

HAPPY
NEW YEAR
2024



January 6, 2024

KNOW ME FOR MY ABILITIES, WORKSHOP BY BALA VIDYA MANDIR



Mrs. Deepa Sinha and four Vana Vani students attended the "Know Me for My Abilities" workshop at Bala Vidya Mandir, Adyar, on January 6, 2024. Organized to promote inclusion, the workshop involved retired special

educators. Activities included sensory exercises, body movements, math problems, and language tasks. Participating schools included Vidya Mandir, Omega International School, Unity Public School, Vivekanand School, PSBB Senior Secondary School, Sri Sankara School, and KSN Senior Secondary School. Mrs. Sudha Ganesh Chella, founder of Diksa Learning Centre, was the main guest, making the event enriching and transformative.



NURSERY PONGAL CELEBRATION 2023-24

The Nursery Pongal celebrations kicked off with tremendous enthusiasm and joy. Vibrant 'Kolam' designs adorned the ground, while pots were creatively embellished with sugarcane and turmeric plants. The entrance was beautifully adorned with mango leaves, adding a touch of traditional charm to the festivities.

The young participants eagerly shared their insights about the various aspects of the Pongal festival, discussing Bogi Pongal, Thai Pongal, Matu Pongal, and Kanu Pongal with infectious excitement. Dressed in traditional attire, the children added to the festive spirit by dancing to the rhythmic tunes of Pongal songs, creating an atmosphere filled with laughter and cultural richness.



பொங்கல் திருநாள் 2024

ஆண்டு தோறும் நம் பள்ளியில் பொங்கல் விழா சிறப்பாக கொண்டாடப்படுவதுண்டு. அவ்வகையில் இவ்வாண்டும் 12.1.24 அன்று கொண்டாடப் பட்டது. பள்ளியின் சார்பாக பொங்கல் வைக்கப்பட்டது. முதலாம் இரண்டாம் வகுப்பு மாணவர்கள் பாட்டுப் பாடியும் 3,4,5 வகுப்பு மாணவர்கள் நடனம் ஆடியும் 6,7,8 ஆம் வகுப்பு மாணவர்கள் நடனம், நாடகம், சிலம்பம் மூலமும் 9 ஆம் வகுப்பு மாணவி பேச்சாற்றல் மூலமும் விழாவைச் சிறப்பித்தனர். நாட்டுப்பண்ணுடன் விழா இனிதே நிறைவேறியது.



January 5, 2024

CAREER PROFILING PROGRAM



The school administration initiated a Career Profiling Program on January 5, 2024, exclusively designed for Class 10 students within the school premises. The primary objective was to assist students in making well-informed decisions regarding their stream selection for Class 11 and to gain insights into career paths aligned with their individual strengths and interests.

Ms. Srividhya, a psychologist from Transcend, was invited as the speaker to guide students through the intricacies of choosing a career path. She emphasized the significance of making decisions based on personal preferences rather than succumbing to external influences. Ms. Srividhya provided comprehensive information on various higher education courses and corresponding job opportunities associated with each stream in secondary schooling.

A pivotal component of the program included a personalized assessment for each student, encompassing Aptitude, Personality, and Interest tests. The students completed this assessment through an online questionnaire, enabling a deeper understanding of their skills and interests.

The session left a lasting impact on the students, fostering a more informed perspective on career choices. The upcoming personalized individual career guidance sessions, scheduled for February 3rd on a one-to-one basis with parents, are eagerly anticipated by the students. Overall, the program proved to be highly informative and beneficial in shaping the students' career aspirations.



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PARENTS TEACHERS MEETING

A collaborative session between parents and teachers took place on January 6, 2024. The event saw a significant turnout of parents, engaging in discussions with teachers to gain insights into the academic progress and overall well-being of their children.

INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

- SRM Nightingale Matriculation School hosted the seventh edition of 'Scintilla' Q on January 10, 2024. Our students actively took part, gaining valuable exposure.
- The National Council for Hotel Management and Catering organized Essay Writing and Quiz competitions for students in Class IX and XII at their Taramani center on January 5, 2024. Students from our school actively participated in these engaging contests.

