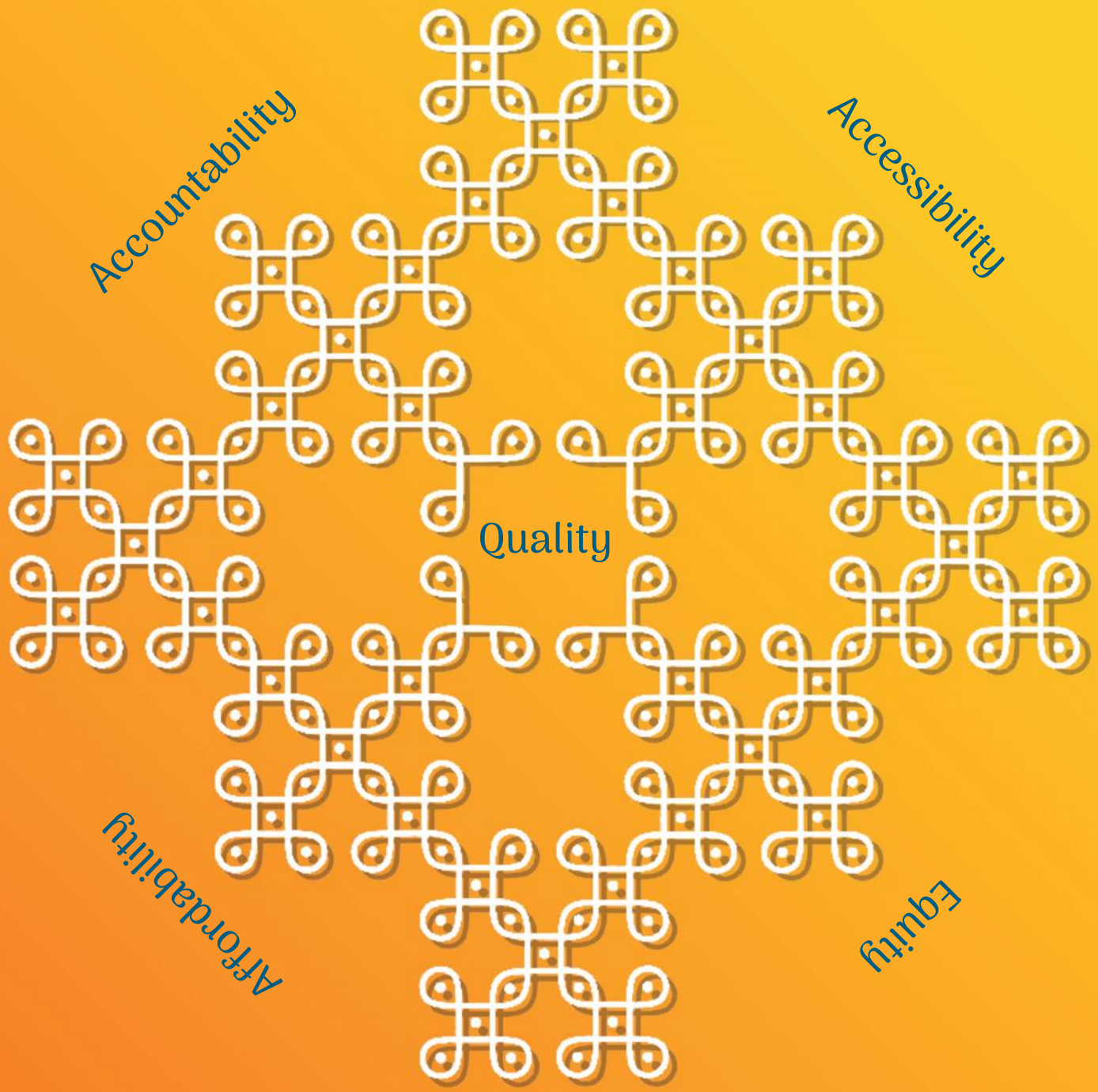
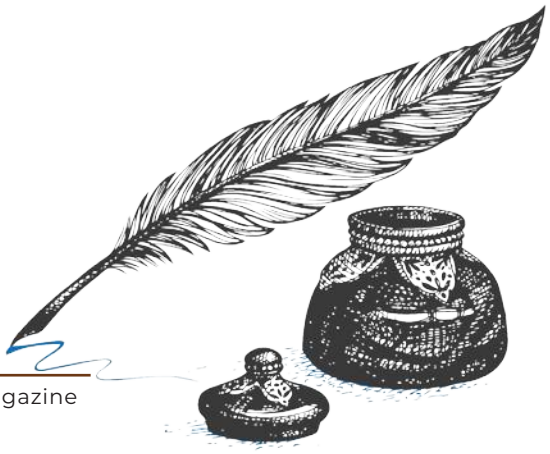
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Pulli Kolam consists of continuous lines that connect various elements within a design. It embodies a rich interplay between mathematics, psychology, culture, and ecology. This not only serves as a scientific discipline that highlights its significance beyond mere decoration. It also conveys deeper meanings associated with unity and harmony.

Our National Education Policy 2020 vibrantly proposed various reforms in school education, higher education as well as technical education that all educational institutions need to adopt.

The five guiding pillars of NEP 2020 are as follows:
Equity: *Ensuring equally high outcomes*
Quality: *Holistic approach to education*
Accessibility: *Equal access to quality education*
Affordability: *Premium education to all*
Accountability: *Ensuring transparency and answerability*

Just as Pulli Kolam weaves diverse elements together into harmonious patterns, our cover page reflects the five guiding pillars of **NEP 2020** *to create a cohesive and inclusive environment for education at our Pantheon of Learning.*

-Yuvasree S, Grade XI



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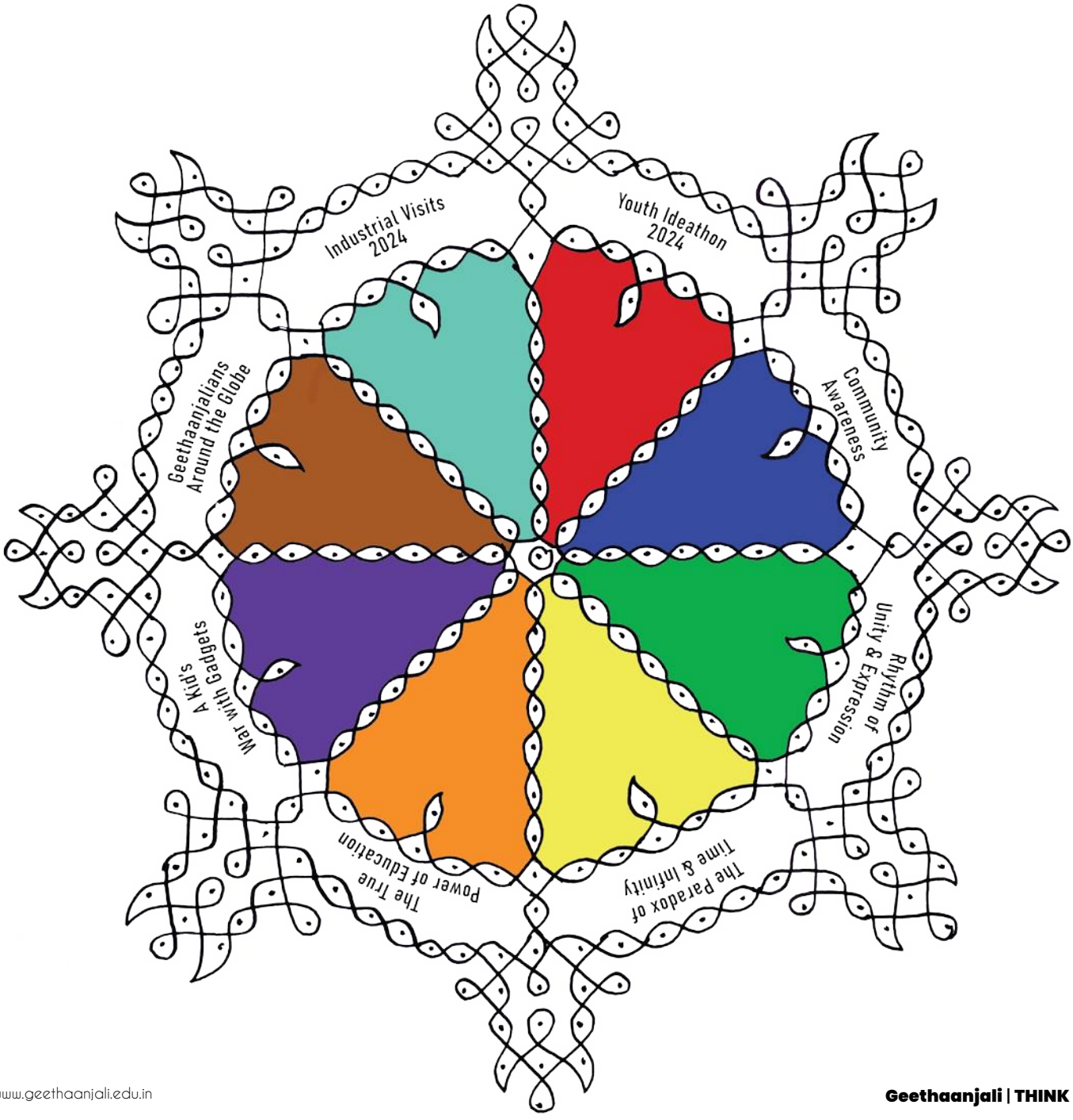
From the
Editor



Amid the ever-evolving landscape of education, where innovation and ideas converge, THINK stands tall as a vibrant testament to the boundless potential of imagination and thoughtful exploration. This edition of THINK magazine embodies the essence of education as a beacon of creativity and learning, showcasing the vibrant soul of Geethaanjali! As the pages of this magazine unfold, they promise to transport you into a dynamic world of ideas, imagination, and inspiration-a kaleidoscope of our collective year-long journey.

Each year, THINK transcends being merely a collection of creative works. It reflects not only our dedication and hard work but also our ability to dream beyond the ordinary and challenge the boundaries of our own potential. This year is no exception. From thought-provoking essays to evocative art, from innovative projects to literary gems, the content of this edition celebrates the power of creativity and curiosity. May this edition of THINK be a catalyst that fuels (y)our aspirations, ignites (y)our creativity, and inspires one to embrace the boundless possibilities ahead.

-Ishwaryaa Ravikumar, Grade XII



From the
Management



-HARI GOBALAN

Greetings Students, Parents, Staff and our Geethaanjali family,

This year has been a remarkable year in many ways-academic excellence, athletic triumphs, creative collaborations, and our outreach to local communities, among others. All these laurels embody the strength and spirit of Geethaanjali. And each passing year giving us the wisdom and unwavering dedication to **"bring out the best in every child."**

I look forward to this opportunity every year when I get to reflect on our school's journey over the past year and how I can shape the next. I witness our Geethaanjalians excel, explore their curiosity, learn, and apply themselves to be the best of their abilities. I also have the vantage point to observe what our Geethaanjali family needs to rise to the challenges of the coming year.

