

Vidyanjali's Bugle



Principal's Note

Excellence is a way of life at Vidyanjali!

The spirit of excellence reflected once again through the prestigious award presented to our Director Dr S Rekha Reddy for her outstanding contributions to education. The Career Guidance Programme at Vidyanjali for Class X students helped them make informed decisions about their future paths. Educational trips enriched learning by connecting concepts to real-life experiences, making learning enjoyable. Doctors' Day and International Fruits Day were observed to build awareness and foster a growth mindset. Parents were empowered through orientation programs that strengthened the home-school partnership.

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International Fruits Day

Anjori (CBSE Teacher)

The Lower Elementary Department celebrated International Fruits Day on 1st July, 2025, at the Bulbul environment. The objective of the event was to help children understand, explore, cut, and eat fruits while learning their nutritional value.

On the day, tables were arranged with placards for Grades I, II, and III in their environments, equipped with plates, spoons, and tongs for self-serving. Fruits such as jamuns, mangoes, and pomegranates were provided. Teachers initiated the program by explaining the significance of the day, sharing facts about fruits, and highlighting their health benefits. Grade III students participated actively by cutting mangoes and peeling pomegranates, while all grades enjoyed serving and eating the fruits.



The session was interactive and engaging. Students not only enjoyed tasting seasonal fruits but also developed awareness about healthy eating and the importance of including fruits in

their daily diet. The celebration successfully combined learning with enjoyment, reinforcing Montessori principles of hands-on exploration and fostering healthy food habits among young learners.

Doctors' Day

Sumeetha (CBSE Teacher)

On Tuesday, 1st July 2025, Montessori Primary along with CBSE students, celebrated Doctors' Day with great enthusiasm to help young children understand, appreciate, and develop gratitude for the role of doctors in keeping us healthy and safe. In the Gulmohar environment, Dr Nida Shaik, accompanied by Dr Farzeen, conducted an engaging session on dental hygiene through interactive questions, a brushing rhyme, and colorful charts. She demonstrated effective brushing techniques and distributed special children's toothpaste to each child. Children enthusiastically repeated messages like brushing twice daily and avoiding junk food.



In the CBSE section, Dr Manjusha Nambiar, Associate Professor, Department of Periodontics, Sri Rajiv Gandhi College of Dental Sciences, was invited on 20th June to speak on dental care. Dr Manjusha explained the importance of doctors, dental hygiene, and healthy eating through a PPT and video demonstration. Children received toothpaste samples and keychains from Pediflor Company. Students showed their appreciation for doctors by creating colourful and heartfelt Thank You cards.



Both events were well-organized and successfully executed. Teachers ensured smooth coordination, gifts, and refreshments. The celebrations helped children learn essential oral care habits while fostering respect and gratitude toward doctors.

Parent Orientations

Soyena (CBSE Teacher)

The Parent Orientation Programmes for Montessori Primary (1st, 2nd, 3rd year) and CBSE

Grades 2, 3, 7, and 8 were successfully conducted to strengthen the school-parent partnership. The sessions aimed to familiarize parents with Montessori education, daily routines, school policies, and the philosophy guiding holistic child development.



The Montessori Primary session was conducted on led by Dr. S. Rekha Reddy included interactive activities where parents reflected on educational approaches and discussed academic pressure on children. Key Montessori principles such as Human Tendencies, Sensitive Periods, Absorbent Mind, and Essential Needs of a Child were explained. A video illustrated progressive independence in children. Teachers detailed the daily routine, work cycles, snack and lunch timings, circle time, and general guidelines for parents. Practical parenting tips emphasized skill development, concentration, and independence over rote academics. The session concluded with a Q&A on future Montessori extensions. Parents

were guided through the activity room, showcasing language and hands-on learning materials. Parent Orientation Programmes were also held for CBSE Grades 2, 3, 7 and 8 in their respective classrooms by the class teachers. The school's vision, mission, achievements, core values, extracurricular activities, and policies were presented to the parents.

Both programmes were highly interactive, combining presentations, activities, and demonstrations. The sessions successfully oriented parents to the Montessori approach, school policies, and the collaborative journey ahead.

