

August 16 - 18, 2023

VISIT OF PRINCIPAL AND VICE PRINCIPAL FROM CAMPUS SCHOOL, IIT BOMBAY



On August 2023, the Principal and Vice Principal from Campus School, IIT Bombay, visited our institution to study our best practices and gain insights into our academic and event calendar. During their three-day visit, we engaged in comprehensive discussions on our teaching methods, extracurricular activities, and student support systems.

September 2, 2023
SPORTS DAY



Vanavani's 57th Annual Sports Day, held on September 2, 2023, at the Manohar C Watsa Stadium, IITM Campus, was a remarkable celebration under the theme "Be Fit, Don't Quit, Do It." The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Kalpana Rajesh, CEO of Billroth Hospitals, who served as the chief guest.

The day commenced with a parent and alumni event that fostered a sense of community, followed by a medal presentation ceremony to honour the achievements of our students.

The ceremony officially began with a prayer song and the school anthem, and the chief guest hoisted the flag, symbolizing patriotism and encouraging students' active participation.



The highlight of the event was the synchronized march past by the four houses – CAUVERY, GANGA, GODAVARI, and YAMUNA – with CAUVERY house recognized as the best-marched house.

The Olympic flame, representing spirit and wisdom, was kindled, followed by an oath-taking ceremony emphasizing responsibility.

The sporting events showcased the talent and dedication of our students, while the chief guest's motivational speech encouraged them to harness their skills and strive for excellence.

Awards were presented to exceptional athletes, and YAMUNA HOUSE emerged as the overall champion. GODAVARI HOUSE secured the second position, and CAUVERY HOUSE was awarded the Best Marching House Shield.

The school also celebrated the exceptional talent and dedication with a series of Individual Championships. Aditya Sudakar of VIII A and Lakshitha S of VIII C clinched the titles in the Under 14 Boys and Girls categories, respectively. In the Under 17 Boys category, Santhosh R of X A and Pugazhendi V of IX B shared the championship. Dharshana P G of X A emerged as the Under 17 Girls champion. The Under 19 Boys category saw Sharukesh K of XII C, Vishwa M of XI C, and Sharan Raj of XII A sharing the title. Lastly, Insudar J G of XII C secured the championship in the Under 19 Girls category. These students' remarkable achievements showcased their exceptional talents and dedication, serving as an inspiration to their peers. The 57th Annual Day was a testament to the school's commitment to physical fitness, teamwork, and nurturing responsible citizens, leaving an indelible mark on all in attendance.



September 5, 2023

TEACHERS' DAY

Guru Bramha Guru Vishnu

Guru Devo Maheshwaraha

Guru Sakshath Parabramha

Tasmaisri Guruve Namaha

Guru stands for the teacher who is the remover of darkness and is the harbinger of enlightenment. On September 5th the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, teacher's day was celebrated. The day was marked by a series of events and a heartwarming award ceremony.

Morning Assembly Celebration:



The day commenced with a special program organized by the students during the morning assembly. Students showcased their talents through speeches, songs, and dance performances. Additionally, three exciting games were conducted to entertain and engage the teachers, adding a joyful touch to the morning.

Official Evening Celebration:



The official Teachers' Day celebration took place in the school auditorium at 4 pm. It began with a prayer song by Mrs. Ramya and Mrs. Geetha Sukumar welcomed the gathering. Dean students, I.I.T

Madras Professor Nilesch Jayantilal Vasa was the chief guest of the day. He gave a wonderful message to follow the mantra C 3- Curiosity, Creativity and Confidence. He advised teachers to inculcate these qualities in kids.

Our chairman Professor S.P. Dhanavel and Secretary cum treasurer Shri. Raman Kumar also joined Professor Jayantilal Vasa and presented the teacher recognition awards.