We will invest in latest teaching methodologies, technologies of tomorrow, experiential learning spaces that foster creativity and sports infrastructure that enable our students to excel. Along with me, the management team and our resolute staff will create an environment where students can thrive.

As I close, my gratitude,

To our parents, thank you for your unwavering support and trust in us. Your partnership is integral to our shared mission of guiding our students toward their fullest potential.

To our students, I encourage you to take pride in your accomplishments, take full advantage of opportunities created for you, have fun, and enjoy the learning process.

To our staff and faculty, thank you for your dedication and passion. You are the foundation of our school, and your impact on the lives of our students is immeasurable. Your commitment to nurturing not just minds, but hearts, has been truly inspiring.

With soaring spirits and a clear path for the coming year, let us join hands and make it a momentous new chapter for Geethaanjali.

Panta Rhei and the Way We Learn

The phrase "Panta rhei," meaning "everything flows," is often attributed to the Greek philosopher Heraclitus of Ephesus, who lived over 2,500 years ago. Modern interpretations of this idea often echo the sentiment, such as "change is the only constant" or "nothing is permanent, everything changes." It's difficult to disagree with this notion, no matter one's background or life experience. As people grow older, even those most resistant to change often come to appreciate its truth through life's lessons.

In the realm of education-particularly in schools-this idea takes on added significance. Every generation looks back at the students of their time with a sense of nostalgia, often remarking, "In our day..." or "You wouldn't believe what we had to do in school."

Over the past few decades, we've witnessed the rise of Gen X, Millennials, Gen Z, and now Gen Alpha. The most noticeable change across these generations has been the rapid evolution of technology and how knowledge is shared and learning takes place.

In such a constantly evolving educational landscape, it's essential for schools to adapt and innovate. At Geethaanjali, we've embraced a two-pronged approach: creating dynamic learning spaces and continuously updating our teaching methodologies.

Over the past few years, we have created a host of new learning spaces - such as the amphitheater, atelier, media center, improved library, AI-Labs and revamped playgrounds. These spaces are made truly effective with well designed learning activities and creative uses, which significantly enhance the learning experience and foster deeper student engagement. More about these creative learning spaces was detailed in last year's THINK Magazine.



As part of our ongoing efforts to innovate, we continuously update our teaching methodologies. Our approach is centered around creatively teaching to student-centric learning outcomes.

Our teachers define and redefine learning outcomes for each class and subject. Based on these outcomes we create our own lesson plans and supplementary materials, tailored to the current cohort of students.

A distinctive feature of our approach is the emphasis on engaging students in the practical application of these learning outcomes.

Our skill-based assessments are designed to directly measure student understanding and the ability to apply what they have learned. We close the learning loop with timely feedback and reassessment to ensure continuous improvement.

To sum up, as Socrates explained Heraclitus' idea of "Panta rhei": "Heraclitus says, you know, that all things move, and nothing remains still, and he likens the universe to the current of a river, saying that you cannot step twice into the same stream."

-Dr. RAMU GOPALAN

From the
Principal

-Dr. SUBBULAKSHMI V



At Geethaanjali, the essence of education goes beyond what is taught within the four walls rather it is embodied in every action and interaction. The harmonious way everyone moves and does everything is the school's defining feature. The mental strength of the children here is incredible.

Education is about expanding your horizons. Knowing something new stimulates one's mind and intellect, which is one of the greatest pleasures. Our Gurus are simply attempting to maintain that desire to know. Above all, to experience the thrill of pondering about life without having ready-made answers to everything.

It is important that I express to you all the basic policies that guide our Institution and help to create a positive, inclusive, and productive environment for all. These regulations are intended to keep our school a place where all students can succeed academically, socially, and emotionally.

Learning is intended to shape a person rather than simply to keep them alive. It is not simply crucial that we develop scientists, engineers, and physicians. We need to generate an equal number of artists, musicians, dancers, painters, athletes, and theatre performers as well if we are to have a balanced planet. So, at Geethaanjali, we strive to make the child's body and mind capable of experiencing life in all its depths and dimensions.

As we turn the pages of this magazine, we are reminded of the many moments that have shaped our year – from academic successes, and sporting triumphs to artistic expressions and community service initiatives. Each story and contribution within these pages reflects the spirit of determination and excellence that we strive to nurture in our school.

Our children have always demonstrated remarkable resilience, creativity, and a willingness to learn. Whether it was through overcoming challenges, embracing new opportunities, or expressing themselves through writing, art, and performance, they have truly made us proud. This magazine serves as a testament to their talent, effort, and commitment to their growth, both as individuals and as members of our school community.

We strongly believe in the alliance between the school and the family. Regular communication between parents and the school is essential to the success of our children. We encourage parents to be actively involved in their child's education, attend school meetings, and communicate openly with teachers and school leadership.

In line with our obligation to social responsibility, we also emphasize the importance of environmental consciousness. We are actively working toward sustainability practices within our school, encouraging students to care for the environment and make responsible choices.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our Gurus, Shishyas, and Parents for their unwavering support and encouragement. Without their dedication, none of our accomplishments would be possible. I am particularly grateful to the editorial team and contributors who have worked tirelessly to bring this magazine to life, ensuring that every child's voice is heard and celebrated.

As we look forward to another year of learning, growth, and achievement, let us continue to inspire one another and strive for excellence in every aspect of our lives. THINK is not just a collection of stories; it is a reflection of our shared journey and the boundless potential we hold as a community.

Thank you for being a part of our Institution's vibrant journey. I hope you enjoy reading this magazine as much as we have enjoyed creating it.

Another year of excellence at Geethaanjali

Geethaanjali has had yet another stellar year, filled with achievements and accolades galore! Staying true to our mission – 'to bring out the best in every child' – the results of our collective efforts, fueled by the unbridled enthusiasm of our children, have made this a year unforgettable.

In Sports and Games, our students have shone brightly, winning medals and awards at the national, state, and district levels. Among our many achievements, we have multiple recipients of the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Sportsman Award in swimming and athletics.

Our school has performed exceptionally well in the CBSE Cluster being the Kho Kho champions. We've emerged victorious in events like the 400m, long jump, javelin, triathlon, and more in the Erode District Athletics Meet. The KSSC Volleyball Championship, which we hosted this year, was a tremendous success, energizing the entire campus. Additionally, two of our NCC cadets received awards for firing and recognised as Best Cadets.

In Science and Innovation, our pupils have excelled in competitions nationwide. Two teams ranked in the top 500 at the National Level Ideathon, 49 children in the finals of the Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan (India's largest school level talent exam), 27 students qualified for the second stage of the prestigious Raman Awards, focused on experiential science activities.

Several students achieved top ranks in the ICode Global Hackathon in Python Beginner, Advanced and Blockly Advanced categories. Our school proudly hosted the Veettukku Oru Vignani District Level Competition where our students won in the Senior Level and placed in the Junior level innovations.

In Academics and Skill Development, our students have yet again outdone themselves this year. In the Class X Board Exams, 89% of students have achieved a score of 90% and above in various subjects, while in Class XII, 85% of students have achieved 95% and above in different subjects.

Our students have excelled at various national level Skill Expos and progressed to the top level in the ongoing WWF Quiz competitions. This year, we organized industry visits to organizations such as Swelect Energy Systems, Pallava Group of Companies, Forest College & Research Institute, as well as the historic site in Kodumanal.

The Art and Culture scene in Geethaanjali has always been vibrant, and our students have continued to achieve great results in multiple competitions. From being the over-all champion at Vibrance 2024 to sweeping numerous awards in Dance, Vocals and Folk music at the KSSC cultural meet, our students showcased their talents with pride.

Geethaanjali continues to embrace art-integrated learning, as reflected in our Academic Carnival where students of all classes creatively express their academic learning through artwork, dramas, skits, singing, dancing, and more.



Those days gave me the best memories!

Samyuktha, Batch 2018,
PG Diploma (Mgmt. of FinServe.)
PSGR Krishnammal College for Women

Thank you, Geethaanjali's mentors, for believing in me and nurturing my growth through your friendly guidance and support.

Harish Shamrith S, Batch 2023,
Pursuing B.A. Historical Studies,
University of Madras

In the heart of Geethaanjali, we are the dreams that dared, the friendships that stayed.

Adharsha S S, Batch 2023,
Pursuing B.A. (Hons.) Geography,
Kamala Nehru College,
University of Delhi

To my beloved Alma Mater, where friendships blossomed and dreams took shape, you were more than a school—you were a home. Your lessons, both in books and in life, guide us still, reminding us that the bonds we formed and the values we hold will forever tie us to you.

Murtaza Juzer Madraswala, Batch 2018,
Lead Storage & Backup Administrator,
Wipro Ltd.

One of my unforgettable memories was just after the KSSC Athletic Meet 2013, where in Subha ma'am had taken us all to Ice Cube to celebrate our victory in multiple events. It was not just the winners, but the rejoicing was along with everyone who had participated. It was a great life lesson for me which I carry till today.

Reavanth S A, Batch 2014,
Data Analyst, Geodis India Pvt. Ltd.

It's not just any family,

It's MY family!

May be the younger version of Nithika doesn't know the value of being guided by a mentor in all aspects, but now I owe to all those mentors: Thank you for being more than teachers and for pushing me to be the best version of myself. I wish I could wear my uniform back, visit the place filled with optimism and kindness to be a part of the
'No Books Day' *again!*

Nithika, Batch 2022,
Pursuing Company Secretaryship,
Institute of Company Secretaries of India

Happy good old memories that I adore for my lifetime!

Eraja Ganapathy M, Batch 2018,
SAP Technical Consultant,
Kaar Technologies

A place where minds are nurtured and futures crafted.

Subhikksha S, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.A. Political Science,
CHRIST (Deemed to be University),
Bengaluru

The place that I always miss deep in my heart!

Shrika, Batch 2021,
Pursuing B.Com.,
Vellalar College for Women

Joining Geethaanjali in 11th grade was a big change, but the experience was incredible. The teachers were supportive, and the friends I made felt like family. The school challenged me to grow both academically and personally, and I truly felt a strong sense of community. Looking back, I'm grateful for everything the school offered—it truly prepared me for the future.

Harini S, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.Com. (Prof. Accounting),
Kumaraguru College of
Liberal Arts & Science

Always would love to be an inseparable part of the School in everything anytime!

Keerthieaaswar R, Batch 2015,
Senior Software Engineer,
Tarento Technologies

All the **GURUS** at school always go the extra mile to ensure all students receive the best care and education. I thank you for all the hard work and dedication to make the special effort for all students at Geethaanjali.

Thanusiya V, Batch 2021,
Pursuing M.Sc. Botany,
PSGR Krishnammal College
for Women

A positive learning environment which enlightens and shapes its students to make them the best version of themselves.

