

VANA VANI MATRICULATION HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Greetings and good wishes to all!

Our children represent our hopes and dreams. As a parent, you want the best for your child and we are proud to be working with you to ensure that they are given the right knowledge to face future challenges. Parents, students and the school authorities are a team and complement each other's efforts.

At Vana Vani School, we always strive to create an atmosphere of reverence for education and a healthy environment where academics, sports and co-curricular activities will mould our students and spur them on to be the brightest and the best. Hence the first term was filled with both academic and co-curricular activities in this direction. This included activities like the revival of Vanfest our Inter-school Cultural Festival, full day Sports Meet, Inter-House competitions etc.

We assure you that we stand committed to the cause of Education and shall leave no stone unturned to achieve our mission. We need your faith, support and feedback in driving us further especially as we have entered in the 50th year.

Xavier Sagayanathan. A
Vice Principal

Board Toppers

SCIENCE STREAM

1. S. SANJANA	XII - A	-	1183 / 1200
2. S.KARTHIKEYAN	XII - A	-	1164 / 1200
3. N.KASTHURI	XII - B	-	1162 / 1200

COMMERCE STREAM

1. R.S.MANASE	XII D	1173 / 1200
2. ANUBHARATHI.P	XII D	1099 / 1200
3. SRINIDHI ELANGO VAN	XII D	1087 / 1200

Matric Toppers

1. S BALAMITHRA	X C	485 / 500
2. J.PRADIKSHANA	X C	483 / 500
D. KANCHANA	X C	483 / 500
3. B. SHAKTHIDHAR	X B	482 / 500

NSS :(National Service Scheme) for the year 2012, was inaugurated on 14.06.2012. The chief guest Mr.Sampath(D.L.O) motivated the students to serve others . A special orientation programme was conducted on 21.07.12 on "Human Trafficking" by Mr.Padmanaban and Mr.Alex , Social Workers for Tamil Nadu Slum Clearance Board. A special camp for NSS Girls' Unit is to be organised in the last week of September.



INTERACT CLUB: An orientation program was conducted for the interactors of 9th and 11th standards on 16/7/2012. The purpose of the orientation program was to enlighten the interactors about the work and functions of the club. It was organized by Rtn.Chidambaram Kumar who is in charge of New Generations, RCMC (Rotary Club of Madras Chennapatna) .The installation Ceremony of the Office Bearers of the club for the year 2012-13 was held on 30th July 2012. B.Shakthidar of XI B is the President and Nifasath Afshan of XI A is the Secretary of the club for the year 2012-13.



ANNUAL DAY AT VANA VANI

Vana Vani celebrated the 49th Annual Day titled "Rivers of India" on August 10, 2012. Dr.Rajeeva

Karandikar presided over the function and distributed the prizes and encouraged the toppers of 2011-12. He also delivered the Annual Day message. In his address, he urged the parents to support their children and to give them the right guidance.



INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS—FIRST TERM

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The Golden Jubilee Year for Vana Vani's celebrations started with the Investiture Ceremony on 9th July, 2012. The chief guest of the day Dr. M. S. Sivakumar Prof, Department of Applied Mechanics, presented the badges and administered the oath to the student leaders in the presence of our chairman Dr. Guhan Jayaraman and secretary Mr. Sambasivam.

Demographic achievement is of no use unless our country has educated populous.....Prof. Guhan Jayaraman , former chairperson.

The students also presented a small cultural program and Mrs. Jayalakshmi a senior teacher rendered the Founder's Day speech.

CUBS AND BULBULS: The youngest club has successfully marched into its second year of service. Every Friday, the kids are engaged in activities that develop self-discipline. One of the activities of "The Kuruvila Jacob" initiative for promoting excellence in school education is clubbed with Cubs and Bulbuls and is being carried out successfully .

Kamaraj 's birthday was celebrated on 16.07.12.

Dr. Chitharanjan Mohan Das (IAS – Chairman – Medical Recruitment Board) was the chief guest and Mr. Sridhar P.A . to the secretary, Governor of Tamil Nadu, graced the occasion .



Nursery section activities: PTA meet was held on 30.6.12. Mrs. Vasudha Prakash, counsellor and Psychologist spoke on child psychology and Pedagogy.

The tiny tots displayed various charts depicting GOOD HABITS AND GOOD MANNERS, and FRUIT CORNER for the first term. The sports meet was conducted on 18.09.12.