The awardees were Mrs. M.N. Laila Banu from Nursery, Mrs. J.S Vijaya Lakshmi from primary, Mrs. Kumud Mishra from Middle school, Miss. Lalli from High school, Mrs. Geetha Balaji from Higher Secondary school and Mr. Jeeva from Non-Teaching

staff. Mrs. Akilandeshwari delivered vote of thanks. The occasion ended with a high tea.



September 7, 2023

TRIP TO THE AMERICAN CENTRE

On September 7, 2023, a group of 40 students from Class IX embarked on a visit to the American Centre at the U.S Embassy for an interactive session centered around the success of Chandrayaan-3. Upon arrival, they were warmly greeted and underwent necessary security procedures before indulging in some snacks ahead of the session.

The session was divided into two main segments. The initial part provided valuable insights into the process of studying in the United States, offering information on essential documents, required exams, fee structures, and the cost of living.

The second part was conducted by a distinguished professor from a U.S. university, who shared in-depth knowledge about pursuing careers at ISRO, NASA, and moon missions. This included a detailed discussion on Chandrayaan-3, where the students learned about orbital mechanics, fuel types, and mission trivia.

This exclusive event was a unique learning opportunity, with Vana Vani School representing Chennai alongside a select group of schools. The students found the experience enriching and informative.



September 8, 2023
INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY
IGNITING A LOVE FOR READING

On September 8th, Vana Vani School's Primary and Middle enthusiastically observed International Literacy Day. The focal point of the event was a captivating skit performed by fifth-grade students, demonstrating the enduring significance of books in today's age of social media. Following the skit, an inspiring speech and a melodious song underscored the lifelong value of reading for achieving success. The event concluded with a poignant tribute to Malala Yousafzai's unwavering commitment to advancing literacy and education for girls.

After this enthralling start, the fifth-graders took on the role of reading buddies for the first graders, providing invaluable assistance with their reading skills. Meanwhile, the second graders immersed themselves in

the joy of colouring their favourite cartoon characters, fostering creativity and artistic expression. The third graders engaged in lively discussions, sharing their cherished stories within the classroom. Not to be outdone, the fourth graders unleashed their creativity by designing new, captivating book covers for their beloved tales.

Throughout the day, the students revelled in a perfect blend of learning and fun, gaining a profound understanding of the paramount importance of reading in life.

Class 1 - Class 5 Students became Reading buddies for class 1.

Class 2 - Children coloured their favourite characters of their favourite stories.

Class 3 - Sharing their favourite stories in the class.

Class 4 - Redesign their favourite book story book cover.

In the Middle School students not only embraced the significance of literacy but also nurtured their young minds through the captivating mediums of drama and speech. One particularly inspiring moment was when Mrs. Anuradha delivered a speech that left a profound impact on all of us.



September 15, 2023 GANESH CHATURTHI CELEBRATIONS IN NURSERY



The school's kindergarten section joyously marked the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi with enthusiasm and deep religious reverence. The primary aim of this

celebration was to instil a sense of connection to Indian culture within the students and help them grasp the profound importance of this festival. The festivities commenced with heartfelt devotional songs, recitation of slokas (sacred verses), and an enchanting dance performance. Several children also took the opportunity to share insightful information about the Ganesh Chaturthi festival. The event was a harmonious blend of devotion, creativity, and enjoyable moments for all involved.



September 15, 2023 RED RIBBON CLUB'S "SAY NO TO DRUGS" COMPETITIONS

The Red Ribbon Club organized a soap carving and palm painting competition for students in grades IX to XII. The theme for these creative contests was "Say No to Drugs," and students participated with great enthusiasm.



SWAYAM PRABHA EDUCATIONAL CHANNEL

In a recent initiative at our school, teachers gathered in the school library to watch educational lessons offered by Swayam Prabha. Their valuable feedback highlighted the high quality and relevance of the content to our curriculum. Many teachers expressed enthusiasm about using these resources to enhance classroom teaching and student engagement.