Kavin Adhitya C R, Batch 2021,
Pursuing B.B.A.,
RD National College of Arts and Science

What I loved most about being a Geetanjalian was I loved the teachers and my subha ma'am 🥹 who always brought out the best in me. The school day dance where I got to do the choreography made my little heart so proud of myself is gonna stay in my heart forever ♾️ Thank you geethaanjali ❤️ U made my childhood the best!!!

Dr. Ethazl Sherin Joseph, Batch 2018,
Doctor, Sree Mookambika Institute of
Medical Sciences, Kanyakumari

A journey of bonds and beyond,
a safe haven
unmatched anywhere.

Swetha T, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.Tech. CSE,
SRM University

GEETHAANJALIANS AROUND THE GLOBE

Today, as a Chief Manager of a company overseeing three fashion brands, I'm grateful for every lesson that shaped me into a better, more capable person. The person I've become is the reflection of everything I learned in those precious years. This place gave me a lifelong compass.

Paavai Shri R, Batch 2020, Chief Manager, R & J GROUPS

My foundation of life skills, sportsmanship, leadership skills, and unwavering support from inspiring teachers.

Vyshalee S, Batch 2021, R & D Intern, Schneider Electric

Discover, Dream, Achieve: Transforming Tomorrow at Geethaanjali.

Falguni Jain D, Batch 2017, M.Sc., (Ph.D.) Mathematics, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru

Geethaanjali helped build a legacy of triumph, instead of being defined by adversity.

Niruba S S, Batch 2021, Pursuing B.Com. Professional, Mount Carmel college, Bangalore

GAISSS will always be dear to me. It's where I created lasting memories, built a strong foundation, and developed essential life skills. I'm truly grateful for the exceptional education, supportive teachers, and the lifelong connections I've made.

Aishwarya Senthilkumar, Batch 2010, Cloud Data Engineer, Centene, USA

Remembering my best memories every time!

Surya M, Batch 2014, Pursuing C.A., B.Com. Shri Ram College of Commerce, Delhi University

Geethaanjali is my second home to me. It's a place where I can be myself without worrying about being judged. It has a supportive environment where everyone encourages one another to grow and succeed. I always want to harmoniously sing **"Geethaanjali I cherish YOU!"**

Ghun Sakariya, Batch 2021, Social Media Manager, HARBIRZ INC.

"It's a mother's womb,
Where I wish to be a child again,
To witness the beauty that bloomed
Through my veins, a gentle refrain.
The flower that never falls,
The color that never fades,
Its fragrance grows younger each day,
As wild winds softly invade.
A plant so divine and grand
That makes flowers soar,
It made me wonder more,
This is how I feel, with pride and honor,
About my **Alma Mater** forever more."

Praneth S, Batch 2021, Pursuing M.B.B.S., Government Medical College, Nagapattinam

The foundation Geethaanjali provided me socially and emotionally has shaped who I am today. The friendships, challenges, and experiences I encountered during those formative years continue to inspire and motivate me. As an alumnus, I feel a deep sense of pride and joy when I reflect on my school years.

Roopesh R, Batch 2013, CEO & Founder, Pegasus Aerospace System & Engineering Services

Empowering Minds, Inspiring Futures: Crafting Leaders, Every Day.

Bhuvan Kumar Jain D, Batch 2022, Pursuing Chartered Accountancy & B.Com (Finance & Accounting), CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru

My Alma Mater is more than a place of learning; it's the home where I first found my roots, where memories are etched into every corner.

Kanishka M, Batch 2023, Pursuing B.A., L.L.B., Presidency University, Bengaluru

Geethaanjali is a place filled with joy and fun activities, and I will miss it dearly. It's where I shared happiness with my friends, and the teachers guided us in the right direction for us to make the lead.

Krishnan T, Batch 2021, Pursuing B.Com. Capital Markets, Dr G R Damodaran College of Science

The utopia where values of humanity and social responsibility are instilled, beyond just academic learning.

Ganesh Prasath S B, Batch 2021, Managing Director, Esskay Wiremesh

Where the principles of justice meet the pursuit of knowledge - Geethaanjali, your foundation.

Shavin Vishnu, Batch 2022,
Pursuing BA. LLB. (honors),
Presidency University

I am forever grateful for the education and experiences I gathered at Geethaanjali.

Poonguzhali M, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.Com. CA,
Kongu Arts & Science College

The school is more than just an institution for education; it provides the essential foundation for thriving and leading in society by always focusing on the holistic development of children.

Lalith Kumar, Batch 2014,
Captain, Indian Army 🇮🇳

I am deeply grateful for teaching us lessons that go beyond academics, nurturing values that shape us for life. The friendships we've built here feel like family—bonds that will last a lifetime.

Sneha prabha E S, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.B.A. Tourism,
CHRIST (Deemed to be University),
Bengaluru

School—my haven of the heart—opened my eyes to the world, sculpted me into a better person, nurtured my potential, and gifted me lifelong memories and relationships to cherish. Eternally grateful💟

Shivani R, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.B.A. (Travel & Tourism Management),
CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru

The beginning of a spectacular journey that shaped not only my career, but also my character.

Bharani N, Batch 2021,
Pursuing B.Sc. Animation, VFX & gaming,
Chandigarh University

This powerful place is beyond being just a school, filled a void I never knew I had when I joined in Class 9. The memories, lessons, and values I gained will stay with me forever.

Jenesha Joseph Andrews, Batch 2023,
Pursuing B.B.A., Women's Christian College, Chennai

The fertile land where I was sown is the reason I'm in this wonderful position today. I'm forever grateful to be a Geethaanjalian!

Keerthi Sree Hashni M, Batch 2019,
Senior Executive - HR,
Titan Company Ltd.

Looking back, Geethaanjali was more than just a place—it was where friendships blossomed, dreams took flight, and the memories created there will always hold a special place in my heart.

Sai Kishore R, Batch 2022,
Logistics Executive
(Supply chain planner),
Bosch Mobility Platform & Solutions

My Alma Mater represents a period of exploration, challenges, and achievements, and I carry its values and teachings with me in everything I do.

Kanishgaa A, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.Tech. CSE,
Nandha Engineering College

School was a safe haven, where lifelong friendships and personal growth thrived.

Mohammed Muzzammil S, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.Tech. EEE, B S Abdur Rahman Crescent Institute of Science & Technology

Some things never change at my school, and it's comforting to see that the spirit and memories remain the same forever.

Ajaydev M, Batch 2014,
Design Engineer,
Flowserve

To think intensively and to think creatively is what Geethaanjali has taught me. Fortunate Enough to be a Geethaanjalian!

Sanjana, Batch 2021,
Pursuing C.A. Finals,
Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

Nostalgic memories,
lifelong friendships,
unforgettable lessons,
forever grateful,
proud alum!
My school-My pride-My family!

Akshaya B K, Batch 2023,
Pursuing B.B.A.
International Business,
PSGR Krishnammal College for Women

It's been a long and cherished journey with Geethaanjali. Your teachings in academics and beyond them are still my guiding mantras.

Nithiyasree G, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.Sc. Costume Design & Fashion,
PSG College of Arts & Science

The exceptional place where every hallway held laughter and lasting memories.

Aswath V, Batch 2018,
M.B.A., Singapore Management University

It's a welcoming place where we learn, grow, and build lasting friendships. We are taught not just academics but also values like respect, honesty, and kindness. More Than a School, A Family.

Sri Maha Durga M, Batch 2023,
Pursuing B.Sc. IT,
VET Institute of Arts & Science College

The place that I consider as my biggest treasure and where I lived my life to the fullest.

Sanjanaa S C (Chanju C), Batch 2018,
Assistant Professor,
VET Institute of Arts & Science College

The pride I feel for my Alma Mater isn't just about the accomplishments I achieved there, but the experiences that molded me into who I am today. I am deeply grateful for everything it gave me.

Jeevaratchika S, Batch 2018,
Apparel Designer,
Fabthrive Tradecom LLP

At school, all I wanted was to get out of it, to go out and explore the world; But now it is all that I want to relive the days I spent in GEETHAANJALI!

Kavya G, Batch 2023,
Pursuing B.Com.,
St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli

A p(a)lace that emphasised more on building character than scoring marks.

Premraaj G, Batch 2023,
Pursuing B.B.A.,
Loyola College

The place that radiates positivity and offers a great environment for acquiring new knowledge, leading you towards a remarkable journey in life.

Kaushik Raj J P, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.C.A.,
Sri Ramakrishna College of Arts & Sciences

A kaleidoscope of experiences filled with unforgettable moments, lifelong friendships, and countless laughter-filled days!

Sibikrishna M G, Batch 2021,
Tax Analyst,
Ernst & Young

A sanctuary of growth, friendship, wisdom, and unforgettable memories.

Ritesh Varma, Batch 2023,
Pursuing B.Tech. CSE,
SASTRA University

The moments of growth and the teachers who guided me have made all the difference in shaping who I am today. I carry the lessons from Geethaanjali with me wherever I go.

Subhika S, Batch 2020,
Pursuing M.B.B.S.,
Davao Medical School Foundation,
Phillipines

Geethaanjali is fire of knowledge and feeling of togetherness Where learning becomes an adventure.❤️

Prerit Dokania, Batch 2021,
Proprietor, Navaneeth Traders

I am grateful for the opportunities my school provided, allowing me to explore my interests and offering equal access to both academic and extracurricular activities.

Shrikanth K V, Batch 2014,
RPA Developer,
EagleBurgmann

Geethaanjali is a place filled only with optimism and kindness; no matter how many times I repeat this, surely this place will always be very close to my heart.

Sabarmathi M, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.Sc. Geography,
Vellalar College for Women

It's a great initiative to make the alma mater feel privileged and make a great guidance and support to the future of all Geethaanjalians.

Asvatha K, Batch 2015,
Proprietor, Egg Stickaa,
Erode

Geethaanjali has played a significant role in my professional journey, helping me discover the right path through its exceptional mentorship.

Swathy S, Batch 2023,
Pursuing U.P.S.C

A nurturing foundation, lifelong mentors, priceless memories, timeless lessons, and invaluable values. That's my "Geethaanjali".

Olive Arulnithy D, Batch 2022,
Pursuing B.Com. (Professional),
CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru

Geethaanjali: The Foundation of My Creative Journey

Reflecting on my journey from a Geethaanjali student to a professional photographer, I feel immense gratitude for the school that nurtured not just my academic skills but my artistic spirit. When I joined Geethaanjali School in Erode, I was far from an academic achiever. I was a below-average student, one who often struggled with traditional studies. But Geethaanjali was different; it never placed undue pressure on students like me. Instead, it emphasized strengths, motivating us to discover and hone our natural talents.

