

VANA VANI MATRICULATION HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL
IIT CAMPUS, CHENNAI – 600 036.



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NOTE:

- ➔ Special classes for students of Std. X, XI and XII will be conducted from 23rd to 26th of September.
- ➔ The school re-opens on 05.10.2015 (Monday) for the II Term.
- ➔ Attendance is compulsory on the re-opening day.
- ➔ **Tours:** Students of class XII will be taken on an excursion to Mysore and Coorg during the Vacation i.e., from September 26th – 30th.
- ➔ Around 20 students from classes VI to XII are participating in an educational tour to NASA – USA during the I Term holidays.
- ➔ A special Camp for NSS Girls Unit will be held during the I Term holidays.
- ➔ Medical and Dental check up for students will be conducted in the month of October.

2015 - BOARD TOPPERS

SCIENCE STREAM

1. PARVATHY.G	1148/1200
2. SRI PRIYA.M	1147/1200
3. VISHNUPRIYAN .R	1142/1200

COMMERCE STREAM

1. NAPPINNAI .D	1183/1200
2. ANUDEEPA .K.M	1179/1200
3. ANUSHA.R	1172/1200

2015 –SSLC TOPPERS

1.YUVASHREE.R	X A	494/500
2.SANDHYA.G	X A	493/500
3.YUVAPRIYA.R	X A	492/500
4.DHANYA.S	X C	492/500

BEST TEACHER AWARDS – 2014 -2015:

Vana Vani's 'Best Teacher' award for the year 2014-15 was presented to Mrs. J.S. Vijayalakshmi (Nursery) , Mrs. K. Mala (Primary) , Mrs. N. Jayanthi (Middle School) , Mrs.V. Rajalakshmi (High School) and Mr.V. P. Manohar Naraparaju (Higher Secondary School).

Mr.S.Babu (Technical Assistant and Maintenance) was presented the award for the 'Best Non-teaching Staff' - 2014-15.

Mrs. A. Krishnaveni , Mrs.V. Rajalakshmi and Mrs.S. Thirupurasundari received the CHANDRA'S ENDOWMENT AWARD.

Mrs.A.Krishnaveni was presented the BEST TEACHER AWARD by the ROTARY CLUB OF MADRAS CHENNAIPATNA on 05-09-15 at the Alumni Club, Adyar. Dist. Governor Rtn . R. Srinivasan and Rtn. Mythili Muralidharan were the special guests of the day.

ISA AWARD:

The International School Award – (2015 – 2018), an accreditation given by the British council was received by the Principal Mrs. Kaveri Padmanabhan and the ISA Co-ordinator Mrs. Geetha Sukumar at a special ceremony held in Delhi on 8th July 2015.

*LKG Orientation for parents was held on 8th June 2015. Dr.S.Yamuna gave a thought provoking speech which was very useful and informative for parents.

* On 20th June 2015, Parent - teacher meeting was held in the Nursery section.

* Eid was celebrated on 17th July 2015. Children recited verses from 'Quran' and celebrated Ramzan at school.

* An activity on good manners, good habits and cleanliness was held on 31st July 2015. Children sang songs, spoke about good habits, good manners and cleanliness. It was indeed a good show by the children.

* On 14th August 2015, Nursery celebrated Independence day. Children dressed up like leaders and did flag formation. UKG girls performed dance, sang songs, and spoke about National Integration.

Parent – Teacher Meeting:

The Primary section's parent – teacher meeting was held on 20th June 2015. Mrs.Vilasini Diwakar of MDA was the special invitee and addressed the parents on various issues of parenting. The interactive session was indeed a good start for the Primary department.

The Middle school Class Committee meeting was held on 12th September 2015. Issues regarding academics were discussed in the meeting. Parents clarified their doubts with the respective teachers.

The Class Committee Co-ordinators of IX, X, XI and XII arranged for a Parent – Teacher Meeting headed by the Principal in the month of July 2015 and briefed the parents about the various programs including tests chalked out for the year and also clarified certain queries raised by them.

Vana Vani on air

'Pleasure in leisure' designed for the "Buds and Blossoms" programme was aired on 2nd July 2015. It was an initiative by AIR to promote and appreciate the language skills of school children. Students of Middle and Primary school participated in it.