Dr. Kamakoti, Chairman, was the chief guest.

S. N O	Organisa-tion	Competi-tion	Winners	Class/sec	Place
1	SOF-	Drawing/ painting	Rakshitha.K	V A	merit
2	St.Michale's Academy	Children's song	Ridhi.R	I A	I
		Dance	Yashomathi. V	V A	III
			Saitha. J	VA	III
			Sheethal. S	V A	III
			Praveen. M	V A	III
			Logesh. A.P	V A	III
			Arundathi Rajan.T	VB	III
			Yamini. S.S	VB	III
			Sri Anantha Kamali. S	VB	III
			Rohit. S	VB	III
			Aishwerya.G	VB	III
			Shalini. P	VB	III
	Kavya Shri. V	VB	III		
3	Out of the Cocoon	Story Writ- ing	Akash Manu. Sreejeeth. G	I B IV A	
4	Bala Vidhya Mandir	Literary	Sandhya.M Ashwatha.V Kaveri.G Arundathi Rajan.T	III C IV C V B V B	I Con- solatio n

PTA MEETING:

A combined PTA was held for classes I to VIII on 30.06.12 at the nursery block. Mrs. Anagha Bharath from Prayatna, spoke about the learning disabilities in children and measures to overcome. The highlight of the PTA meet was the introduction of CCE system. The section-heads of primary and middle school briefed the parents on new evaluation techniques such as formative assessment and summative assessment .

INTER HOUSE ACTIVITIES - FIRST TERM

S.No	Event	Winners	Level	House	Judge
1.	The Great Debate	Deepthi Dona – 9B Aravind .S 12 B	Inters Seniors	Godavari Yamuna	Mr.A.R.Guruvayur appan Mr.S.Prakash
2.	Foot Loose		Juniors Seniors Juniors Seniors	Cauvery(1) Godavari(1) Godavari(2) Ganga (2)	Mr.Vinod Karthik
3.	Adapt Tune	Elvis. 12C Ajith- 12B		Ganga Godavari	Mr. Vinod Karthik

Independence Day

On the 15th of August 2012, the sixty fifth independence Day

*Commitment
Ethical behaviour
Public above self
Civic responsibility*

Prof: Guhan Jayaraman

was celebrated with great pomp and show .The chief guest Prof.Guhan Jayaraman , former chairperson, unfurled the national flag and delivered the speech. . Cultural programmes were performed by nursery, primary and middle school students.

TEACHER WORKSHOPS

- ⇒ Most of the Primary and Middle School teachers attended the CCE (Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation) ,Training program from 11-06-12 to 16-06-12. The training was held at Union Christian School,Chetpet,Chennai, from 9.00 am to 5.00 p.m .
- ⇒ On 19-6-12, Mrs.Anuradha attended an awareness program for “Road Safety Patrol Trainer Teacher”,conducted by TPTWP at Alagappa Matriculation School, Purasaiwalkam,.
- ⇒ Mrs.Gitanjali Elangovan and Mrs.Mohanambal attended the “Kuruville Jacob’s” module 1- an orientation programme on mainstreaming ecology and environment into school curriculum and pedagogy from 16th to July 18th. Mrs.Mohanambal attended the module-2 of the same programme.
- ⇒ Mrs.P.A.Roopaa , the librarian, attended a day long workshop on “Trends in library services “, organized by “The Science City , Department of Higher Education Chennai”, on Friday the 10th August 2012.
- ⇒ On 19.06.2012 ‘Smart Class Training’ programme was conducted for all the teachers by Mr.Paul Chandrasing, Director, Alfamega edu Technologies Pvt.,Ltd.,
- ⇒ ‘Karadi Path’ training on Magic English was conducted on 21.07.12.
- ⇒ A workshop of KIRIGAMI was held at Birla Planetarium on 21.06.12. Five students from classes 7 & 8 attended the workshop along with Mrs.Teena Anthony—art teacher.
- ⇒ Vice Principal, Mr. Xavier Sagayanathan, was the subject expert in computer science for a one day workshop for the teachers of St. John’s group of schools as part of their Teachers Day Celebrations held on 08/09/2012 at St. John’s International School.