January 20, 2024

MIDDLE SCHOOL INTER HOUSE COMPETITIONS

ACTIVITY 5



On January 20, 2024, the Middle School Foyer was transformed into a hub of creativity and talent for Inter House Activity 5. The girls participated in "**Newspaper Couture,**" crafting impressive outfits solely from newspapers.

The judges were notably impressed by the originality and craftsmanship displayed. The boys, on the other hand, engaged in the "**Mime**" competition, delivering captivating silent performances that showcased exceptional teamwork and dramatic talent. Each team had the opportunity to choose one of the themes: "**Failure to Success,**" "**Life Wherever, However it Is,**" or "**Love Your Parents.**"

The event not only highlighted the diverse talents within the school but also emphasized the importance of creativity, teamwork, and sustainable practices.

The results for the events are as follows:

ACTIVITY 5 20/01/2023					
NEWSPAPER COUTURE - FOR GIRLS					
CLASS/SEC	FIRST PLACE (CAUVERY)	CLASS/SEC	SECOND (YAMUNA)	CLASS/SEC	THIRD (YAMUNA)
VI B	JIYA SHRLB	VI C	DEEPIKHA K.	VI A	SAI NIKITHA V
VII C	POORVAJA RAMAN	VII B	DAARINI S	VII C	SAMITHA E
VII C	RAKSHANA.T	VII B	NARMADHA R. N.	VII C	SRINISHA C. P.
VIII A	AKSHAYA.S	VIII C	LAKSHITA S	VIII C	THANUSHKAA P.
VIII B	SHERYL BENECIA C	VIII A	MEENAKSHI G. S.	VIII C	YASINI K.
MIME - FOR BOYS					
CLASS/SEC	FIRST PLACE (GANGA)	CLASS/SEC	SECOND (YAMUNA)	CLASS/SEC	THIRD (CAUVERY)
VI A	KEERTHIKARAN S	VI B	SANTHOSH G	VIII C	KUMARESH R
VI A	HASHWANTH. P	VI A	SAI PRASHANTH R	VIC	KRISHVAA.V
VII B	ANIRUDDHA. A. B	VII B	ASWANTH R	VIIA	AKASH.M
VII C	YASHWANTH.V	VII B	SELVA KUMAR M	VIIIB	KAVIN B.J
VII C	JABEZ SAMUEL. T	VII B	SHAUN JEREMY S	VIIIC	SAI KRISHNAN.S.P
VIII C	PRASANNA BHARGAV. K	VIII C	TAROON J	VIII C	JONATHAN V
VIII B	MUKESH KUMAR	VIII A	SAI YASHWANTH S	VIIIB	RAKSHITH.L
VIII C	DAYANIDHIMARAN. S	VIII B	YUVAN SAI P	VIIIC	GIRISH KARTHIK.O.B
VII C	KISHORE	VIII B	PRAVEEN RAJ D	VIII C	AMEEN H



observing different plants, and participated in interactive gardening sessions.

The trip continued with a visit to the New Academic Complex, highlighting a fountain and fish pond. Children observed the mesmerizing water fountain, followed by discussions on water movements and shapes. The fish pond exploration introduced them to various types of fishes, enhancing their understanding of aquatic life.

Throughout the trip, activities were designed to be interactive and age-appropriate, engaging the students through multisensory learning experiences. Safety measures were carefully implemented, ensuring a secure and enjoyable outing.

January 22, 2024

LKG FIELD TRIP

The field trip for LKG students from Sections A, B, and C took place on 22.1.24. The destinations included the Central Library at the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, where librarians engaged the children with age-appropriate stories and guided them through the children's section.

Next, they visited the Nursery at IIT Madras, featuring a vibrant garden. Here, the students enjoyed nature walk,



January 23, 2024

UKG FIELD TRIP



The UKG field trip proved to be an enriching educational experience, guiding students through various facets of knowledge. It commenced at the IIT CAMPUS, where a captivating Therapeutic Garden, meticulously maintained by the Horticulture Department, served as an insightful introduction to medicinal plants and their myriad benefits. Children engaged in discovering the healing properties of diverse plants, fostering a deeper understanding of nature's therapeutic elements.

