



September 8TH 2021 INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY

Vana Vani Matriculation Higher Secondary School observed International Literacy Day on 8th September 2021. Our Chairman, Professor S. P. Dhanavel (Dept. of Humanities and Social Science, IITM) addressed the teachers virtually to disseminate the importance of literacy. He discussed this year's theme- "**Literacy for a human-centred recovery: Narrowing the digital divide**", and insisted the use of innovative and effective pedagogies to help the students cope with COVID-19 crisis that has disrupted the learning of children, young people, and adults at an unprecedented scale.

He highlighted the problems faced by students due to lack of functional literacy and suggested a few tips that can help them overcome these problems. He quoted the various benefits of reading and asked the students to inculcate the habit of reading prose, poetry, newspaper, magazine to enrich their knowledge. He asked the students to have a library of their favourite books and magazines at home. He also persuaded the parents to give books as gifts to their children on their birthdays and during special occasions and to allocate time for reading stories. He requested teachers to encourage their students to write stories and publish them in the magazines. He concluded his speech by presenting a few activities and assessments links that would be useful not only for the teachers of English but also for other subject teachers.