*A special coverage of the school was made by NDTV and CNN when Mr.Sundar Pitchai – an alumnus of the school was appointed as the CEO - Google.

On the 30th of July, Vana Vani paid tribute to the late Dr.A.P.J.Abdul Kalam by remembering him and his words.

தமிழ்த்துறை

முத்தமிழ் விழா:

31.07.2015 (வெள்ளிக்கிழமை) அன்று முத்தமிழ் விழா மிகச்சிறப்பாக நடைபெற்றது. மொத்தம் 28 பள்ளிகள் பங்கு பெற்றன. நீதிக்கதை கூறுதல், ஒப்புவித்தல், தனிநடிப்பு, பேச்சுப்போட்டி, இசைப்போட்டி, நாடகம் ஆகிய போட்டிகள் நடைபெற்றன. சுழல் கேடயத்தை ஆல்வின் நினைவுப் பள்ளி தட்டிச்சென்றது. விழா இனிதே நடந்தேறியது.

புனித மைக்கேல் பள்ளியில் நடைபெற்ற ஸ்ரீராம் கலை விழாவில், பேச்சுப்போட்டியில் தொடக்கப் பள்ளி நான்காம் வகுப்பைச் சார்ந்த ரா. ரிதி முதல் பரிசும், ஜெ.கா.இன்சுடர் மூன்றாம் பரிசும், நடுநிலைப் பள்ளி ஆறாம் வகுப்பைச் சார்ந்த ச.விஷ்ணு பிரகலாத் பேச்சுப்போட்டியில் மூன்றாவது பரிசும், எட்டாம் வகுப்பைச் சார்ந்த கோ. ஜஷ்வர்யா தனி நடிப்பில் முதல் பரிசும் பெற்றனர்.

வேத பாரதி ஸ்ரீ சங்கர வித்யாலயா பள்ளியில் நடைபெற்ற ஒப்புவித்தல் போட்டியில் நான்காம் வகுப்பைச் சார்ந்த ரா. ரிதி முதல் பரிசும், எட்டாம் வகுப்பைச் சார்ந்த ஜெ.அனுப்பிரியா இரண்டாம் பரிசும் பெற்றனர்.

CELEBRATIONS

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World Environment Day

'Seven Billion Dreams, One Planet - Consume with Care' is the theme of the **World Environment Day**. It was celebrated on 5th June 2015 in the Middle school. Prof. Thillai Rajan of the Dept. of Management, IITM, addressed the students.

Van Mahotsav : An initiative of the Greendream club and the Environment club of the school, the Van Mahotsav is an annual tree planting festival. It was celebrated from 03.07.15 to 10.07.15 in the Middle school. Students actively participated in various events, that made them more conscious of the environment. Dr. Babu of "NIZHAL" was the Chief Guest.

Founder's Day --- 08.07.15 --- 'Remembering Father Murphy' --- The Founder's Day was celebrated with fervor and gaiety. Mr. Rajendra Prasad, the supporting staff of the Chemistry Dept., whose retirement coincided, was honoured for his 33 years of devoted service.

Investiture Ceremony--- 13.07.15

The swearing-in ceremony of the student council took place in the school premises. Ex-serviceman Lt. Col. Jayakumar, the Deputy Registrar of IIT Madras was the Chief Guest. He administered the 'Oath of Office', to the newly elected members of the student council.

Vanavani's extravaganza -- **Van Fest , Muthamizh Vizha and Van Kids**, was conducted on 31st July 2015. It was inaugurated by the Chairman of the City Union Bank Shri. S. Bala Subramaniam. Around 30 schools participated in the Van Kids events and the Overall Championship was won by DAV Girls Senior Secondary School, Gopalapuram. 'Project Display' was an added feature of the Van Fest. In the Van Fest winner's Event, Ajith of Gill Adarsh won the prize --- a cash voucher worth Rs. 10,000/- sponsored by Annamalai Enterprises. Mrs. Tejaswini (an alumna) presided over the valedictory function.

The 52nd **Annual Day** was celebrated at SAC on 7th August 2015. The chief Guest for the day was Shri.V. Vijayan, Registrar (Admn), High Court of Madras, who gave away the prizes to the achievers. The events centered around the theme 'Stories around the world'.