WORKSHOP

September 8, 2023 JUNIOR RED CROSS WORKSHOP

On September 8, 2023, a Junior Red Cross workshop took place at the Vanavani auditorium, attended by Mrs. Jenibha C and around 60 teachers from various schools. Mr. Sarathy, the South Chennai District Education Officer, led the workshop.

The session began with a prayer song and covered essential information about Scouts and Guides, including prerequisites, syllabus, and examination levels. The second part focused on starting a Junior Red Cross program in schools, emphasizing first aid, health, and service. Topics discussed included uniforms, syllabus, enrolment, camps, competitions, and certificates. The workshop ended with the National Anthem.

September 16, 2023 A CLASS APART WORKSHOP



Mrs. S Prabha and Mrs. N M Latha participated in the final module of a comprehensive three-day workshop titled 'A Class Apart' for the 2023 Batch. This workshop

was arranged by the Sundaram Educational Trust in collaboration with the Principals of the PSBB Millennium group of schools. The training was facilitated with the valuable support of V Excel. A total of 32 educators specializing in primary and kindergarten education, hailing from 19 different schools, enthusiastically enrolled in this program. The first module took place from Thursday, September 14th to Saturday, September 16th, 2023.

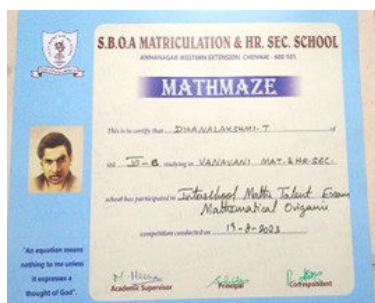
September 16, 2023 WORKSHOP BY TLC

The teachers of Vana Vani School participated in a workshop organized by the Teaching Learning Centre (TLC) at IIT Madras. The central theme of the workshop was "Shifting from Being a Teacher to Becoming a Facilitator of Learning." During the workshop, teachers gained valuable insights into the concept of multiple intelligences and acquired the skills necessary to identify different learning styles among their students. This newfound knowledge empowered them to effectively facilitate their students' learning experiences.



STUDENTS' ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN DIVERSE EVENTS

Patrician College, Adyar conducted Infinity Imagination on 1st September 2023 for classes XI and XII. Math enthusiasts from XI and XII classes participated in 'Connections Event'. This event provided students with valuable exposure to the world of mathematics, fostering their mathematical skills and imagination.



Dhanalakshmi T, a student from VI B, showcased her mathematical prowess by participating in the Interschool Math Talent Exam titled "Mathematical Origami." The event was hosted at S.B.O.A Matriculation Hr. Sec. School in Chennai as part of the "MATHMAZE" competition.

September 20, 2023 CAREER COUNSELING SESSION FOR CLASSES XI AND XII CONDUCTED BY MRS. LAKSHMI PRIYA ORGANIZER OF CAREER COUNSELING

On 20th September 2023, a career guidance session was conducted at auditorium for XI and XII students. The objective of this session was to provide students

with valuable insights into career choices and help them understand how their personality traits relate to potential career paths. The session was led by an experienced facilitator and proved to be informative and interactive.

The session began with a dynamic icebreaker activity, where students were encouraged to brainstorm and name various careers. This activity served as an engaging warm-up, setting a positive tone for the rest of the session.

Following the icebreaker, the facilitator provided a comprehensive introduction to the session's purpose and objectives. The primary focus was to help students make informed decisions about their future careers.



The facilitator then introduced the concept of different personality traits and how they influence career choices. These traits were categorized

into four pairs: introvert (I) or extrovert (E), intuitive (N) or sensor (S), feeler (F) or thinker (T), and judger (J) or perceiver (P). Students were asked to reflect on their own personalities and choose one preference from each pair, recording the respective letters as a code in their notes.

These codes were then correlated with suitable career choices, providing students with a valuable framework for exploring potential career paths that align with their personality traits.