From an early age, I felt an undeniable pull toward the arts. At Geethaanjali, I found a safe space to explore this passion. My teachers recognized my potential and encouraged me to dream big. It was our Principal Subha ma'am, who had the most profound impact on me. She saw beyond my academic scores and acknowledged my skills in music and performance. As the drummer in our school band and a budding singer, I had many opportunities to participate in events, and Mrs. Subha ensured I was part of competitions and interschool programs that would refine my abilities.

After leaving school and beginning college, I found another mentor who was instrumental in my development: my editing teacher, Raafiq sir. I went to him while pursuing visual communication, and he taught me the art of editing with unmatched skill and patience. Raafiq sir was not only a talented editor but also a true gentleman who shared valuable life lessons along the way. We spent countless nights editing together, working on functions and events, where he passed on his editing knowledge and expertise. Those long hours spent with Raafiq sir not only shaped my technical skills but also strengthened my work ethic and dedication. He is a gem of a character, someone I continue to admire greatly.



The support I received made school feel more like a family than an institution. Geethaanjali School was also unique as a coeducational environment, where we had the freedom to interact openly. Unlike in many schools, where boys and girls are often separated, Geethaanjali encouraged friendships among all students. It was in this open and supportive environment that I found my closest friends and even my future spouse. Yes, I found my love at Geethaanjali, and we're getting married soon. I guess you could say my school gave me a lot more than just an education!

Today, as a wedding photographer and cinematographer, I capture special moments and craft stories through my lens. My brainchild, Lantern Studios has grown to include not just wedding photography, but also family portraits, kids photography, and even commercial projects for top brands and the Indian Government. Each frame I capture, each story I tell, is a testament to the foundation Geethaanjali laid for me.

To any current student reading this, remember that success comes in many forms, and sometimes it takes time to find your path. Don't be afraid to embrace your passions. Geethaanjali School gave me the courage to pursue mine, and I am forever grateful for the journey that started there.

-Gowrishankar R, Batch 2012,
Founder & Creative Head, Lantern Studios

From School to College: A Hearfelt Thank You...

Dear School, Teachers, and Juniors,

Remember me? Yeah, the one who sprinted out of here like it was the last lap of a relay race! Well, surprise-I'm in college now! It feels surreal to be here, but as I begin this next chapter, I can't help but look back at how much my school shaped me and prepared me for everything ahead. Even though it's only been a few months since I left, my time at school still feels so close, like a heartbeat away.

This is the same place where I ran for Student Council President, passionately campaigning for my party and handing out flyers to anyone who'd listen. The experiences I had here-from those nerve-wracking elections to the energy of Annual Day performances-taught me so much about leadership, teamwork, and balancing my time. I can honestly say that this school gave me the tools to navigate the chaos of college life with a bit more flair. From managing academics to handling co-curricular activities and social events, I feel more prepared than I ever imagined.

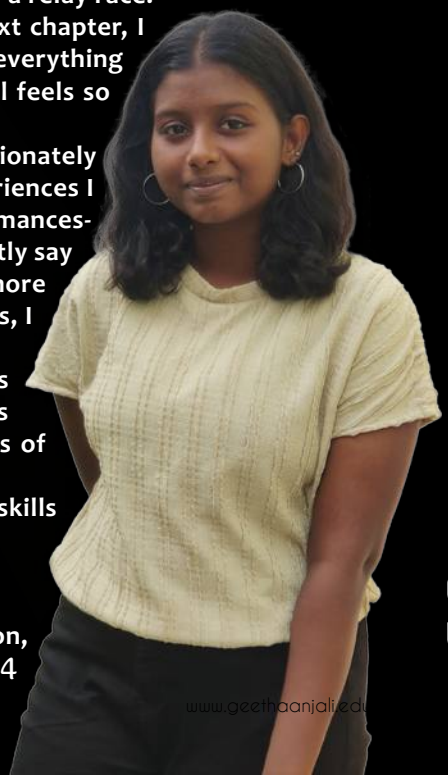
To my dear juniors: Take every opportunity that comes your way-whether it's running for student council, acting in a play, or organizing an event. These experiences will be the ones you look back on with pride when you're managing the pressures of college assignments and life.

And to my lovable teachers: You didn't just teach us subjects-you gave us life skills and survival kits for the real world. For that, I will always be grateful.

"It's funny how the place you couldn't wait to leave
becomes the one you'll always miss the most."

With endless appreciation,

-Thaarani P S, Still figuring out life, Class of 2k23-2k24



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Forever My Home: A Decade of Learning, Friendship & Self-Discovery

Moving back in time to 2007, I was a mischievous kid with a vivid imagination, waiting to be sculpted and to discover who I would become. I didn't know back then that this school would be the place for me, or how deeply it would secure a place in my heart.

Starting from Junior KG, learning to write ABCs, progressing through calculus, and then computer science in my 11th & 12th grades, Geethaanjali fortified me with abundance of knowledge and skills. More importantly, it helped me discover myself and nurtured my growth. Spending more than a decade here, to be exact 14 years, Geethaanjali has truly become my family, my home.

Whenever I think about the countless cultural festivals celebrated with friends and teachers, a wave of nostalgia sweeps over me. The annual days brought the entire school together, and each year added new experiences that helped me grow and see the world with fresh perspectives. The joyful memories of preparing for events, the butterflies before stepping on stage, and the thrill, as well as the responsibility, of representing the school before thousands will always be etched in my heart. A feeling of melancholic joy fills me as I come to terms with the fact that my days at Geethaanjali have come to an end. This one-of-a-kind rollercoaster journey has equipped me with the courage and strength to embark on the next chapter of my life. My friends, teachers, and the school itself will forever hold a place in my heart for always looking up to me as an individual unique from my twin. I am deeply grateful to Geethaanjali for shaping me, instilling values of integrity, kindness, and resilience.



Fast-forwarding to now, I carry the essence of Geethaanjali with me wherever I go. Thank you, Geethaanjali, for giving me a lifetime of memories, a family of friends, a strong foundation to build on, the endurance to persevere, and the strategic wisdom to pursue my dreams ethically.

-Madhav Narayanan, Batch 2021,
B. Tech Information Technology, SASTRA University,
Data Analyst, TheMathCompany Inc.

My Odyssey at Geethaanjali: Wings of Wisdom

As I contemplate my journey at Geethaanjali, happiness fills my heart. I was a tiny caterpillar, cocooned within myself unaware of my potential. When I entered Geethaanjali, the place gave me colourful wings and taught me how to fly, transforming me into a joyful butterfly to scale the sky high. To me, Geethaanjali is more than just a school, as it is my second home. I always carry a piece of it with me, for it has nurtured and seen me develop into the person I am today. Geethaanjali is a pantheon of learning, a haven of wisdom and morals. The values that form the bedrock of my character were ingrained in me through every teacher's interaction, in every classroom I have hovered in.

My earliest memory of Geethaanjali is of holding my mother's hand tightly on my first day of LKG, feeling both curious and nervous. My teachers greeted me with loving smiles and gently urged me to join the other kids- who, even years later, remain an indelible part of me. This generosity and compassion set the tone for the steps of my life. Every student is seen, appreciated, and cared for by our loving GURUS, who take time to understand our personalities and strengths, guiding us to overcome our fears. The friendships I formed became more than family. Together, we shared both pleasures and challenges: inter-house competitions, silly anxieties over tests, and the most hilarious school excursions. My favourite memory is from the 9th grade, when I participated in the annual day orchestra. Together, we practiced for weeks, laughed and cried, and celebrated our little triumphs as a team. I felt like I was a part of something bigger than myself when everyone applauded our performance. That sense of unity, of being part of a community, was a feeling I would carry forward into my every endeavour.

My school is a place of learning beyond academics, with great emphasis on co-curricular and character development. It taught us the importance of Trust, Truth, and Triumph. The teachers helped us balance academics and co-curricular activities, teaching us to see obstacles as opportunities to shine-an essential lesson that I always carry with me. I am forever indebted and grateful to Geethaanjali for the innumerable experiences it gave me to shape my interests and sharpen my talents. Those annual days, debates, competitions, and science fairs gave us platforms to explore our potential, discover our passions, and push our limits. My passion for continuous learning, love for science, curiosity for problem-solving, and ability to stay composed in tense situations – all have their roots in these very events. Geethaanjali undoubtedly has been an immense influence in my life. Words fall short of capturing how it has sculpted me. It made me understand that it's not by grades, but by one's character, the strength of resilience, and the compassion we hold towards others, that success comes along. These are the legacies Geethaanjali has bequeathed to me, which I carry forward with gratitude and pride.

Looking forward, I carry with me the heart of Geethaanjali in every step I take. The lessons, friendships, and memories are woven into who I am and always will be. To my loving teachers & loyal friends and everyone who made Geethaanjali feel like a family - thank you, truly, for helping me become the person I am today.

-Mathangi Narayanan, Batch 2021,
B. Tech., CSE (AI & DS) with Hons., SASTRA University,
Machine Learning Engineer, Comcast Corporation

The Blossoms of Wisdom: A Parent's Prayer

Parents are favoured with valuable blessings of life
To nurture the child to the next stage of life
A domain of love and care on desirous search
A unique dome of wisdom 'Geethaanjali' reach
Knowledge, skill, and talent-filled as its petals
The school shines amidst schools as crystals
This garden looks so beautiful with teachers as its flowers
Those flowers wisely hold the knowledge as its nectar
The children as Honey bees attract to this nectar
With a happy feed of knowledge, comes the feel of flying so high
The guidance from the teachers makes students reach that high
Arts and crafts as ornaments decorate the knowledge for growing
Happy and joyous cultured acts fill the hearts like blooming
Election and campaign as social moves,
Leads a path to leadership
Makes one feel the ownership
Join hands to crave a good friendship
To make it all happen in a big show hall
A bliss thought from one small heart
That Heart is well known by one and all
It's so happy to say it's our – 'PRINCIPAL'
Multiverse multi-skill multi-thoughts in one compound
Makes the School - Home bonding forever unbound
A precious gift was given back with evergreen memories for heart...
Thanks to Geethaanjali for being a - Second Home!



-Kesavamoorthy N
Father of Pramitha K, Grade XII



Sowing Respect, Reaping Honour

Growing and aging are natural processes that every individual experiences. A home where elders are respected is considered more beautiful than heaven. In Indian culture, elders are seen as treasures of wisdom and experience. However, nowadays, they are often forced to face many challenges. With the rise of nuclear families, many elders are neglected and considered burdens.

We often fail to understand the importance of elders in our society. They are the ones who preserve culture and traditional values. Elders are like the roots of a tree; they hold the family firmly, providing strength and stability. From their vast life experiences, they can assess situations and offer valuable advice to the younger generation. People say that old age is the recoiling of childhood and it is true. Though they may appear old on the outside, inside they are often like the little children who once could never grow up. They need attention and care, just like a young child.