Independence Day--- 15.08.15

Group Captain, Mr. Ravindran, of the Airforce Station, Sulur, Coimbatore who is currently pursuing his Ph.D in IITM was the chief Guest for the Independence Day. He recalled the vision of the late Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam, in his speech and motivated the students.

Kamarajar's birth anniversary was celebrated on 15th July 2015.

'I' organized by 'The Climber', was a great exposure and an eyeopener to S. Bhagyashri, J.Siva Shankar, Mohan Bhadrinarayanan, A. Santhosh and Jwalika Balaji of Vanavani. On the 6th of September, they were taken on a one day tour starting from IIT, where Prof. V.Kamakoti in his address talked to them about choosing a career in technology. Mr.Sam Daniel from NDTV and Mr.Veeru Murugappan, a Sports Producer from IMS enlightened them on the possibility of choosing journalism or sports for a career. They had the opportunity of going around 'Spaces'. At 'Sivam Subham' - the abode of the Late Mrs. M.S. Subbulakshmi, it was about choosing a life of music. The journey culminated in 'The Great Indian Debate' at SBOA school, Anna Nagar involving parents, students and panelists on allowing a student to choose his passion for his career.

***Alchemy – ‘Theatre for Kids’** – Started their activities from the 11th of July this year.

***Interact Club:** Installation Ceremony of the Office-Bearers happened on 22nd July 2015. The Chief Guest of the day was Rtn. Sagar Raj Narayan, Assistant Governor, who motivated the students to be very active members of the club. Interactors. Joel Monson and Bharat Menon were installed as the new President and the new Secretary respectively for the year 2015 – 16. The teacher Co-ordinators Mr. David and Mrs. Gitanjali Elangovan organized several programs.

***NSS UNIT:** On 24th August 2015, the NSS unit was officially inaugurated in the Vana Vani Primary Auditorium. Dr. Sampath Kumar, D.L.O (District Liaison Officer) was the chief Guest.

The NSS girls are active volunteers in all school programmes. They also maintain a garden and take care of it. The annual NSS camp will be held during the quarterly holidays.

***Greedom movement:** The Greedom movement team went on a ‘Cleanup’ programme on 15th of August inside IIT Campus along with the Swach IIT Campus team. They cleaned the places between Vana Vani School and K V IIT, They collected five big bags of garbage that was also disposed properly.

WORKSHOPS

For Teachers:

*KaradiPath refresher classes were conducted for the English Teachers of the Primary School on 6th June 2015 by Ms. Auxillia (Karadi Path Trainer)

*On 6th July 2015, Mrs. Leela Sampath and Mr. K. Sampath Kumar along with 50 students of class XII attended NPTEL (National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning) awareness workshop at IC & SR Building, IIT Campus, Chennai.

*On 9th July 2015, Mrs. Princy Tom and Mrs. Deepa Fredrick of the Physics Dept. attended a lecture on ‘Transforming Perceptions about Physics’ by Dr. Meera Chandrasekhar, Prof. of Physics and Astronomy, University of Missouri

***TGELF:** The Global Education and Leadership Foundation is a programme that serves to create new generation of Leaders, who are passionate about helping their communities. It fulfills its purpose by holding a series of competitions through which students can develop leadership qualities.

A Workshop was conducted for the teachers on the specialized curriculum “SKILLD” on 20th June. Mrs.M. Vijaya Abhirami, Mrs.M. Vijayalakshmi, Mrs.Kumud Mishra and Mrs. Mercy Nickson attended the session.

*The ‘WolfDog Workshop’ for inculcating Leadership qualities among students of classes 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th was conducted, Mrs.J.S.Vijayalakshmi attended the workshop and was trained on how stories can be used as a medium for showing Leadership Qualities.

*Mrs. Akilandeswari.R and Mrs. Gitanjali Elangovan, attended a four day workshop from 10th – 14th August in Mumbai organized by the British Council. It was a workshop for teachers of Social Science and Mathematics.

*Prof. Dhanavel conducted a workshop on the topic “Reflective and Effective Teaching” on 22nd September 2015 to motivate the teachers.

*Students of Std. VII participated in a workshop on 20th June 2015, conducted by the organization called 'SPACE'. Students were divided into groups and using the principle of shadow formation, they learnt the method of calculating the circumference of the earth.

