

Vidyanjali's Bugle



Principal's Note

The students of today are the leaders of tomorrow!

The recent endeavours undertaken by Vidyanjali - The "School Pupil Leader Elections" and "Celebrating our city's Traffic Police" fostered leadership and civic responsibility among our student body. The Investiture Ceremony was a significant milestone, empowering the students to embrace their roles as responsible citizens. In line with our commitment to ethical conduct, a workshop was organized to emphasise the importance of integrity during examinations. Additionally, our celebrations of Makara Sankranti and Republic Day reminded us of the rich cultural heritage and patriotic spirit that define our nation.

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Makara Sankranti Celebration

Munawar (Montessori Teacher)

To foster cultural unity, promote traditional values, and educate children about harvest festivities, Pre-primary Montessori, Preparatory, and Primary Montessori celebrated Makara Sankranti on January 12, 2024.



The Preprimary Montessori children explored the rich tapestry of harvest festivals across states, uncovering the significance of crops during Sankranti. Preparatory children delved into the importance of celebrating Makara Sankranti through engaging videos, and children shared how they celebrate the festival at their native place. Primary Montessori children undertook a comprehensive exploration, learning about seasons, the sun's journey, and the unique ways Sankranti is celebrated in different states.



To heighten the festive spirit, Pre-primary children flew kites, creating a colorful spectacle. Prep-II crafted 'Kite Coasters,' and Prep-III fashioned 'Kite Pouches' creatively. In Primary



Montessori, Grade 1 children crafted vibrant paper baskets, while Grade 2 adorned surroundings with colorful Rangoli using chalks. Children actively participated in making Ellu Bella, joyously distributing it among peers and teachers, conveying the traditional message.

Going-Out

Munawar (Montessori Teacher)

Pre-primary Montessori: To instill a deep understanding of law enforcement, II and III-year children visited the police station on January 17th and 18th, 2024. They learned about the important duties of officers, discovered how tools like rifles and handcuffs work, and grasped the concept of community safety. The outing taught them about being good citizens, showing respect, and the importance of calling 112 in emergencies. It instilled great admiration for

these 'SUPER HEROES' who ensure community safety.



Primary Montessori: Making math fun, I, II, and III std enjoyed a special trip to a local supermarket on January 10th and 11th, 2024. Grade 1 children wisely spent ₹40 each on stationery and snacks. Grade II and III children collaborated to invest ₹90 each towards Ellu Bella ingredients for Makara Sankranti. This effort connected students with cultural traditions and enriched their understanding.



Post the visit, Grade I focused on basic addition and subtraction word problems, while Grades II and III delved into metric conversions using their bills. Children demonstrated swift calculations and thoughtful decisions within the time and budget.

Preparatory: On January 17th Prep 2 and Prep 3 children embarked on an exhilarating hike to Anandgiri hill. The children eagerly explored the natural surroundings, sharing observations of trees, rocks, and plants. From the hilltop, they discerned various elements, including houses and streets, fostering a unique perspective.



The Banyan tree, our National tree, became a hands-on learning experience as the children touched and felt its robust roots. They also discovered paintings on rocks depicting elephants, snakes, and birds. A circle time during snack break allowed the children to discuss their observations.

The descent was undertaken carefully, with a return to school by 11 am. This outdoor excursion provided a sensory-rich experience, enhanced communication skills, and deepened the children's appreciation for nature.

SPL Elections

Brinda (CBSE Teacher)

The electoral process for the School Pupil Leader elections at our school unfolded systematically. Initiated by the Election Committee, the Chief

Election Commissioner determined the election dates and criteria for candidate eligibility. Grade IX students were invited to file nominations, and after a careful selection process, final candidates for the position of SPL were introduced, and the election campaigns commenced. The electoral silence was observed before the polling day on Thursday, January 18th 2024, and the election results were announced the next day.

The Election Committee set the criteria for candidate eligibility based on leadership qualities, academic excellence, moral values, and discipline.



The voting process, overseen by the Election Committee Members and various teachers, ensured that it proceeded according to the plan. Attendance records were meticulously maintained, and the entire electoral event was well-organized, culminating in the submission of vote counts to the Principal. The entire process, from voting to result announcement, was conducted efficiently and transparently,

contributing to a successful democratic experience within the school.



Republic Day and Investiture Ceremony

Brinda (Montessori Teacher)

The Republic Day and Investiture Ceremony, a significant event in the school calendar, commenced at 8:30 am with meticulous preparations undertaken a week prior. The esteemed guests, Mr. Lokesh Reddy and Ms. Swathi Reddy, graced the occasion. Susheel Chourgudi, the Master of Ceremony from VIII standard, initiated the proceedings, followed by a thoughtful discourse on the day's significance by Preetham Chatnihal of VII standard. Mr. Lokesh Reddy proudly unfurled the Tricolour and received the salute from the parade, led by house leaders Agni and Bhoomi for the academic year 2023-24, which symbolized unity and discipline.



Principal Mrs. Vijayalakshmi then inducted the newly elected Student Council members by administering the oath, emphasizing the responsibilities entrusted to them. The newly elected teachers followed that up with a disciplined march past. Reflecting on his term, the outgoing SPL, Himesh Panda, shared valuable insights from his leadership journey. The newly elected SPL passionately outlined her manifesto and vision for the school. Students learnt about the Preamble of the Constitution, Dr. Ambedkar's democratic choice, and the five-finger rule, known as Panchasuthra.



The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Afreen Mohammed. The newly elected leaders signed the oath-taking forms, solidifying their commitment to uphold the principles and values of their leadership roles. The day was a harmonious blend of tradition, inspiration, and patriotic fervor.

Workshop on Ethical Practices and Academic Excellence in Exam

Bincy (CBSE Teacher)

The 2-hr workshop held on 16th Jan '24, aimed to inspire and educate students of IX and X std for



exams while emphasizing ethical standards. Dr. H.S. Ganesh Bhatta, an experienced educator, initiated with a thought-provoking question on energy. Throughout, he stressed individual work capacities, ethical conduct, and the three A's: Achievement, Aptitude, and Attitude. Students learned about the detrimental effects of

unethical practices and the importance of integrity.



Dr. Bhatta cautioned against cheating habits and discussed the psychology behind malpractices. The session also focused on positive thinking, motivation, and practical exam strategies. Dr. Bhatta encouraged collaborative learning and imparted effective study skills like note-taking.

It culminated with the mantra: Dream, Determine, Dedicate, and Discipline. His expertise resonated with students, who sought advice on concentration and benefitted from his wisdom. Overall, Dr. Bhatta's session provided invaluable insights, empowering students for exams with confidence, integrity, and commitment to excellence.

Community Action: Traffic Safety

Event

Meena (Vice-Principal)

On January 31st, 2024, CMCA arranged a special event to help students of VIII std feel more

connected, grateful and less fearful of the traffic police. They brought together police officers and students to talk about following traffic rules. Around 27 officers from different stations of Bangalore came. The Commissioner also joined, along with students from almost twelve schools. CMCA sponsored snacks for everyone, and students shared their thoughts.



Vidyanjali's students got a special opportunity to welcome the commissioner and also express their gratitude to the police. They learned they can call 112 for help from the traffic police. They also realized how hard the traffic police work, handling lots of traffic with few staff. Grateful for their efforts, the children promised to follow traffic rules and encourage others to do the same. This event made everyone feel more connected and reminded children about their role in keeping roads safe.