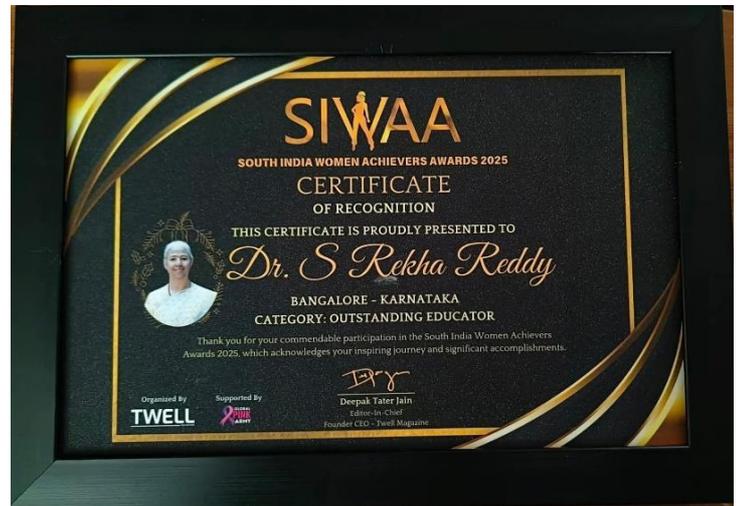
Outstanding Educator Award

Sathyaa (Montessori Teacher)

Vidyanjali Academy for Learning is thrilled to celebrate a remarkable milestone and honour its esteemed Director, Dr S Rekha Reddy, who received the prestigious SIWAA (South India Women Achievers Awards) 2025 Outstanding Educator Award. Presented by Twell in Chennai on 6th July 2025, this accolade recognized her outstanding contributions to the field of education and her unwavering dedication to nurturing young minds.

The SIWAA is an event that recognizes and celebrates the achievements of women in South India by recognizing their potential and

encouraging their efforts and also foster gender equality.



Dr. S. Rekha Reddy's recognition at SIWAA underscores the importance of dedicated educators who prioritize innovative methods that align with brain development milestones. At Vidyanjali, we are proud of her achievements and remain committed to empowering children through quality education, inspiring a new generation of confident, creative writers and thinkers.

Vidyanjali's Gavel Club Installation Ceremony

Sathyaa (Montessori Teacher)

Vidyanjali organized the 23rd Installation Ceremony of its Gavel Club, an affiliate of Toastmasters International, USA, for teachers on 19th July 2025. (Gaveliers from Vidyanjali competed with toastmasters from the Beechi club in a speech contest that exhibited their

communication skills. The judging panel included the Chief Guest, Wellness Coach and public speaker Dr Suchitra Kaul Mishra, Gavel Club mentor Mr. Satyanarayana Raju and esteemed Director, Dr S Rekha Reddy. The presence of esteemed Principal, Mrs. Vijayalakshmi, alongside enthusiastic Gavel Club participants from both Vidyanjali and the Beechi Toastmasters Club, made the event even more memorable.

place). The formal installation of new members and the presiding body was a proud moment, symbolising the start of another dynamic term of learning, collaboration, and growth. The occasion reinforced Vidyanjali's strong commitment to nurturing articulate, self-assured educators who are well-prepared to make a positive impact in their school community and beyond.



Going Out

Sathyaa (Montessori Teacher)

On 17th July 2025, Montessori students visited the fire stations for Montessori Primary students (2nd and 3rd year children). Students explored the fire station, and learnt about fire extinguishers, fire sprinklers and alarms, siren, branch pipes, ropes and fire hose reels. They got to see the different emergency vehicles including water bowser, Water Lorry, MRV (Mini Rescue Vehicle), QRV (Quick Rescue Vehicle), Agni and Snorkel

The awards for the speech contest were bagged by Gav. Nafisathul Misriya (1st place), Gav. Parveen Banu (2nd place), and Gav Vivek Balakrishnan (3rd



(Ladder Tower Vehicle). The children learned when and how to call the emergency number 101. They also watched a live demo of how fire hoses and sirens work.