Subsequently, the journey led them to the local Post Office, where the intricacies of postal services unfolded before their curious minds. From posting letters to comprehending speed post services and exploring saving schemes, students had the opportunity to interact with the Postmaster and postman. To enhance the learning experience, postcards were generously provided to the children, turning theory into a tangible, hands-on encounter with the postal system.

The educational odyssey continued at the State Bank of India, where students delved into the intricacies of financial transactions. They gained practical knowledge about depositing and withdrawing money, using slips as instruments of financial transactions. Display boards facilitated an understanding of currency rates, broadening their perspective on the global financial landscape.

The final leg of the expedition unfolded at a charming Aquarium nestled near the new academic complex. Here, the children marveled at the vibrant aquatic life, including large golden fishes and white fishes, providing a delightful conclusion to their exploratory journey.

In essence, the UKG field trip concluded triumphantly, leaving a lasting imprint on the young minds with its multifaceted educational insights and hands-on experiences.



January 24, 2024

COMMUNITY LUNCH OF CLASS IV

On January 24th, 2024, Class IV at our primary school enjoyed a vibrant community lunch. The area outside the auditorium buzzed with excitement as students and teachers gathered. A diverse, nutritious menu pleased everyone's palate..



January 24, 2024

TAMIL LITERARY PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

The conclusion of the Tamil Literary competitions marked a triumphant moment as Vice Principal Mrs. Princy Tom awarded books and certificates to the deserving winners. The morning assembly shone with joy as the delighted faces of the winners proudly held their well-earned prizes.

THE BUNNY TRAINING COURSE



The Bunny Training Course took place at A.G.M Higher Secondary School in Velachery, spanning from 22 January to January 24, 2024. Mrs. G. Prasanna, a participant from the Nursery department, actively engaged in the camp and successfully underwent training.

The course focused on preparing Bunny leaders to effectively conduct Bunny classes. The training covered a comprehensive theoretical session that delved into the history of the Scouts movement, the Bunny motto, the Bunny law, and the proper salute. The practical session featured the teaching of various language songs, engaging games, and interesting activities.

Participants were actively involved in hands-on learning, making the sessions both dynamic and enriching. As a testament to their dedication and completion of the course, participants, including Mrs. G. Prasanna, were awarded course completion certificates at the conclusion of the camp.

The overall experience was both interesting and informative, providing valuable insights and skills that will contribute to the effective leadership and facilitation of Bunny classes.

BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES FLOCK LEADER BASIC COURSE

Attended By: Vishnupriya.K and Dr. B Varadharajan

Course: BSG-Flock Leader (Basic)

Target Participants: Children aged 6 to 10 years

Date: 18.1.2024 to 24.1.2024

Duration: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., including one-day night stay

Location: AGM Hr. Sec. School, Velachery

Training Purpose: To empower participants in guiding young people aged 6 to 10 years towards their holistic development – physically, intellectually, emotionally, socially, and spiritually. This aims to foster responsible citizenship and active participation in local, national, and international communities.

Course Leader: Mrs. Rehana Sulthana ALT(B)

Organized by: South and Central Chennai BSG, with the participation of 18 teachers from various schools in Chennai.

Training Highlights:

Diverse Activities: The course covered a range of activities, including games, songs, claps, handicrafts, stories, and formal greeting procedures.

Comprehensive Learning: Participants gained valuable insights into effective methods for engaging and guiding young minds.

Memorable Experience: The course left a lasting impression, providing a memorable and impactful learning experience.

Forward-looking Approach: Participants expressed enthusiasm and readiness to implement their learnings by effectively training children in line with the BSG movement's overarching goals.

