

# Vidyanjali's Bugle



## Principal's Note

*Learning something new every day!!*

The academic year began jubilantly with children celebrating various events. International Fruits Day & Doctors' Day were observed to enjoy their learning in the classrooms and develop a passion for learning and growing. World Environment Day & International Mud Day inculcated a sustainability mindset, and World Yoga Day created awareness in children about the significance of physical and mental well-being in their lives. In line with our commitment, events throughout the year will focus on building competencies and mindsets to raise global citizens.

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DOCTOR'S DAY

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INTERNATIONAL  
FRUITS DAY

INTERNATIONAL  
MUD DAY



## Editors

Ms Meena Reddy

Mrs Munawar Begum

Ms Angela Molly  
Thomas

Mr Nithin Zacharia

## Up-coming Events

- Rhetorics Installation Ceremony
- Sammilana
- Talents Week
- Persona
- Debate -Seniors

## World Environment Day

*Munawar Begum (Montessori Teacher)*

To make the children aware of various environmental issues like global warming, deforestation, pollution, and accumulation of non-Bio-degradable waste, World Environment Day was celebrated from Pre-primary Montessori to Grade 10 classes at Vidyanjali Academy for Learning on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

In Pre-primary Montessori, to add impact to the celebration, a school tour was organised to help them learn about the names of different trees and plants in the school environment for the first-year children. The second-years did a leaf printing activity and created beautiful patterns, and the third-years sowed seeds in a glass bottle using cotton.



In Primary Montessori, grade I children sowed seeds, grade 2 made paper bags and grade 3 made best out of plastic waste. CBSE Grade 1 children sowed the seeds, Grade 2 made a chart on 'No water, no life; No blue, no green' using pista shells, and Grade 3 learned to understand how teamwork is important and how we can work together. They planted saplings.

Students of CBSE grades from 4 to 10 celebrated in assembly. The Vice-principal, Ms Meena



Reddy, spoke about the destruction of nature. An open discussion was held on the causes of environmental pollution that are affecting our atmosphere, the effect of global warming and the role of greenhouse gases in which students and teachers participated. Ninth-grade students performed a skit to spread awareness connecting to the theme by following the 5 R rule (refuse, reduce, reuse, repurpose, recycle). The event motivated youngsters to live in harmony with nature and become custodians of a green future.

## International Yoga Day

*Nithin (CBSE Teacher)*

International Yoga Day was celebrated on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023, to join the rest of the nation and the world in coming together to practice mindfulness and flexibility through India's most popular soft power, Yoga. Professional Yoga instructors from the city were called in to handle the session.



The students participated actively with coherent



synchronization, taking in the essence of being one with the nature around us. The children could also recall some of the asanas the Acharya had taught them last year.

The glow on their faces as the session was ending spoke volumes about yoga as an effective way to relax and exercise.

## Parent Orientations

*Angela, Nithin & Munawar Begum  
(CBSE & Montessori Teachers)*

### **Prep 2 & 3**

The school auditorium was abuzz with excitement on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2023, as parents of Prep 2 and Prep 3 children gathered for the Orientation program. Vice-Principal, Ms Meena Reddy and Mrs Lakshmi addressed the parents.

Parents understood how they could actively participate in their child's educational journey and contribute to their overall growth. They carried back with them a deeper understanding

of their child's development, the school's norms, and their role as active partners in their child's education. Their enthusiastic participation and eagerness to learn were truly commendable.

### **Pre-Primary Montessori**

Parents were invited on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2023 to orient them about the Preprimary Montessori curriculum and their functioning and also to create awareness about how the child develops holistically in a Montessori Environment. Parents learnt that in the Montessori environment, children would learn alertness, self-control, patience, discipline, attention control, working memory, inhibitory control,



and cognitive flexibility.

The parents learnt that they can contribute by not comparing their children with others, and pick up ideas from 'Take Montessori Home', which has activities which they can do at home.

### **Primary Montessori**

To provide parents with an understanding of the Montessori philosophy and its implementation in Primary Montessori classrooms, 1<sup>st</sup> Orientation was conducted on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023 by Dr Rekha Reddy, the director of Vidyanjali Academy for Learning, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Orientation was

conducted on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 by Ms Swathi L Reddy, the Administrator of Primary



Montessori. The orientations helped the audience understand the stages of development, characteristics and needs of a Primary Montessori child, making the child independent, enforcing rules, and disciplining the child with anecdotes from the Montessori classrooms. They also learnt that Montessori children are exposed to various cultures and subjects from around the world to spark their curiosity. Parents learnt how to actively participate in their child's educational journey and reinforce Montessori principles at home.

## Debate Championship

*Angela (CBSE Teacher)*

Words took centre stage as Vidyanjali children used wits and valour to debate in one of the biggest debate championships in India, Verbattle 2023. Young and talented student speakers, Bhavita Saanvi and Dhruva Agastya from VI-grade, took part in the English Beginner category of the event for the very first time.

The first round, Skirmish, held on the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of June, saw over 130 participants aged 8 to

12 from schools across Bangalore battle with words and wits, speaking for and against a wide variety of statements.

The children's stellar performance earned them a spot in the intense Combat round, where only 27 teams were selected. The training and mentorship provided by Mr Nandesha proved helpful for the children to think on their feet. The experience helped them grow and prepare for a tougher battle next year.



## Doctor's Day

*Munawar Begum (Montessori Teacher)*

Doctor's Day provides an opportunity for young children to learn about the importance of doctors in society to provide health awareness among children and to maintain sound health. Pre-primary celebrated Doctor's Day on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023. On the day of the event, Dr Bharath, a general physician, spoke about self-hygiene, good manners, good habits, and healthy and unhealthy food for children. He showed the stethoscope to the children and explained its use. Dr Bharath demonstrated how to wash our



hands before and after a meal. Children listened to a song on how to brush their teeth. The children were very enthusiastic about the session.



## International Fruits Day

*Munawar Begum (Montessori Teacher)*

To enhance children's comprehension and ignite their curiosity, Primary Montessori organized "International Fruit Day" on June 30, 2023, as an extension to the Montessori biology curriculum. The event aimed to deepen students' understanding of fruits, including their parts, types, and varieties, while promoting awareness and appreciation for the diverse array of fruits found worldwide.



During the celebration, the teachers emphasized the significance of the day, introduced the motto, and highlighted the fruit of the year, which was lemon. They also discussed the numerous benefits and nutritional value associated with consuming fruits. Following the informative presentation, Grade-1 students embarked on a tree walk within the school campus to explore different types of trees. Meanwhile, Grade 2 and 3 students received lessons on the parts of fruits and types of fleshy fruits. The children thoroughly enjoyed the engaging activities and gained valuable knowledge about fruits.



After the presentations, Grade 1 students expressed their creativity by drawing fruits, while Grade 2 and 3 students engaged in creative writing activities centred around "International Fruit Day." The session proved to be interactive and informative, leaving a lasting impact on the students' understanding and appreciation of fruits.

## International Mud Day

*Nithin (CBSE Teacher)*

International Mud Day was celebrated on Friday, the 6<sup>th</sup> of June, by the students of Prep 2 and 3. The event was conducted so that children grow up to have a bond with the earth and its soil.

The children went to the open playground to watch and interact with the professional pot maker as he started his electric clay wheel. While all eyes were on how the pot was being made, the potter called up the children one by one, held their little hands and helped them mould their own clay pots.

Each child took home a clay cup that they made themselves, customized with unique designs and engraved with their names. At the end of it all, the children returned with a memory they could cherish for a long time.



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