Afterward, students were prompted to select and list three career fields that piqued their interest, in order of preference. This exercise encouraged students to consider their passions and inclinations when contemplating their future careers.

The session took a deeper dive into personal aspirations when students were asked to describe their ideal work environments and conditions. This exercise encouraged self-reflection and helped students articulate the kind of professional setting that would best suit their preferences and personality.

In conclusion, the facilitator emphasized the significance of the information shared during the session. Students were informed that this knowledge could serve as a helpful guide when making future career decisions, ensuring that they choose paths that align with their unique strengths and inclinations.

September 27, 2023

STD XI EDUCATIONAL TRIP

On the 27th of September, 2023, Class XI students from Vana Vani Matriculation Higher Secondary School embarked on an educational tour that promised a unique blend of industry exposure and astronomical discovery

The day began with great enthusiasm as students gathered at the school premises, ready for their adventure. The departure was scheduled for 5:15 a.m., with the first pit stop planned at 7:30 a.m. at Kanchipuram Sri Kamatchi Bhavan for breakfast. Students enjoyed a hearty meal to fuel themselves for the exciting day ahead.

The highlight of the tour was the visit to the Habeeb Tanning Company (Shoe Division) in Ambur. This leather factory specializes in shoe production, primarily for export purposes. Upon arrival, students were warmly received and guided through the entire shoe production process by the company's knowledgeable staff. The tour provided valuable insights into the intricacies of shoe manufacturing, highlighting the significant manual labor involved.

The visit concluded at 11:45 a.m., and the students proceeded to Zaitoon, a renowned restaurant, for a flavourful lunch tailored to their food preferences.

The second and final stop on the tour was the Vainu Bappu Observatory, an astronomical facility owned and operated by the Indian Institute of Astrophysics. Located in the picturesque Javadi Hills, this observatory houses various telescopes and instruments used for astronomical research.

During the visit, students had the opportunity to explore one of the observatory's prized possessions, a 96-inch telescope. The observatory staff provided an informative explanation of the telescope's workings and conducted a demonstration. An interactive session followed, during which students could ask questions and delve deeper into the field of astronomy. This experience greatly expanded the students' understanding of celestial phenomena and scientific research.

After these enriching experiences, students had the chance to capture memories of the day with photographs. A brief tea break followed, and at 6:15 p.m., the group began its journey back to Chennai, safe and sound.



Overall, the session was met with enthusiasm and active participation from the students. The interactive nature of the activities made the learning experience enjoyable and memorable. Students left the session with a sense of empowerment, knowing that they have the tools to make informed career choices.

Furthermore, the facilitator provided a valuable online resource for students to explore a wide range of career options: <https://www.edumilestones.com/career-library/all/>. This resource will undoubtedly aid students in their journey to discover and pursue their dream careers.

September 2023

TERM I EXAMINATION

Term 1 - Terminal Examinations were conducted for classes from I to XII.

September 25, 2023 - 27, 2023

HOLIDAY CAMP

Our school organized a cost-free holiday camp for our students for classes VI - IX from 25/09/2023 to 27/09/2023. Every day the children had two activities. It focused on the holistic development of students which included activities in Spoken English, Arts and Crafts, Mental Mathematics, Physical Education, Tamil Grammar, library book reading, English Cursive Writing, Basket weaving and Computer Hardware.

SPECIAL CLASSES

Special classes were scheduled for the students of X, XI & XII from 25. 09. 23 to 27.09.23



In summary, the Class XI educational tour to the Habeeb Tanning Company and Vainu Bappu Observatory was a resounding success. It not only provided students with practical insights into the shoe manufacturing industry but also kindled their interest in the fascinating world of astronomy. The tour was a perfect blend of education and enjoyment, leaving the students with lasting memories and a broader knowledge base. It can be concluded that this tour was indeed an illuminating and productive experience for all involved.

Enjoy watching video of the programmes in our School YouTube channel