Conclusion: The BSG-Flock Leader Basic Course was a well-organized and enriching training program that equipped participants with the tools and knowledge needed to contribute positively to the development of young minds. The diverse range of activities and the dedication of Mrs. Rehana Sulthana ALT(B) as the course leader contributed to the success and effectiveness of the program. Participants now look forward to applying their learnings to fulfill the purpose of the Bharat Scouts and Guides movement.





January 26, 2023

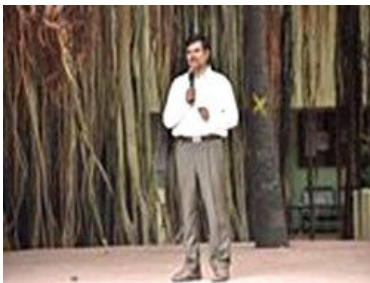
REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION



The Social Science Department orchestrated and arranged the day's events. The program commenced with the school choir from the IX standard presenting the Prayer Song and Tamil Thai Vazhthu. Aarish Udai from IX C delivered the Welcome Address, followed by the hoisting of the Flag by Chief Guest Prof. S.P. Dhanavel. The Flag song was sung with great pride and the pledge was administered by the Chief Guest.

Rakshith from VIII B delivered a speech in Tamil, while Arul Srivatsava from XI A spoke in English, both expressing their passion and love for the motherland. The Primary school students sang a patriotic song, and Nursery to U.K.G. children presented a patriotic show titled "Ezhundhidu Deasamae." Middle and high school students enacted a tableau depicting the Jalianwala Bagh massacre.

Chief Guest
Prof. S. P. Dhanavel
addressed the audience,
emphasizing Vana Vani's
commitment to providing



quality education, instilling good character, and promoting ethics. He paid tribute to freedom fighters like Lal, Bal, and Pal, as well as Tamil Nadu's own freedom fighters.

Certificates and prizes were awarded to winners of pre-Republic Day competitions, including Poster making for V standard, Facts about Republic Day for VI and VII standards, and Pencil Sketching for VIII and IX standards. Special recognition was given to Vishva Sri B. from class XI B for participating in the Republic Day Parade on behalf of the Government of Tamil Nadu.

Prathiksha Sakthivel from VII B delivered the Vote of Thanks. The entire program was smoothly hosted by Chudarvizhi D and Monisha P.S of IX B.



January 26, 2024

STATE REPUBLIC DAY PARADE

The State Republic Day Parade took place at Marina Beach on January 26, 2024, showcasing a remarkable display of patriotism and unity. In preparation for this significant event, the government formulated a plan to select students from the **National Service Scheme (NSS)** representing various educational institutions across Tamil Nadu. A camp was organized from January 17 to January 26, 2024, at the **World University Service Centre in Chetpet** to train these selected students.

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Among the participants was Vishva Sri B, a dedicated student from Vana Vani Matriculation Higher Secondary School, who was chosen to represent school education. This 10-day camp aimed to provide comprehensive training for the State Republic Day Parade, focusing primarily on NSS volunteers. Training sessions were conducted at the MCC School Ground from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm, ensuring thorough preparation for the parade.

The Tamil Nadu government scheduled three rehearsals on Marina Road in preparation for the parade. Throughout the duration of the camp, distinguished guests addressed the volunteers daily, enriching their experience and motivation. Dr. Senthil Kumar, the State NSS Officer, played a pivotal role in organizing and overseeing the camp.

The camp proved immensely beneficial for the students, fostering the development of social skills, survival skills, and personality traits - an integral focus of the NSS. Overall, it served as a valuable platform for nurturing the participants' holistic growth and readiness to contribute effectively to society.



EXCEPTIONAL MARCHING SKILLS OF NSS UNIT OF VANA VANI AT MANOHAR C WATSA STADIUM, IIT MADRAS



The National Service Scheme (NSS) unit of Vana Vani joyfully participated in the Republic Day parade hosted at Manohar C Watsa Stadium, IIT

Madras. With a cohesive team of 25 members, the students from Vana Vani demonstrated extraordinary discipline and precision during the parade, securing the esteemed third place for their outstanding marching prowess among the 10 competing contingents.