Montessori Lower Elementary

On 21st July 2025, Montessori Lower Elementary organized a Going Out activity for Grade I children to the Botanical Garden at the University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK. This enriching experience provided the children with hands-on learning aligned with classroom lessons, enabling them to observe, explore, and inquire in a natural setting.



During the visit, students enthusiastically observed various plant species, identifying different types of leaves. They noticed a few mushrooms, as well as insects, frogs, fish, monkeys, and birds in their natural habitat. A special highlight was the visit to the Orchidarium, where children saw a wide variety of orchids and learned about their unique characteristics. The

fresh air and natural surroundings contributed to an engaging and joyful learning experience.

On 22nd July 2025, another experiential learning was planned for the Grade II and III children to the lush botanical gardens of Lal Bagh. This enriching journey was designed to deepen their understanding of the Kingdom Plantae, while nurturing their natural curiosity and sense of wonder. After enjoying their morning snack amidst nature, the children eagerly began their exploration. The highlight of the visit was the immersive Tree Walk. Surrounded by towering trees and the refreshing fragrance of flowers, the children were captivated by the vibrant ecosystem. They observed the structure of leaves, touched the textured bark, and spotted a variety of birds, flowers, and insects. They learned about the role of mountains in the landscape, engaged in hands-on activities, and asked insightful questions that reflected their curiosity and growing knowledge.



Educational Trip for Prep I & II

Sathyaa (Montessori Teacher)

On 25th July 2025, an educational trip to Rangoli Gardens was planned for CBSE Prep 1 and Prep 2 children. Students explored the model village, and teachers explained each aspect and the importance of each community helper in the society. Children were enthusiastic and listened keenly as it was totally a new world when compared to this present electronic world.



Each statue portrayed the occupation and livelihood of the villagers and looked as if it was virtually true. Occupations such as pottery, carpentry, masonry, weaving, and mending intrigued the students. Along with this, students also explored Gurukuls (school), village panchayat councils and learnt about sports such as bull chasing which exhibited bravery and valour. Village markets, santes and grocery shops enthralled their quest for knowledge. Students raised their doubts and listened transfixed during

explanation. Through these experiences, children not only expanded their understanding of flora and fauna but also about the local heritage, culture and lifestyle.

Parent Presentations

Sathyaa (Montessori Teacher)

Vidyanjali hosted its Term 1 Montessori Primary Parent Presentations, creating a warm and interactive space for parents to step into their child's world of learning. The event offered a wonderful opportunity for parents to experience the Montessori method firsthand through engaging, hands-on activities. From exploring educational materials to understanding the purpose behind each exercise, parents gained valuable insight into how their children develop independence, focus, and curiosity in the classroom. The lively atmosphere was filled with conversations, discoveries, and shared moments,



making it not just an informative session, but a heartwarming celebration of the learning journey.

Rhetorics Gavel Club Installation Ceremony

Sathyaa (Montessori Teacher)

The 11th Installation Ceremony of the prestigious student-led Rhetorics Gavel Club, an affiliate of Toastmasters International, USA, was held on 26th July 2025. The Induction and Installation Officer, Gav. Sonia, inducted 16 new Gaveliers, formally relieved the office bearers of 2024-25, and installed the newly elected leaders for 2025-26. The programme concluded with awards and heartfelt reflections, leaving the newly inducted members motivated and eager to grow with the club.



Career Guidance Programme

Sathyaa (Montessori Teacher)

Vidyanjali organized the Career Guidance Orientation Programme on 28th July 2025. The session was conducted by Mr Shameer C K,

Consultant Career Counsellor from Thrissur, Kerala. Mr. Shameer, Consultant Career Counsellor initiated the programme with an insightful introduction on the difference between jobs and careers, emphasizing the importance of choosing the right career path. Parents actively participated by raising queries about career dilemmas, which were addressed with clarity by the counsellor. An online quiz for parents further highlighted the critical stages when career choices should be guided. Following the orientation, students undertook Aptitude Tests to help assess their strengths and career inclinations. To ensure personalised support, one-on-one counselling sessions were held from Monday, 28th July, to Saturday, 2nd August. During these sessions, students received tailored guidance to help them make informed academic and professional choices.