VANFEST’12



Van Fest was the first Inter school cultural competition to be initiated in the city of Chennai way back in the 70's. This year, the festival was two days long and had 20 cultural events. The first day started off with the lighting of the lamp by Prof.Bhaskar Ramamurthi, the Director of IIT Madras. The first event of the cultural extravaganza was ‘Channel Hopper’ which was conducted by Badava Gopi. Mr.Gopi managed to make the students chuckle with his hilarious performance. Throughout the day Mr.Vinod Karthik, an alumnus of Vana Vani entertained the crowd with music. Finally, one of the most unforgettable events of the day, was a performance by Mr.Dhamu, a mimicry artist who threw light on the art of mimicking and left the audience spellbound with his talent. Whether it was a feeling of raindrops falling on the skin, or suddenly landing up in a battlefield, Mr.Dhamu made it possible with his voice. The following day started with a splash of colors and styles of Dance. BEST FOOT FORWARD was a delight as all schools rocked the stage and MCC topped them all. Day 2 was wrapped up with the winner's event, where all the winners from Adzap, Shipwreck & JAM battled it out to be the kings. And last but not least, Bala Vidya Mandir bagged the overall championship with 200 points! Mr.Prashanth Thyagarajan, Kollywood Star was the chief guest and gave away the prizes for the winners.

On 03.08.12, Bhagavad Gita Mass Chanting was held in the primary school.

SPORTS DAY: The 49th Annual Sports Day was held on 31st August 2012 (Friday) at IITM stadium. The Vice-principal of the school Mr.Xavier Sagayanathan welcomed the gathering. The secretary Mr.S.Sambasivam , declared the meet open. The Chief guest Mr.R.Bhagwan Singh (Consulting Editor-Deccan Chronicle) addressed the students .Various track and field events were held and the athletes competed in the events with zeal and enthusiasm. Various cultural programmes like mass drill, latino kuduro ,day and night rhythmic dances were exhibited by the students.

Over all winners:

Yamuna House – I

Godavari House – II

Ganga House – III

In the march past Yamuna House was awarded First followed by Ganga House.



Winners in the Central Chennai D-Zone

Event	Winners	Category
Foot Ball	Boys	U- 14, 17 & 19
Basket ball	Boys	U- 14 & 17 ,(U- 19 runners)
	Girls	U- 14
Hand-ball	Boys	U- 17 & 19, (runners U - 14)
	Girls	U-19, (runners U-17)

SPORTS NEWS:

In the Zonal Athletic meet,our school won the overall championship for the fifth consecutive year. The individual champions are : Poorani.M X A and Janani.D XII A (for the third consecutive year)

In the boys' event Peter Akash of VIII A won the 600 mts, 400 mts and secured second place in the High Jump. Our School has won the overall championship for the 16th consecutive year.

Veteran Football Association conducted football tournament for under-13 category. Our school has qualified for the semi-finals.

Evening coaching classes for chess, carrom, badminton and table tennis have been introduced in our school from this academic year. In addition to this special coaching and training classes are conducted for handball , football and basketball .

<u>Organi- zation</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Class / Sec</u>	<u>Pla ce</u>
CCHHS	High Jump	Veena.S.	VIII C	I
SAA	High Jump	Ishwarya A	VIII B	II
ZONAL	Long Jump	Veena. S	VIII C	III
	Shot-put	Sriyashini.A	VIII C	I
	Discus	Sriyashini.A	VIII C	II
	600 mts	Yuvapriya.R	VIII A	III
	4 x 100 mts	Yuvapriya.R Rakshana.S Deepika.P	VIII A VIII B VIII A	II II II

IMPORTANT NOTE:

- ⇒ **Special classes will be conducted for classes X to XII during the holidays.**
- ⇒ **The school re-opens on 04.10.2012 (Thursday).**
- ⇒ **Attendance is compulsory on the re-opening date.**

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

P.Balaji Subramoniam of VI B shined in FIITJEE exams . He was the Zonal Topper and won gold medals in Maths and Science .

Prem of VII A participated in State Level "Shot-put" competition in Kanchipuram on 23rd June 2011 organized by the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu. He secured the IVth place and won a cash prize of Rs.1500/-

Eco Club conducted the following competitions during the first term.