During the event, Professor Kamakotti, the esteemed director of IIT Madras, addressed the audience, commending the participants' efforts. In recognition of their achievement, he generously distributed a sum of Rs. 5000 to the Vana Vani NSS students for their exemplary performance in the marching segment.



The best cadet of Vana Vani Platoon was bagged by Hemavathy G. of XI B and she received a cash prize of Rs. 2000.



January 26,2024
FAREWELL FUNCTION OF STD XII 2023-2024
BATCH
ARRIVEDERCI' 24



Our school management hosted a Farewell function on January 26, 2024, dedicated to the XII standard students. The event commenced with the ceremonial lighting of

Kuthuvillakku by esteemed personalities including our Chairman Professor S. P. Dhanavel, Secretary-Cum-Treasurer Shri. Raman Kumar, Principal Mr. M. Sathish Kumar, High School Section Head Mrs.V.Sasikala, and HOD Tamil Mrs.C.Shanthi also joined hands for the same.

The program unfolded with a prayer song and a warm welcome speech, setting the tone for the nostalgic journey that followed. The Head Boy and Head Girl shared their reminiscences, and Mrs. Sangeetha Kannan, a Parent Volunteer from XII B (M/O Jarsana K.), conveyed heartfelt sentiments on behalf of the parent community. Class Teachers took the stage to highlight the commendable qualities of each student, with the Chairman and Secretary presenting mementos.



A symbolic gesture occurred as teachers lit candles for the students, signifying the passing of knowledge and inspiration from educators to the young minds. The lighting of candles began with the Chairman, Prof. S. P. Dhanavel and Secretary-Cum-Treasurer Shri. Raman Kumar spreading to the Principal Mr. M. Sathish Kumar, Vice Principal Mrs. Princy Tom, Section Heads, Class Teachers, Senior teachers, and eventually, the students.

A special prayer by Mrs. J.S.P. Deenavathy, HOD Biology, sought the blessings of the Almighty, encouraging the students to face challenges with confidence and emerge victorious.

The formal proceedings concluded with a gracious vote of thanks and the singing of the National anthem.

Transitioning to the informal segment, "Arrivederci," students were grouped into teams for an array of entertaining activities, creating an atmosphere of camaraderie and excitement. The auditorium was filled with laughter and joy as awards were presented alternately. The students enthusiastically participated in various games, including Ramp Walk, Dance Show, Friendship Atrocities, and many others.

Awards were distributed, recognizing talents such as Mr. & Ms. Vana Vani, Mr. & Ms. Jazzy Footwork, Mr. & Ms. Michelangelo, Mr. & Ms. Perpetual, Mr. & Ms. Mover of Mountains, Mr. & Ms. Super Jock, Mr. & Ms. Immaculate, Mr. & Ms. Courteous, Mr. & Ms. Melodious Maestro, and finally, Mr. & Ms. Arrivederci.

The day was further heightened by a video presentation encapsulating memories from the XII grade, with warm wishes from teachers and students for a successful future.

The event culminated with a vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to everyone who contributed to making the farewell a memorable occasion. Following the program, students, parents, and teachers gathered for a communal lunch in the middle school, strengthening the bonds that had been formed throughout the academic years.



ACCOUNTING WIZARD

RR Academy, a professional coaching Institute, Nungambakkam conducted an Accounting Talent Exam 'Accounting Wizard' for commerce students during the month of January. Twenty students took part in the exam. The following students received Medals and Certificates.

- Rohith R.N - Special prize
- Amirthaa varshini S - Recognition prize
- Divya srita S - Recognition prize
- Sowmya G - Future Accountant prize
- Namitha A - Future Accountant prize



January 11,2024 - January 13,2024 HEALTH CHECKUP

Vana Vani students underwent their annual health check-up conducted by a team of doctors, and comprehensive records of their health were meticulously maintained.



