**

Our school conducted "One Nation Reading Together" programme on 24/1/2020. Mr. Gopi , a reputed librarian graced the occasion and addressed the students. We are grateful to 'Scholastic India' for this initiative.





### PONGAL CELEBRATION:13.01.2020

Pongal was celebrated in the school to show a glimpse of the traditional way of celebration. Sweet pongal was prepared and distributed to all students. Primary school students highlighted the importance of agriculture through a tete a tete and performed folk dances .





### **GIRL CHILD PROTECTION DAY**

The Tamilnadu Government announced 24 th February as girl child protection day in honour of our former chief minister Selvi.J. Jayalalitha. The students of middle and high school took a pledge on protection of rights of every child followed by a speech and a skit.



A Science project display was held on 28th and 29th of February, 2020 in Vana Vani Matriculation Higher Secondary School to mark the National Science Day. Students from Nursery to Class IX showcased their talent in the project display . This Display was an endeavour to promote, encourage and inculcate scientific temper and hands-on learning in Science. A competition was held for the best display board for Class IX and class IX – B bagged the first place.





### **ALCHEMY KIDS THEATRE:**

The Annual Graduation Presentation of the Alchemy Kids Theatre program of VanaVani students was held on 1st February 2020 at the Central Lecture Theatre,IITM. Three plays based on Tenali Raman stories were presented by grade 1 students. Grade 2 and grade 3 students staged a play titled 'Refund' and a mime themed 'two neighbours'. Certificates were distributed to the graduates by our Principal Mr. Satish Kumar in the presence of Mr. Vijay Vishwanathan, CEO Alchemy Theatres.



### **NSS VALEDICTORY PROGRAM:**

The Valedictory program of NSS (Batch 2019-2020) was conducted on 24-02-2020. Our beloved Principal Mr.Sathishkumar, Vice Principal Mrs. Princy Tom and DLO Mr. Mohammed Sidhque graced the occasion.



#### **GREENDOM AND ECO CLUB: TURTLE WALK**

Students of class 8 were taken for a Turtle walk to Neelankarai Beach on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020 organized by Tree Foundation Chennai (NGO). A documentary film was shown on Olive Ridley Turtles. The students then went for a turtle walk along the coast from Neelankarai to Injambakkam. They arranged for a mock Turtle hatching along the coast and a demo was shown about the entry and exit of turtle while laying eggs. The students learned about how to save the sea turtles and had great fun.





### **Primary Storytelling Workshop:**



### **SYMPOSIUM**

Asian College of Teachers conducted a one day Symposium on 'Holistic Learning, Effective Lesson Planning and Authentic Assessment' on 15 th February 2020. This workshop was attended by Mrs. Princy Tom and Mrs. Akilandeswari.

### **COMMERCE- MANAGEMENT IN PRACTICE - lecture**

Mrs.Metilda participated in a special lecture regarding "MANAGEMENT IN PRACTICE" by Prof.N.Shanmugam,former education officer, Kendriya Vidyalya Sangathan on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at Bharath Senior Secondary School,Adyar,Chennai.

### MATHEMATICS - TEACHER-WORKSHOP

Mrs.Annie Deborah attended a workshop at AMET University conducted by Association of Mathematics teachers of India(AMTI) for Higher Secondary School Teachers on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020.

## NURSERY

### **National Science Day:**

On the 28th of February, National Science Day was celebrated in the nursery section. The various topics selected were Our helpers, Inventions, Types of houses, Global warming, Seasons, and Life cycles. Children presented models, working models, experiments, etc. It was very attractive and informative.





### **Excursion:**

**LKG:** An excursion around IIT Campus





**UKG:** An excursion to Cholamandalam Artists village. Children saw International Sculptures and Contemporary Paintings

**Pongal Celebration**: Pongal was celebrated on 13th January with kummi and folk dances by the kids. UKG children gave speeches on the significance of Pongal.

**Thiruvathira Celebration**: On Jan 10th teachers did a kaikotti kali for Thiruvathira which the children thoroughly enjoyed.

### **Celebrations & Events**

### **SRM PROJECT DAY**

The students of Std IX visited SRM Engineering college, Ramapuram to witness projects, on 9th January, 2020. Our students learnt a lot of new concepts by observing and doing it practically.





### **INNOVATIVE DESIGN COMPETITION**

As a part of the centenary celebrations of Dr.Vikram sarabhai conducted by ISRO in association with IIT-M, 18 students of class IX ,accompanied by two parents participated in the innovative design project model competition,held at Saveetha School Of Engineering, Saveetha Nagar, Chennai. Our school team comprising Lolita Anne, Lekha and Haritha had won second prize for their display and all the other teams had won consolation prizes too.





### **QUIZ & ELOCUTION COMPETITION:**

.As a part of centenary celebration of Dr. Vikram Sarabhai, Father of india's space programme, ISRO has conducted various competitions covering all the states and union territories of india. In Chennai, programmes were jointly organized along with IIT Madras. Our school students participated in quiz and elocution which was held at Saveetha School of Engineering on 28-02-2020. It supports greatly to disseminate knowledge and information on the space domain.



### THINK EXCELLENT- MATHEMATICS TALENT TEST

Students of class XII and X wrote a special exam In Mathematics at "THINK EXCELLENT" coaching Centre on 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2020. SHREYAS. S and ILLAKKIYAA . K. P of class X secured 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place respectively.