As a parent, I feel immense gratitude when I see my child learning these values at Geethaanjali. The teachers at my child's school do an exceptional job in instilling the importance of respecting elders. In every lesson, whether in the classroom or during activities, my child is taught the significance of not just listening to elders, but truly valuing their wisdom. It makes me proud to see my child growing up with such respect for the elderly, recognizing them as the pillars of our family and society. This value of honouring elders is not just a lesson learned at school; it's a lesson that will guide all the children through their life, fostering empathy, kindness, and an understanding of the deeper bonds that hold families and communities together. Let's recall the expression of respect and gratitude toward our parents and elders is a great way to brighten our future - ***'What we sow today, we harvest tomorrow'.***

-Padma Priya E
Mother of Yaswanth S, Grade II

Building Confidence Through Performance

I have had the privilege of witnessing the enriching experience that the Open-Air Theatre of Geethaanjali offers to our children. This unique initiative is more than just performance as it provides a platform to showcase talents and collaborate creatively in a supportive environment. This creative space gives an exciting atmosphere that encourages small kids to be guided by their senior mentors, building their confidence and fostering strong bonds. As I watched Neha prepping for her roles, I saw her development not just as a performer but as a team player and peer supporter.

One of the most rewarding aspects of the OAT is the emphasis on teamwork and mutual respect. This teaches vital life skills such as communication, empathy, and leadership-skills that extend far beyond the stage. The OAT is not only a showcase of talent but also a space for personal growth. I could visibly see the kids growing more familiar with public speaking. They become more expressive through each rehearsal, and the initiative allows them to explore their interests in acting, singing, and dancing.

In conclusion, Geethaanjali embodies the spirit of holistic education, nurturing both talent and character. I am grateful for the innovative opportunities the school provides to the children. Initiatives like this shape not only talented individuals but also compassionate leaders. I look forward to seeing Neha and her friends shine on stage, supported by the wonderful community at Geethaanjali.

-Vivekananth Y
Father of Neha V N, Grade IV

Parents as Mentors: Sharing Wisdom to Shape Young Minds

Bringing Stories to Life

Parents' enthusiasm and creativity in storytelling captivated the children, creating a memorable experience filled with laughter and amazement. Each story was unique, enhanced by gestures making the session engaging and enjoyable.

-Gayathri P, Mother of Krishnika G K, Grade IV & Sai Krishna G K, Sr. KG.

Healthy Vision for the Future

Certain eye conditions become more common as we age. We can maintain healthy eyes and ensure better vision by using the right techniques and lenses. This session improved our understanding of detecting common vision problems and their causes.

-Dr. Vidhyasagar R, Father of Harish V, Grade VIII & Kanishka V, Grade VII

Turning Trash into Treasure

Gardening encourages growth, environmental improvement, and a deeper connection to nature. A guest speaker highlighted the importance of composting as a strategy for cultivating healthy plants, inspiring students to make small changes toward a sustainable future.

-Manimegalai P, Mother of Sharveshwaran S M, Grade II

Unlocking Investment Insights

The guidance session on investment banking emphasized the importance of mutual funds, shares, financial awareness, safety of transactions, and the role of investment banking in raising capital and tactful ways of providing counselling services.

-Santhosh V, Father of Dvaith Santhosh, Grade VIII & Tejaswini Santhosh, Grade V

Mindfulness about Oneself

Our ancestors followed scientific practices for a healthy lifestyle, including sitting on the ground for brain function and digestion. Despite being controlled by society, these methods are essential for sustainable living.

-Dr. Lenin M, Father of Nithilan L, Grade VIII

Finding Inner Peace

Meditation helps us find peace, love, and tranquillity within ourselves. The parent lecture focused on the art of silencing the mind to hear the voice of our soul. This eye-opening session taught us how to lead a stress-free life in any situation.

-Kavitha A (Yoga Practitioner), Mother of Saathveeka N T, Grade VII & Sangamithra N T, Grade IV

-Heartfelt Gratitude from the Middle Graders of Geethaanjali

Financial Foundations

Geethaanjali's 'Banking Session' was a special day when a parent became the facilitator, sharing valuable cognizance about banking, saving options, digital banking, and the role of banking in the economy. The session inspired students to learn about money management and saving habit.

-Pankaj Kapoor, Father of Vaibhavi, Grade VII, Ojasvi, Grade IV & Ambuj Trivesh Jr. KG.

Constructive Nutriment

Diet and cleanliness are crucial for humans, animals, and plants. While food may seem delicious, it's not always hygienic. The session made us realize, that neglecting hygiene can lead to illnesses. So, maintaining a healthy lifestyle requires eating hygienic yet enjoyable food.

-Janarthanan C & Syamaladevi R, Parents of Vaishna J, Grade VI

Crafting Imagination

It was a happy moment when I fostered children's imagination and curiosity through a hands-on lesson on making sponge dolls. The experience left me with a heart full of memories and a desire to return for more creative projects, as it encouraged them to think creatively while having fun.

-Madhumathi S P, Mother of Niranjana A M, Grade I

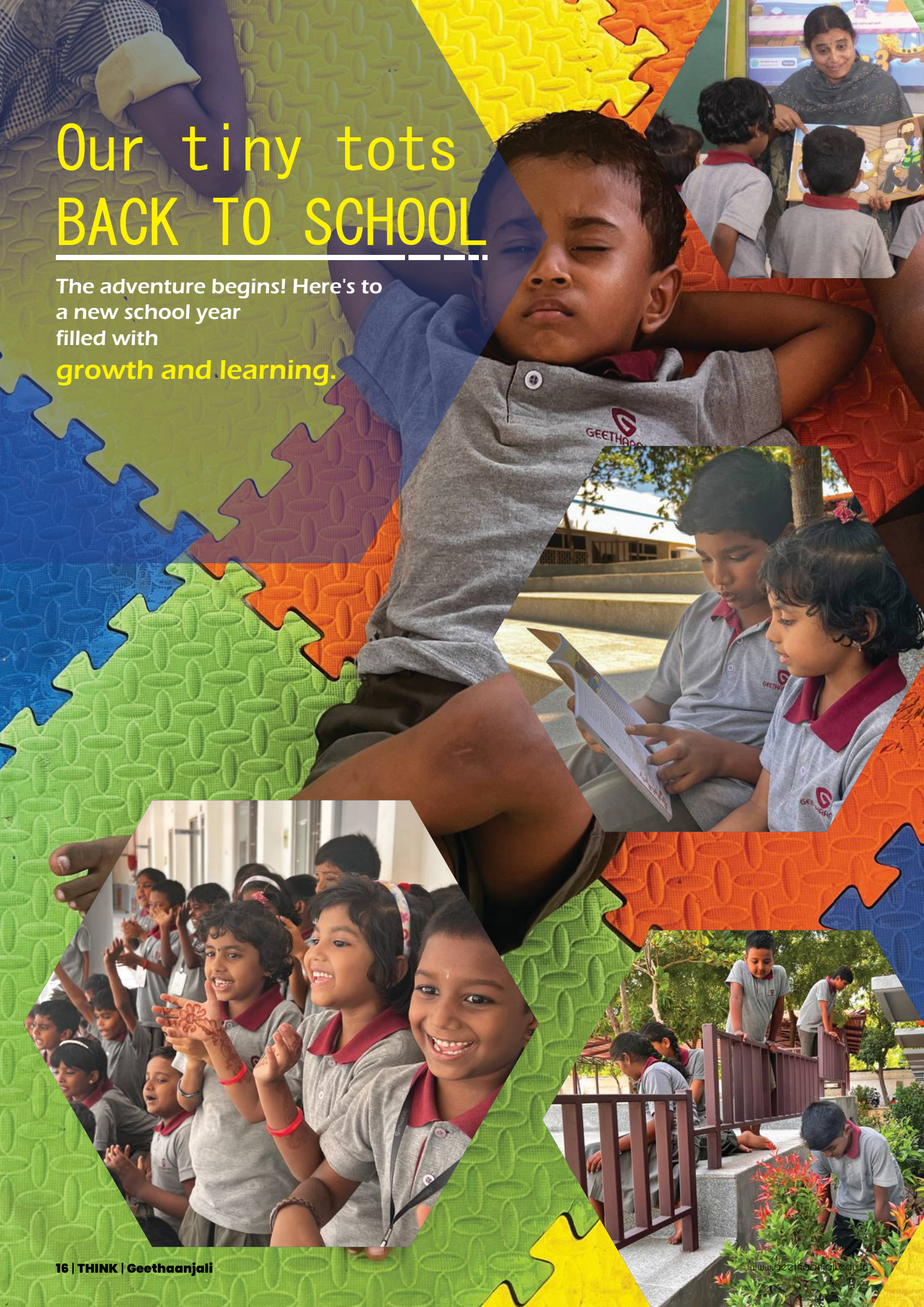
Building Healthy Habits

Maintaining proper hygiene is essential for leading a disease-free, healthy life as cleanliness and health are closely connected. The health and hygiene workshop helped my peers and me understand how personal hygiene is crucial in building a clean and robust community.

-Dr. Saravanapriya J, Mother of Harini Laya E, Grade IV & Layasudhan E, Grade II

Our tiny tots BACK TO SCHOOL

The adventure begins! Here's to a new school year filled with ***growth and learning.***



Horizons of Learning













Learning beyond four walls!



Presiden

I can't help but think that this journey has been like riding a roller coaster as I sit down to reflect on my year as president-full of exhilarating highs, twists and turns, and a few moments that made me question my life choices! It has been an incredible journey that I wouldn't trade for anything, from overcoming obstacles to rejoicing in our victories.

As the school year draws to an end, it's hard to believe that we are saying goodbye. The end of this chapter is bittersweet, filled with memories that will last a lifetime and a sense of nostalgia that fills the air of Geethaanjali. This journey has served as a pleasant reminder of the bonds we've formed, the joy we've shared, and the growth we've undergone. Reflecting on this heartfelt message, I am immensely grateful for each moment I spent at our school. I am today because of the lessons learned, the friendships made, and the obstacles I've overcome. The spirit of our school will always be a part of us, even though we may be embarking on new adventures.

It has been a beautiful voyage, full of deeply felt responsibilities and moments of great joy. Sensing others enthusiasm made me realize that I wanted to be a part of that energy. I made a dauntless decision: I would run for president, and I wouldn't tell my parents until after I had officially entered the race. There was a lot of excitement and anxiety during the two weeks of the campaign. In retrospect, I could see that everything changed for me on that crucial day when we presented our teams to the crowd. I was reminded of the strength of support and community. By the end of the two-week campaign, my parents knew I was running for office, and to my surprise, they were incredibly supportive. They had seen how passionate I was and had observed my late-night preparations for speeches and making banners. Their support strengthened my self-confidence and leadership skills.