*Students of classes VII and VIII of the Interact club attended a lecture on 'Dark is Divine', addressed by Fathima Lodhi of Pakistan Rotaract club of Islamabad. They also had the opportunity of interacting with her on skype. Nearly 70 students from IX and XI std. discussed the topic 'Dark is Divine' on skype.

*Prof. Dhanavel of IITM motivated the students of classes VI to XII to read the newspaper everyday and also talked about the immense benefits that they can derive out of regular newspaper reading. The layout of a newspaper, the several columns, features and contents of a newspaper were explained in a fascinating way. Thank you Prof. Dhanavel.

*In connection with the Madras week – A quiz on places of worship and religious monuments in Madras was conducted on 20th August 2015 for the students and Mrs. Agnes Lourduraj coordinated it.

*Students of classes X and XI attended a program organized by EducationUSA@USIEF, that made them aware of the various learning opportunities available in the U.S

*On 28th of August 2015, around 26 students from classes X to XII attended a workshop on preparing a 'Statement of purpose', for admissions into the universities in USA. The workshop was conducted by Mrs. Meera Seshadri, of USIEF (Senior Advisor, EducationUSA)

*Selected students from std. III to XII attended a three hour lecture demonstration conducted by IIT Music club headed by Prof. V. Kamakoti on 30th August 2015. Mr. Akella Mallikarjuna Sharma gave a lecture on how to learn music easily.

*Students of classes IX and XI had the rare opportunity of listening to Dr. Manjul Bhargava at the SAC, IIT, on how 'Music and Math' go hand in hand.

***Harmony 2015:** At the Regional level, our school students participated in 'STREET BLENDERS', a street play and got selected for the National Level competition which is to be held at Gurgaon on November 28th and 29th. The team comprises of Sandhya.G(XI-A), Rupasree.G(XI-A), Monica.B(X-A), Jwalika Balaji(X-A) and Harini (X-C).

*A career counselling program for the commerce students with regard to choosing 'Company Secretaryship' as a career option was conducted on 3rd September 2015. Mrs. Chitra Anantharaman, Deputy Director, ICSI and two other practicing company secretaries addressed the students and motivated them.

*Prior to the NASA visit, the students accompanied by the Principal Mrs. Kaveri Padmanabhan, Mrs. Princy Tom and Mrs. Reji Monson were taken to the Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota on 16th September 2015 to give them an exposure to the world of rockets and satellites. They visited the space museum at SHAR and the launch - pad. They were also taught as to how a rocket after launch, is tracked.

ACHIEVEMENTS



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In the **SRIRAM ENGLISH LITERARY COMPETITIONS** held at St. Michael's Academy on 01.08.2015, R. RIDHI of IV B and M.Sandhya of VI B won the First Place.

Dance Competition:

A Dance competition was held at St. Michael's Academy on 25.07.2015. The following students won the First Place.

S.No	NAME	STD/SEC
1.	Bhavya.B	III A
2.	Samyuktha Sri.S.V	III B
3.	Harshitha.M	III B
4.	Lekha.L	V A
5.	Nylamary.N	V A
6.	Sadhana.S	V A
7.	Lakshetha.J	V A
8.	Jainaba rifi.S.J	V A
9.	Aishwarya.S	V B
10.	Sunitaa.R	V B
11.	Kaviya.M.S	V C
12.	Yuvanika.G.N	VI C

Aishwarya.S from V B and Lekha.L from V A were crowned 'Little Stars'.

Pride of Vana Vani:

Meritorious Results in Olympiad(SOF) – (2014 – 2015):

S.No	Class/ Sec	Student Name	Exam/Rank	Medal	Gift	Cash Prize	Certificate
1.	8 B	Balaji Subramoniam.P	NCO (2)	Silver	Academic Books	Rs.2500/-	Merit Certificate
2.	8 B	Balaji Subramoniam.P	NSO (11)	-	-	-	Merit Certificate
3.	8 B	Balaji Subramoniam.P	IMO (18)	-	-	-	Merit Certificate
4.	8 B	Balaji Subramoniam.P	SilverZone IIO-(4)	-	Wrist Watch	-	Merit Certificate
5.	8 B	Balaji Subramoniam.P	NSTSE 84(National Rank)	Gold	CD,Scratch card,Olympiad Book	-	Merit Certificate
6.	1 C	Moumita Anbuchelvan	AIMS TALENT 4(All India Rank)	Gold	Gift Coupon, Book	-	Merit Certificate