### **EXHIBITION - OSA**

Students of St.Joseph's college of Engineering conducted an exhibition in our school auditorium on 10 th February 2020. The members of OSA- OPTICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA exhibited innovative projects on smart dustbin, P W car, pyramid 3D Holography. VR Scuba diving and many more. The exhibition was visited by the students of middle school and class IX and were greatly inspired inspired.



### **SEEDS OF HOPE-students work shop**

Students of class IX attended an awareness programme to improve sustainability on Earth and to save Nature held at Guru Nanak MHSS on 14<sup>th</sup> of February 2020.

# **Competitions**

### **ENGLISH LITERARY COMPETITION:**

The preliminary rounds for the English Literary Competitions were held during the month of January. Students competed in the various competitions to showcase their speaking, reading and writing skills.



### TAMIL LITERARY COMPETITION:

ஒன்றாம் வகுப்பு முதல் ஐந்தாம் வகுப்பு வரை எழுதுதல் திறன், வாசித்தல் திறன்,பேசுதல் திறன் ஆகியவற்றை மேம்படுத்தும் வகையில் தமிழிலக்கியப் போட்டிகள் நடத்தப்பட்டன.

### **Literary Competition Prize Distribution:**

The prizes for the Primary English and Tamil Literary Competitions for the year 2019-2020 were given away by our Principal Mr. Sathish Kumar and our Vice Principal Mrs. Princy Tom on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020.





Eco Club conducted painting competition on the topic Save Water. Palm painting on the topic Save Trees and pookalam for the Middle School students on 17<sup>th</sup>,18<sup>th</sup> and 19 of Feb 2020







பாவைவிழா -2020 திருப்பாவை திருவெம்பாவை ஒப்புவித்தல் போட்டி (நாள் – 05-01-2020)

## திருப்பாவை, திருவெம்பாவைபோட்டிகள்(5.1.2020):

அன்று திருப்பாவை , திருவெம்பாவை போட்டிகள் ஸ்ரீசங்கரா மெட்ரிக் மேனிலைப்பள்ளியில் நடைபெற்றன. அதில்

- 1. அக்ஷ்யா. ஸ்ரீ நான்காம் வகுப்பு "அ"பிரிவு-இரண்டாம் பரிசும், 2. தாரிகா .க நான்காம் வகுப்பு "ஆ" பிரிவு– ஊக்கப்பரிசும்,
- 3.க.சௌழியா 8ஆம் வகுப்பு "அ" பிரிவு இரண்டாம் பரிசும்,
- 4. இர. திவிதா ஸ்ரீ ஆறாம் வகுப்பு "ஆ" பிரிவு –ஊக்கப்பரிசும் பெற்றனர்

**Class I :** The students of class I were taken for an excursion to the Guindy National Park – Chennai near our IIT Campus on 21.02.2020. The students thoroughly enjoyed seeing around the park.





### Excursion to CHENNAI RAIL MUSEUM, ICF -STD II

The students of class II were taken to Rail museum on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020, Friday. The students were excited to watch the Art gallery, the history of the Railway ,tiny and big models of trains and their parts and a movie on "Journey to Nilgiri mountain". The travel in a Toy train was a thrilling experience for them.



**Class III**: The students of class III were taken for an excursion to Dakshina Chitra on 22.02.2020. The students watched a puppet show, Magic show, karakattam and had fun. They were exposed to different state houses like the Tamil Nadu house, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Chettinadu house, Karnataka, etc.



**Class IV**: An excursion was organized to Arignar Anna Zoological Park on 22-02-2020 for the students of class IV. The students enthusiastically observed the majestic animals and birds like Asiatic Lion, White Tiger, Royal Bengal Tiger, Ostrich, Pelican, Sambar deer, Sloth Bear, Crocodiles, Indian Bison bull, Giraffes, Elephants etc. Overall it was one of the most memorable, interesting, valuable trips to the students.





Class V: Excursion to Seashell Museum – PanchaRathas – Tiger caves

The students of class V were taken to an excursion to the Shell Museum, Pancha Rathas and Tiger caves in Mahabalipuram.





**Class VI:** Students of class VI were taken on an excursion to Dakshin Chitra on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020. The students had fun watching puppet show, magic show, folk dance, bullock cart ride and glass blowing. The students visited different types of houses (Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamilnadu and Kerala).



**Class VII :** Students of class VII visited Mahabalipuram and crocodile park on 7<sup>th</sup> of March . Students admired and marvelled at the architecture of the pancha rathas and shore temple.



**Class VIII:** Students of class VIII went to Farm Guru for an excursion on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020. They had hands on experience on farming. They learnt about ploughing, weeding, sowing and harvesting. They were briefed on organic farming, drip irrigation and the traditional method of farming. Students enjoyed bullock cart and tractor ride.



### **ISRO - EDUCATIONAL TRIP - STD XI**

The science group students of class XI were taken on an educational trip to Sathish Dhawan Space Centre. The students saw two launch pads where, the process of launching a satellite was explained to them and the control centre where they were able to witness an informative video .

On 9<sup>th</sup>January 2020, the students XI-C were taken on an educational trip to Pondichery. The students visited 'True' Biscuit factory. Some other places of interest visited by them were Manakkula Vinayagar temple, Aurobindo Ashram, Sri Aurobindo Handmade paper Factory and Auroville Golden globe.