My gurus' constant guidance has been a 'laser' beacon throughout my presidency, . You helped me overcome the difficulties of leadership by providing priceless direction and backing. Your confidence in my abilities spurred me to go above and beyond my comfort zone and pursue excellence. Thank you for being gurus who not only taught me academic lessons but also imparted life lessons that I will carry with me forever. As we turn the page to the next chapter of our lives, let's carry forward the love, laughter, and memories we've created together. Here's to new beginnings, lasting bonds, and the wonderful journey ahead.

In reflection of my journey through the school elections, I've penned a few lines that capture my thoughts on the essence of elections: ***'Every vote is an opportunity, every speech is a light, and every brave leader takes a stand. Dreams soar with each student's pride, from the classrooms to the playgrounds wide. For this is the beginning of a legacy-the strength of the vote and the pulse of youth. School elections are an opportunity for the bold, where stories of future leaders are told.'*** Farewell, dear Geethaanjalians, until we meet again-and we will, for sure!

Goutam Mishra

-Goutam Mishra, Grade XII
President, Student Council 2023 - 2024



ts' Note

As I pour my heart into this note, I find myself flooded with emotions, reflecting on a year that has profoundly shaped not just me, but our entire school. Serving as your Student Council President has been a deeply moving journey-filled with laughter, challenges, and moments that have truly touched my soul. Each experience has woven a heartfelt tapestry of connection and resilience, creating lasting memories that will forever echo in our hearts. I am profoundly grateful for every shared smile, every tear, and every moment that brought us closer together. This year has been a testament to the power of unity and love, and I will cherish it always.

From the very moment I stepped into this role, I was swept up in a whirlwind of excitement and a sense of responsibility that demanded true leadership, empathy, and appreciation. Each event and conversation enriched this journey, teaching me to listen with my heart and strive to understand dreams, struggles, & unique stories. Celebrating our achievements together has been a gift, reminding me of the strength of our unity. The joy that surged through our school when we won VIBRANZE, the incredible pride and cultural pride we shared on Ethnic Day, and the teamwork involved in raising awareness about anti-drug usage showed me the powerful bonds we share as a family. These moments and our diversity have created bridges that connect us, leaving a lasting impression on my heart.

One of the most thrilling and deeply connected moments was the day our party won the election. As the results were announced, I felt tears well up, overwhelmed by the weight of your trust and support. Standing there, surrounded by cheering friends, teachers, and classmates, I felt an immense pride I could hardly put into words. And then, our unforgettable Swearing-in Ceremony amplified that feeling even further. The air buzzed with electric energy, a beautiful tapestry woven from laughter and joy as students from every corner of our school united in a heartfelt celebration of our shared humanity. At that moment, I was wrapped in an overwhelming sense of pride and belongingness that brought tears of joy cascading down my cheeks. It reminded me that we are not just individuals; we are a family, united in our differences and strengthened by our shared experiences. The connections forged that day weren't just fleeting moments; they became enduring bonds that will echo in my heart forever-a testament to the incredible spirit that defines our unity. It was when love and acceptance overflowed--a day I will treasure for the rest of my life.

The radiant smiles that lit up faces, the laughter that danced through the halls, and the heartfelt stories shared during those moments filled my soul with overwhelming warmth and joy. Each instant became a cherished reminder that when we stand together, embracing our unique narratives, we can conquer any challenge. It was a truly transformative experience, a heartfelt celebration of our rich diversity that deepened our bonds and left an everlasting imprint on my heart-a powerful testament to the incredible strength of unity and love in our vibrant family.

As I reflect on this incredible journey, my heart brims with hope and a deep sense of excitement for the beautiful possibilities that lie ahead. I urge each of you to step forward with all your courage, to let your voices resonate like never before, and to embrace the extraordinary opportunities that await us. Your participation is not just important; it's essential-like the very heartbeat of our school. Together, we can create and nurture a space where every voice is treasured, every dream is honoured, and every story is celebrated.

Thank you for the incredible honour of serving as your Student Council President. This journey has been meaningful, not just for me, but for all of us. I am deeply grateful to each of you, and I truly believe that our legacy will inspire future student leaders. As I prepare to pass this role on, I look forward to the next President, who will carry on our vision with fresh passion and dedication. Your hearts and voices have shaped this journey, and I'll carry the memories of our time together in my heart forever!



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பொறுப்பின் தாளம் சத்தமிடும் சமயம் இன்று,
பெருமிதம் தந்து மறைந்த நெடுங்கால நினைவுகள்,
மறுமுனையில் தொடங்குவோம் புதியவை இனியதாய்!

अब विदा का वक्त आया, यादों का कारवां छाया,
नए रास्तों पर चलने का समय, कर्तव्य की डोर को जुदा किया।
थे जो लम्हे खास, वो सबके साथ बिताए,
अब एक नई शुरुआत की ओर, चलें हम सब साथ समाए।।

The time has come to walk new ways,
To gently part from duty's embrace.
These cherished moments we hold dear,
Now let's begin anew, with cheer.

Rinku R

-Rinku R, Grade XI
President, Student Council 2024 - 2025

Classroom to Court
Bridging the Gap Between Books and Bench

In the captivating journey of legal education, the transition from classroom theories to courtroom realities marks a pivotal chapter. For us, as budding legal minds, this shift illuminates the essence of law and prepares us to embrace its real-world complexities. Our recent visit to the Erode District Court turned pages of legal theory into an unforgettable narrative of human stories and justice.

From the moment we stepped into the courthouse, we were immersed in a world where 'Law Meets Life.' It wasn't just about statutes and sections; it was about people, families seeking resolutions, individuals facing trials, and a courtroom brimming with emotions. We observed a few family lawsuits and grasped the legal frameworks to provide solace amidst personal turmoil. While witnessing criminal trials, we realized the gravity of ensuring fairness in the process. Every legal proceeding unfolded like a powerful play, reminding us that every verdict reshapes a life and contributes to the tapestry of justice. 'Law is nothing but common sense' and this truth echoed in every case that we observed. The courtroom isn't merely a stage for legal jargon; it's a place where common sense intertwines with statutes to restore balance and protect rights. The investigations taught us a profound realization that the essence of law lies in its ability to reflect humanity while upholding principles of equity and fairness to all.

One of the most enlightening lessons was determining truth only by how it relates to real time. In our classrooms, we've discussed and debated case studies, dissected legal maxims, and studied precedents. But in the courthouse, these theories took a new turn. It was here that we saw justice not as a concept but as an active force shaping lives. This experience deepened our appreciation for the legal system and inspired us to pursue law with renewed passion and purpose.

Our school's initiative to bridge theory and practice through this visit has left an indelible mark on us. It was an educational transformative outing encountered with the heart of justice. As we study, we carry with us the knowledge that law is not just a profession but a promise to uphold humanity's most cherished ideals. Through this journey, we've learned that the courtroom is not merely a venue for trials; it's a demonstration of the enduring pursuit of truth and judicious justice. And for us, the future torchbearers of the legal world, this incredible experience has been nothing short of inspiring.

-Learners of Legal Studies, Grade XI





The Colour of Equality

The white skin is pretty,
Why the black skin to pity?
Whites with extraordinary facility,
Why do blacks lack core accessibility?
We all live under the almighty's supervision,
Then why follow the scary discrimination?
Let's turn to evil roles,
Let's share our goals.
We shall have a shared future,
We shall act more maturely.
We shall even have respect,
We shall have a higher aspect.

-Chetana R, Grade XI

Linguistic Boost 言語ブースト

For every seventh grader, learning a new language like Japanese is an exciting journey! Not only does it enhance my intellect and help me succeed in other disciplines, but it also opens doors to a world of amazing opportunities. Just imagine reading manga in its original language, watching anime without subtitles, or even traveling to Japan and interacting with the locals!

Japanese culture is rich and fascinating, from delicious dishes like sushi and ramen to traditional customs such as tea ceremonies and vibrant festivals. By learning Japanese, I will gain a deeper appreciation and understanding of these unique cultural practices. This new language will widen my linguistics because it challenges me in ways that make me think more creatively. The writing system-with its kanji, hiragana, and katakana-offer a mental workout that builds my memory and concentration. It also helps me develop problem-solving skills as I figure out how to express myself in a new way. In addition to academic advantages, Japanese language opens up travel opportunities, allowing me to immerse myself in the country's rich traditions and cutting-edge technology. The ability to understand and communicate in Japanese makes traveling to Japan more enriching, as I can truly experience the culture beyond the tourist spots.

Mastering Japanese is an investment for my future, not just because of travel or music, but because it connects me to one of the world's leading economies. Since Japan is a global leader in innovation and technology, knowing Japanese will give me a cutting edge in my career. The country continues to advance in fields like robotics, engineering, and design, speaking Japanese will allow me to engage with a variety of industries, internships, and career paths that may not be available to others.

Now by learning Japanese, I'm preparing for a future full of exciting possibilities-whether it's studying abroad, working with their companies, or exploring the art and media that have recently become a global phenomenon. The world is full of doors waiting to be opened, and I'm unlocking them one word at a time!

-Srinivitha Senthilmurugan, Grade VII

Through the Pages of a Book

Books are windows to the world,
Stories untold, waiting to be unfurled.
They take us to places we've never seen,
Adventures wild, a magical scene.
They teach us lessons, big and small,
About life, and how to stand tall.
They spark our imagination, ignite our dreams,
A treasure trove of knowledge, it seems.
So let's read and explore,
The pages are filled with so much more.
For in the pages of a book,
A world of wonder we can look.
So let us read, and read some more,
And unlock the secrets we adore.
For in the world of books, we find our place,
Where knowledge, wonder, and magic fill the space.

-Tharika M, Grade VIII



Picture Credit: Harihara Sudhan S, Grade VII

Adapting to the Alpha Generation

Revamp! Yes, it's high time we go hand in glove with the alpha generation. The rapid growth of technology is demanding that these kids keep pace with its evolution. The alpha generation, typically defined as those born from 2010 onwards, is growing up in a world shaped by rapid technological advancements, social changes, and global challenges. As they navigate this unique environment, certain skills are becoming increasingly important for their development and future success.

Alpha Generation kids, also called 'Digital Natives' are growing up in a world driven by technology. From an early age, they are accustomed to social media, smartphones, and tablets. Since digital tools are integrated into their learning environments, their education is often more tech-driven than in previous generations. Through media and internet, they are exposed to global cultures, which helps promote a more interconnected worldview. This generation is developing as healthy competitors, with access to cutting-edge tools like digital art software and coding platforms, which encourage innovative thinking. They are also encouraged to express themselves in diverse ways, fostering creativity and unconventional thinking.

The alpha generation is poised to bring a unique skill set to the future workforce and society. They are expected to excel as solution makers, versatile thinkers, team workers, social adapters, global justifiers, emotional supporters, financial planners, and positive digital users. It is our responsibility to support the alpha generation in equipping themselves to thrive in an increasingly complex world. Understanding and nurturing these skills will be crucial for parents, educators, and communities in preparing the next generation for success.

-Manjula Santhosh, Dept. of English

International Yoga Day

reminds us to
pause, breathe, and stretch
our way to better health!