Candle making

Flipper Fest –drawing competition

Green Olympiad exam on 25th of August

Making paper bags

Quiz -Prelims

NEWS IN BRIEF:

On 17.7.12, Maths quiz(Prelims) was conducted for the students of class XI. In the finals that was held on 19.7.12, B.Sakthidar – XI B and T.Aaron Andrew – XI A emerged as winners. The judge was Master.Sai Malli (IIT student)

Materials Quiz:

Swathi Sri.P , Shreya.S. Karthikeyan.S of std XII got selected for the second round in Materials Quiz , held on 11.08.12

News Paper in circulation:

Times of India (Student Edition) for classes VI – VIII
The New Indian Express (Student Edition) for classes IX – XII

The on-line newspaper "**BANYAN BUZZ**" is in full spree with its monthly schedules.

Bidding Adieu / Welcome

We bid farewell to our chairperson, Prof. Guhan Jayaraman, on 17.08.12 . and also to our office staff Mr.P.Balasubramanian ,who has been serving in our institution for 32 years. We welcomed our new chairperson Dr.Kamakoti, Dept.of Computer science, IIT Madras

PICNIC:

The students of primary and middle school were taken to "Aringar Anna Zoological Park" , Vandalur on 13.08.12.

As part of a series of lectures to classes XI and XII , in the first one which was held on 18.08.12 in the Primary auditorium, Dr.Guhan Jayaraman spoke on DNA. The lectures are being organised by Dr.Kamakoti, Chairperson, Vana Vani.

TEACHERS HONOURED: Mrs.K.Veeralakshmi (Middle) and Mrs. R.Jayalakshmi (Primary) received Chandra's Endowment Award and Certificate of recognition for their dedicated service spanning nearly 30 plus years in Vana Vani. This award was given to them on 10th of August 2012 i.e. on the Annual Day.

In the second level of **All India Talent Search Scholarship Examination** held on 4.02.12, the following students received cash awards . The awards were given on the annual day.

N.Kasthruai – XII B	Rs.1000/-
G.Parvathy IX	Rs. 1000/-
P.M.Aishwary Priya . VIII	Rs. 800/-
Vyoma Mohan VIII	Rs. 800/-
P.M.Venkata Nagarjun . VI	Rs. 800/-
P.Balaji Subramoniam V A	Rs. 800/-

Teacher's Day was celebrated with full spirit. The regular assembly was taken over by the teachers followed by "Kathakali Dance Programme".by Mr.Appukkuttan and his group. A special speech was given by Mr.K.Balu, (Dean -Sri Venkateswara College of Engg. Sriperumbudur) . Games were conducted for the teachers.

We are on the Web:

www.vanavani.iitm.ac.in

S. No	Event	Organisation	Winners	Place
1	T-Shirt designing	Kalanjali (Bala Vidya Mandir)	Rajesh. J XII D Santhosh XII C	III III
2	Spin-a-year	Swirl (sacred Hearts – Church Park)	Rajesh. J XII D Krishna Reddy XII C	II II
3	ADZAP	ARM FEST Ashram	Rajesh.J XII D Krishna Reddy XII C Aravind. S XII B Suhandan.R XII B Nadeem Shaekh. XII C Karthik. A XII C	I
4	Channel Surfing	ARM FEST Ashram	Karthik.A XII C Nadeem Shaekh XII C Krishna Reddy XII C Aravind.S XII B Suhandan .R XII B Balaji. K XII B	II
5	Step it up		Krishna Reddy XII C Suhandan .R XII B Lalith. R.S. XII B Ajith. V XII B	III
6	RJ / VJ	ARM FEST Ashram	Arvind. S XII B	III
7	Adapt tune		Suhandan .R XII B Ajith. V XII B	III
8	JAM		Akash .G XI B	I
9	T-Shirt Designing		Lalith.R.S XII B Santhosh Kumar. XII C	I
10	Dumb C		Mustaan.B XII A Rajesh .J. XII D Prashanthi.B XII B	I
11	Debate Eat 'O' Mania		Rajesh. J XII D	I I
12	Treasure Hunt	ARM FEST	Karthik.A XII C Balaji. K XII B Ajith. V XII B	I
13	Quiz		Sharath Kumar XII C Lakshman Shiva XII C Mahidhar Karnam XII C	I
14	Face Painting		Gayathri.T.N XII C Santhosh Kumar. XII C	I
15	Creative Writing		Gayathri.T.N XII C Sowbarnika. M XII C	I