INTER – SCHOOL CULTURALS

SRI VENUGOPAL VIDYALAYA.MATRIC.HR.SEC.SCHOOL

S.No	Student Name	Competition	Class/ Sec	Prize
1.	Jaimithra.S	Dance	XI A	III PRIZE
2.	Sandhya.G		XI A	
3.	Rupashree.G		XI A	
4.	Yogalaxmi.S.C		XI D	
5.	Karthiyayani.U		XI A	
6.	Ishwarya.A		XI D	
7.	Abithaa.V	Finger	XI A	II PRIZE
8.	Nivedha Suresh	Painting	XI B	

PSBB Millennium school – TARANG 2K15 (won football - second place) .

S.No	Student Name	Class/Sec
1.	Kishore Kumar.P	XI B
2.	Ganesh Kumar.S	XI C
3.	M.Venkat Narayana	XI D
4.	Kaviarasan.K	XI D
5.	S.G.Ashwin	XI D
6.	Hemachandru.K	XI B
7.	Rahul.D	XI A
8.	Muraleedharan.T	XI C

Ashram School Culturals: Armfest 2k15 – Overall Championship(3rd Prize)

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* Seshanth.N – Mr.Arm Fest and won a cash Prize of Rs.6,000/-

Winners:

EVENT	NAME	CLASS/SEC	POSITION
LIGHT MUSIC	Oviya.S	XII C1	I
	Bhagyashri.S	XII A	
	Madhumitha.V.Shenoy	XII B	
	Hamsini.S	XII D	
	Hebron Chris.R	XII C2	
	Seshanth.N	XII B	
JAM	Venkata Krishnan.K	XII D	I
RAP BATTLE	Seshanth.N	XII B	II
CHANNEL SURFING	Venkata Krishnan.K	XII D	I
	Shri Hari.S	XII C2	
	Seshanth.N	XII B	
	Seshanth.R	XI B	
	Asswanth.V.S	XI B	
	Sridharan.S	XI C	
SPEED CUBING	Sai Sree Chandra. S	XI C	II

SPORTS NEWS:

Sports Day --- Primary Section --- 17th July 2015.

Mrs. Tejaswini took the salute and declared the Sports Meet open.

Middle and High School Sports Day ---21st Aug.2015.--- The Secretary of Vanavani School

Mr. B. Nagarajan took the salute and declared the 51st Annual Sports Meet open.

Mr. Aditya Elango , an alumnus and now an International Badminton Player gave an inspiring speech and distributed the prizes.

*On 11th September 2015, Nursery Sports day was held. Mrs.Anuradha Das Gupta(Former Nursery Section-in-charge,V.V.M.H.SS) was the chief guest.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN SPORTS 2014-15

R.M. Ameer Krishnan of class VII-A has won prizes in the following Swimming competitions:

42nd Junior State Aquatic Championship in Neyveli

EVENT	POSITION
(4 x 50 mts) Free style Relay	2 nd place
(4 x 50 mts) Medlay Relay	2 nd place

32nd Sub-junior National Aquatic Championship in Pune

EVENT	POSITION
(4 x 50 mts) Free style Relay	2 nd place
(4 x 50 mts) Medlay Relay	2 nd place

Achievements in D-Zone level tournament and Athletic meet

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In the D-Zone Athletic Meet, Vana Vani Boys team won the overall championship for the 18th consecutive year and the Girls team won the overall championship for the 8th consecutive year.

The following students won the individual championship in D-Zone Athletic meet.

NAME	CLASS	EVENT
A.Vivekananda	VII C	Long jump ,High Jump ,100 & 200 mts
P. Shivani	VIII A	100 & 200 mts, High jump , Long jump
S. Veena	XI D	100 mts Hurdles , 400 mts Hurdles, Triple jump & High jump

GAME	CATEGORY	POSITION
Football	Boys (U-14 ,17 ,19)	winners
Basketball	Girls/Boys (U- 14 ,17 ,19)	winners
Handball	Boys (U-17, U -19)	winners/runners
	Girls (U-14 ,17 ,19)	winners

This year KHO – KHO was introduced (under 14 boys and girls team) and they participated in D- Zone level tournament.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We are on the Web

www.vanavani.iitm.ac.in