SINGING Science



A ***musical demonstration*** by our middle graders exhibits the incorporation of ***science into daily life***. Children eagerly attend the sessions led by science faculties supported by mathematics educators. The goal of such vivid demonstrations are to use music creatively and entertainingly for communicating scientific ideas. These prolific spaces combine ***arithmetics with chords*** to create a captivating learning environment.



Our fantastic Kindergarten kids are magically led by our team teachers on explorations of folklores. ***'Kuril-Nedil'*** is one such unique concept that they learn about through vocalization. Stories are narrated engagingly through the rhythms of ***Villupattu***.







PUZZLES DAY

Math Puzzle Day at our school is a buzzing hub of excitement, celebrating the intellect of our math whiz, Srinivasa Ramanujan. Children from all grades showcase their problem-solving skills, tackling puzzles with creativity and determination. The supportive atmosphere filled with cheers and encouragement, highlights the joy of learning and collaboration, making it a memorable and enriching experience for everyone.







FLORA & FAUNA

Our children catch a glimpse of a vibrant array of plants, from blooming flowers to lush greenery, labelled with their botanical names. From colourful birds chirping melodiously to curious rodents basking in their terrariums, the children are captivated by the diversity of life.





Industrial Visits '24

Recycling Nature's Bounty

One could truly find harmony in the weather of a forest, where nothing exists in our minds, and we are left solely with the sound of birds chirping and the cool breeze rustling through the trees. I wondered if I could experience a similar sense of peace in a woodland incubator. As the name suggests, it would be a business-related entity, but to my surprise, I thoroughly enjoyed my visit to the forest incubator, where I learned a lot.

It was fascinating to learn how forest produce is transformed into high-value commodities. Another surprising fact was that waste materials can be recycled into valuable goods during the manufacturing process itself, which is a rare practice in many industries. Our visit began with an introduction to the forest incubator, which supports small-scale enterprises through various programs.

We then visited the wood carving unit, where we learned about the machinery used, the duration required to carve the wood, and the types of wood suitable for carving, which was quite interesting. Next, we observed the wood hardening procedure, where softwood is heated at a specific temperature for 3–4 days in a sealed room with two large openings in the ceiling to allow humid air to escape. This hardened wood is later used for making doors and cupboards.

Our next stop was at the barricade unit, where we learned how the smallest waste materials are repurposed into useful products. It was equally exciting to learn about oil extraction methods from various seeds and their market values. However, the most thrilling part of the visit was entering the honey filtering unit. It was an experience I had longed for, as this part of the incubator involved no machinery, just the simple and natural process of filtering honey.

On our way through the incubator, we clicked photos and collected some dreamy flowers, which we admired until we reached the school. Afterward, we visited the nursery area, where we learned about bonsai trees-living, dwarf trees grown in containers. We also saw a setting where humidity and temperature can be controlled to suit the specific needs of the plants.

Ultimately, we had the opportunity to view all the products the incubator had created from forest produce. The entire tour was a comprehensive lesson in each product's market value and examples of young entrepreneurs who are successfully using basic forest products to build remarkable businesses.

Learning through visits like these helps us identify opportunities, evaluate ideas, and implement plans for growth. It was an insightful experience that broadened my understanding of how nature and business can work together for sustainable development.

-Khushi Daga, Grade XI







Stepped into Swelect: Where Innovation met Solar Brilliance!





My visit to Swelect Energy Systems was an eye-opening experience that deepened my appreciation for renewable energy and its potential to transform our needs that are available on the planet, Earth. I was immediately impressed by the company's dedication to development and supportability to customers. Swelect stands at the forefront of solar technology, and walking through their facility, I could feel the energy and passion that the team brings to their work.

As I toured the manufacturing facility, I was fascinated by the intricate processes involved in solar panel assembling. Each step, from the initial design to the final quality checks, demonstrated the meticulous attention to detail that goes into creating high-quality solar solutions. The team members I met were eager to share their expertise, explaining how they harness cutting-edge technology to improve efficiency and performance in their products.

One feature of my excursion was the possibility to lock in on talks about almost advancing enterprises. I became aware of Swelect's efforts to provide access to solar energy for both private and commercial sectors. I became even more convinced of the importance of making renewable vitality accessible to everyone after learning about their creative ways of customer involvement and education. It was inspiring to observe how the organization helps businesses and individuals transition to a sun-oriented lifestyle, reducing their energy expenses and environmental impact.

The visit also provided insight into the problems facing the renewable imperatives division. Swelect's group examined authoritative roadblocks and identified variables that may influence the segment. Their professionalism and adaptability in dealing with these difficulties were commendable, emphasizing the role that critical planning and creative thinking have in moving forward.

As I finished my visit, I had a renewed sense of rationality and inspiration. Seeing the Swelect group's dedication and passion renewed my commitment to advocating for economic vitality arrangements. I am grateful for the knowledge I gained throughout my visit, and I look forward to utilizing it in my future endeavors.

In conclusion, my visit to Swelect Vitality Frameworks was more than just an exploration of solar-powered innovation; it was a glimpse into the future of vitality. I walked away inspired by the potential results of renewable energy and the critical role it plays in creating an economically viable future.

-Entrepreneurship Enthusiasts of Grade XII

Takeaway from the Getaway

Experiential learning is an integral part of holistic education. Our pantheon of learning consistently provides multifaceted educational experiences with a systematic approach that helps school learners combine theory and practice, resulting in a deeper understanding through first-hand practical experience. Akin to the above, we had the opportunity to visit an apparel design sector on 12th April 2024, which offered a priceless experience on the practical application of designs that get converted into commercial products. It was a trip to a regional hub of the textile sector at M. R. G Creations, Tirupur, Tamil Nadu, a supplier unit established in 2010. The major activity of this garment industry is manufacturing who are committed to developing the textile sector by inventively producing circular knit greige materials. It has also gained immense expertise in supplying knitted fabrics and trading garments such as men's and women's wear.



The organization has gained its name as one of the top sellers of the products in the district. Yarn, knitted, and woven fabrics are their prime offerings. Their activities place a high value on sustainability, seeking new methods to lessen their effects on our environment. They prioritize ecological protection and encourage responsible industrial practices. They are ahead of revolutionizing the textile industry through innovative and sustainable yarn production. The spinning system here runs on 100% renewable energy, utilizing the power of wind and solar sources.

The visit was a positive experience for both business and education. We had learned the process of spinning, knitting, and weaving. We observed a wide variety of textile machinery and equipments that aid in the conversion of cotton into yarn and yarn into thread. This getaway provided us with an enriching knowledge for our accounting coursework. We got a better grasp of the practical aspects of accounting and finance by witnessing the application of accounting principles in authentic environments. We obtained sound knowledge of how to use financial software, comprehend the significance of taxation and compliance, study business tactics, and notice the day-to-day difficulties faced by those people in their respective fields. We gained a good view of networking opportunities and career insights that would assist children in making well-informed decisions on their future careers. This trip not only strengthens academic learning, and the power of exploration but also gives valuable life skills to our personal and professional lives of learners.

-Sasikala K M, Dept. of Commerce

The Beauty of Life

Life in the world,

To be said out loud and bold.

The beauty of nature,

Filled with all creatures.

Life is found,

Within the Earth's bound.

Now, survival on Earth,

Becoming very hearth.

When the Earth paves,

Our lives will be saved!

-Hansiha M S, Grade XI

The Quest for Happiness

Once, a man was strolling down the street and he saw a passer-by searching for something. The man asked him, "What are you looking for?" He replied, "I am searching for a happy life." The man smiled at him and said, "My dear friend, what can make your life a happy one?" He pondered for a moment and said, "An expensive suit, a good business, and money can make my life a happy one." The man smiled at him and said, "No, my friend, it's not those materialistic things that make your life happy." The passer-by thought for a moment and asked the man, "Oh! Then what will make me happy?" The man paused for a second and explained to him, "Happiness doesn't lie in what food we eat, what clothes we wear, or how much we earn. Happiness is constant, it depends upon the way we accept our life. Any problem perceived positivey will make our life simple and easy." The wise man's words enlightened the passer-by.

-Aadharshya S M, Grade X

The Path to Better Focus

We benefit from focus and concentration as they aid in our work and allow us to learn better about our surroundings. Our ability to focus needs to be developed over time; it is not something we are born with. To progressively develop the habit of mindfulness and concentration, our brain muscles require frequent workouts. It is a level of awareness where we are mindfully engaged.

Why do we need to build healthy concentration skills?

To develop endurance when completing complex assignments and be a go-getter who excels in academics and co-curriculars, while cultivating admirable and promising personal traits.

A few tips to achieve a greater focus:

- Select a cozy location to complete the work.
- Have a fun filled approach to start practicing mindfulness every day.
- Decide the count of pages we wish to read each day and schedule a daily time to read a storybook.
- Habitually exercising our brain muscles to progressively grow.

Let's keep trying to maintain our focus, pursue our dreams, and pace towards our objectives.

-Saathvika S P, Grade VIII

The Falling Sky



One day, a rabbit was peacefully sleeping under a tree when, out of nowhere, a stone fell on his head. Startled, he jumped up and, thought the sky was falling, began to panic.

The sky is falling!
Run for your lives!, he cried.

The animals and birds in the forest began running in a frenzy. But the butterfly, who was sitting nearby, fluttered her wings and laughed.

"Hold on, everyone!
Don't listen to the rabbit.
It was just a stone that fell on his head."

MORAL: Trust only what you see.



-Dhanushri Y P, Grade III

The Gift of Honesty

Belief in God isn't something our eyes can see, yet it shines within the heart, guiding us with light and peace. **True belief blesses our lives with thoughtfulness, honesty, and warmth, filling us with unshakable hope.**

This story reveals the gentle truth of this feeling through a boy named Ram, who, though only 15 years old, carries a deep faith in God. He believes that God observes his every action, silently witnessing his benevolence. Ram is known for his pure heart, moving through life with trustworthiness as his compass. While others may think his innocence makes him too delicate for this world, Ram isn't bothered-he lives by the whisper of his soul and does what feels right.

Ram has a companion, Sonu, a perky boy who sometimes tells white lies to his parents to maintain a strategic distance from inconvenience. One sunny day, the two companions were at Ram's home, giggling and playing. Ram's mother asked him to run to the shop for some groceries. With a smile, Ram agreed, and off he went with Sonu in tow. After gathering their groceries, Ram paid the shopkeeper. The shopkeeper, in a small error, gave back an extra 20 rupee note. Ram didn't notice the mistake, but Sonu did. Keeping quiet, Sonu thought they'd gained a little bonus.

On their way home, Sonu pointed out the extra money. Without hesitation, Ram turned back and returned the money to the shopkeeper. Sonu was puzzled and even mocked him a bit, wondering why Ram would bother over such a small amount. Yet Ram's face glowed with quiet satisfaction. To him, this moment felt like a gift from God, a small test of honesty that he had passed successfully. When he told his mother about it, she was filled with pride.