VAN KRIDA 2024 - INTER SCHOOL SPORTS FEST

The Van Krida 2024 – Vanavani Inter School Sports Fest, held from January 29th to 31st, 2024, at the Vanavani School Ground, was a remarkable success, exemplifying sportsmanship and dedication. The inaugural ceremony on January 29th commenced with Chairman Prof. S.P. Dhanavel cutting the ribbon, extending a warm welcome to dignitaries, and underscoring the community-building essence of sports. A heartfelt prayer and a gracious welcome address set the tone for the entire event. Chairman Prof. S.P. Dhanavel's inspiring words officially inaugurated the sports meet, creating a spirited atmosphere for days of competition and camaraderie.

The closing event, presided over by Secretary cum Treasurer Shri Raman Kumar on January 30th, showcased the acknowledgment of achievements, with the distribution of special awards and trophies across various categories. The combined efforts of participants, sponsors, and officials played a pivotal role in the success of both the inaugural and closing ceremonies, fostering memorable moments for all involved.



January 30, 2024 MARTYR'S DAY

At 11:00 am, a poignant and reflective two-minute silence was observed as a tribute to the Father of the Nation and those who valiantly sacrificed for the freedom of our nation.

January 30, 2024 E.F.I's Lakes on Wheels

The Environmentalist Foundation of India organized a Lakes on Wheels program, featuring an informative lecture on the environment, followed by a captivating video presentation. Students from classes IV to IX had the opportunity to explore the exhibits inside the mobile van.

The National Anthem served as a fitting conclusion to the festivities, symbolizing unity and the triumph of the human spirit through sports.

On January 31st, the event transitioned to the Manohar C Watsa Stadium, IIT Madras. The morning was graced by Dr. R Natarajan, IRS, Deputy Commissioner of GST and Central Excise. He declared the sports meet open, incorporating traditional elements such as the march past, lighting of the torch, flag hoisting, and athletics events.



The evening session featured Prof. Sathanarayana N Gummadi, Dean of Students, IIT Madras. He delivered the chief guest address, distributed prizes, felicitated sponsors and officials, and lowered the flag, officially declaring the closure of the meet.

The final rendition of the National Anthem marked the conclusion of the Van Krida 2024 – Vanavani Inter School Sports Fest. The seamless execution of the event underscored the dedication and collaborative efforts of everyone involved, culminating in a memorable and triumphant celebration of sportsmanship and unity.



The winners and runners of Van Krida are as follows:

WINNERS	RUNNERS
BASKET BALL (BOYS)	
Velammal International School, Ponneri	Anita Methodist School
BASKET BALL (GIRLS)	
Lady Sivaswami Iyer Girls Higher Secondary School	D.A.V. Boys Senior Secondary School, Gopalapuram
FOOTBALL (UNDER 14- BOYS)	
Santhome Hr. Sec. School	Kendriya Vidyalaya IIT
FOOTBALL (UNDER 17-BOYS)	
Chettinad Vidyasharam	Vana Vani Matriculation Higher Secondary School
HANDBALL (BOYS)	
St. Mary's Anglo-Indian Hr. Sec. School	St Peters Higher Secondary School
HANDBALL (GIRLS)	
Kavi Bharathi Vidyalaya	Vana Vani Matriculation Higher Secondary School

P S B B Senior Secondary School K K Nagar emerged as the overall championship winner, with **Santhome Hr. Sec. School** securing the runner-up position, capping off a memorable celebration of sportsmanship and unity.



ACHIEVEMENTS:



Lakshita S of class VIII C has won the Individual Championship in the Velachery Zonal Meet 2023. She secured first place in 600 mts and 400 mts. And she secured third place in 200 mts

in Velachery Zonal Level Meet 2023.



Jade Asher of class XI A secured first place in High Jump in Under-19 category in Velachery Zone Athletic Meet 2023. He secured second place in High Jump in District Level Athletic Meet 2023. And also he is representing in School

State Level Athletic Meet in High Jump.

Minishaa S of class VIII B has won Sub Junior Softball Championship held at Erode in Chennai District Level. She also received the Best Player of the Tournament for Girls. At present, she represents the Tamilnadu Softball Team in the National Championship.



Enjoy watching video of the programmes in our School YouTube channel