A few days later, Ram visited Sonu's home, only to find Sonu searching anxiously on the roadside. Ram gently inquired about what had happened, and Sonu, looking downhearted, explained that he had lost some money his mother had given him. He feared she wouldn't believe him because of his past little lies. Ram urged Sonu to tell the truth, saying that honesty would bring him peace and that God would support him if he was truthful.

Encouraged by Ram, Sonu went home to confess. His mother was initially doubtful, but Ram spoke up, assuring her of Sonu's truthfulness. Slowly, her anger lessened, and she pardoned Sonu, happy for his honesty and newfound understanding.



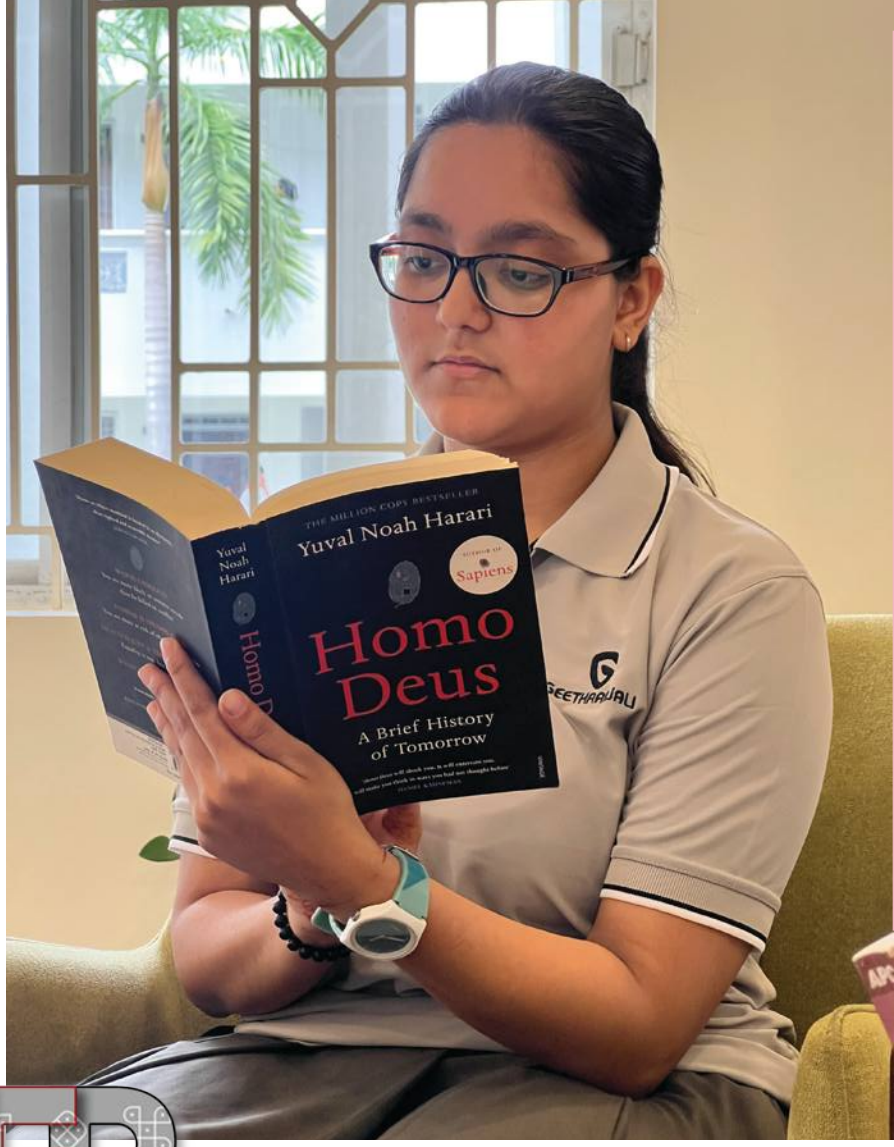
Through this story, we see that life is full of illusions and shadows that try to cloud our judgment. Yet, when we trust in our goodness and the guidance of our faith, we see clearly. In a world that may sometimes seem like a haze of confusion, remember to be true to yourself and always to your belief in a higher power. There's no need to prove anything to others; let your actions shine in the presence of the Almighty, whose gentle eyes are continuously watching. So, go out of the delusion, embrace the purity of your heart, and believe in the beauty of straightforward, kind deeds.

For it is in these little moments that life's greatest truths are revealed.

-Jenifer Jayaprakash, Grade XI

The Reading Club members actively involve in selecting every book to read. They discuss various options and ultimately vote on their top choice, showing great enthusiasm for the upcoming literary journey. Children engage in lively discussions about their recent reads, sharing insights and perspectives on various themes, characters, and narratives. This activity not only enhances their understanding of the texts, but also fosters shared learning.





CHAPTER CHATS



Radiant Raconteurs!



Under the delightful guidance of our educators, our fun-spirited primary kids aboard whimsical journeys into the world of animation and digital storytelling. With dumbfounded wonder, they craft enchanting tales featuring charming characters and vibrant adventures. Each child's unique imagination brings a digital canvas to life, painting a colourful mosaic of creativity and joy. Their stories filled with laughter and humour, flaunts their budding skills and the endless possibilities of storytelling, making way for truly enchanted experiences.





Our Budding Entrepreneurs

Geethaanjali transforms our children into young financial wizards and business entrepreneurs. Financial Literacy Market Fairs are regular dynamic events that blend fun, creativity, and learning. Children set up colourful stalls simulating a bustling marketplace to enhance their newfound skills in financial decision-making, negotiating, confidently handling play money, and striking deals with their peers. The fair highlights their understanding of budgeting, saving, and investing. Here's the best part of instilling a sense of entrepreneurial spirit, leaving everyone inspired and eager to apply these essential life skills in the real world.











EMPOWERING
the innovators of
TOMORROW

The youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow.
- Nelson Mandela

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YOUTH IDEATHON 2024
by MEPSC Management & Entrepreneurship and Professional Skills Council

We profoundly aim to engage and enrich our young minds, which always brims with curiosity. India's largest entrepreneurship competition for school students, the ***Youth Ideathon***, is all about inspiring young minds to think creatively and solve real-world problems. Participating in the Ideathon for the first time is an exciting and enriching experience-one that encourages the creation, innovation, and implementation of ideas. The competition was fierce, with 1.8 lakh young innovators from over 5,000 schools across India. We wonderfully made it to the next level to compete with 50,000 contenders and finally rocked the event by grabbing prizes within the top 500.

Placed in All India's top 1% out of 1.8 lakh participants

The journey through the Ideathon lasted several months, filled with workshops, mentorship sessions, and brainstorming activities. We had numerous meetings with entrepreneurship experts focused on product development. Throughout the process, we were able to connect with like-minded experts, all driven by the shared goal of creating a positive impact on our society. One standout experience was the mentorship sessions with accomplished entrepreneurs, whose feedback not only helped us refine our project, but also inspired us to think bigger and bolder.



Grade XI senior team consisting of Haritha J S, Hanisha M S, Vaishna N, and Jack Sunil R presented ***ECOLIQ***, an innovative technology that converts atmospheric carbon into a useful liquid using a proprietary formula. This breakthrough provides a sustainable solution for carbon capture, with a non-toxic byproduct that can be used instantly, without further processing. ***TALK TECH PARTNERS***, a smart communication aid powered by Raspberry Pi was designed by Subhaharini R T, Pradakshina Sre P, Tharika M, Saghana A S, and Nivashini A S from grade VIII to help individuals express emotions in various situations. It features programmable emojis and text support, allowing users to customize symbols and characters, displayed with corresponding sounds. Another enthusiastic team from grade VIII with Saran S, Sanjith A, Dharshan A, and Sanjairam S created ***WHISPERING DISHES***, a robust communication tool using old cable dishes. This solution works reliably in harsh weather conditions and requires no electricity, making it eco-friendly and cost-efficient. Put together, these innovations offer sustainable, practical solutions for a cleaner, greener, and connected future.



Being part of the **Top 500** is just the beginning. The Ideathon offers ongoing support, providing further mentorship as we continue developing our project and collaborating with other young innovators. Participating in the Youth Ideathon 2024 was an unforgettable experience that enhanced our skills and connected us to a global community of passionate changemakers. We are deeply grateful to our beloved mentors: Ameenoor Raseed, Padmarani and Preethalakshmi for their invaluable support in transforming **our ideas into a working product**. This journey has reinforced our belief that ideas can only come to life through relentless effort, positive perseverance, and effective problem-solving. Together at Geethaanjali, let's continue to foster the spirit of innovation and excellence. We wish all the **budding innovators** to reach untouched horizons in their future endeavors.

-Vaishna N, Grade XI, Tharika M & Saran S, Grade VIII

Back-to-Back Victory: Geethaanjali Shines at Veetuku Oru Vignani 2024

Our school has once again set a benchmark in academic excellence with its remarkable victory at the prestigious **Veetuku Oru Vignani program 2024**. Hosting the event this year, yet again at our School Grounds, we proudly witnessed our children sweep awards in both the junior and senior categories, making it a consecutive triumph that booms with the spirit of innovation, curiosity, and critical thinking we strive to cultivate.

Fostering curiosity and boosting young minds // Our victory in the Veetuku Oru Vignani program reflects more than just academic success-it is a celebration of our commitment to nurturing a lifelong love for science and exploration. The program challenges young minds to think beyond textbooks, applying knowledge creatively and practically. Children brainstormed, designed, and presented projects that addressed real-world issues, showcasing their understanding and problem-solving skills. While talking to the reporters from Puthiya Thalaimurai Channel, our Correspondent, Mr. Hari Gobalan, expressed heartfelt pride in the achievement, saying, *"This triumph is an extraordinary milestone, one that reflects the hard work and brilliance of our students and the unwavering support of our dedicated teachers. It's thrilling to see the innovative ideas of children come to life."*

The dedication of our teachers and leaders // Behind every child's success is a foundation of guidance, encouragement, and mentoring. Our teachers dedicated countless hours to supporting each one's project, from conceptualization to presentation. Principal Dr. Subbulakshmi V shared, *"Our teachers have gone above and beyond to mentor our students, fostering an environment where learning and curiosity thrive. This victory is a reflection of their relentless efforts and the values we uphold at Geethaanjali."* Through this accomplishment, we are reminded that a supportive community and focused mentorship can unlock immense potential within young learners. This victory is as much a celebration of our teachers' commitment as it is of our students' brilliance.

The voices of our champions // This year's participants were thrilled to share their experiences as they reflected on the journey that led them to this success. *"Participating in Veetuku Oru Vignani is a journey of discovery. We learn the importance of teamwork, perseverance, and creative thinking,"* says a science enthusiast student. Another added, *"Winning consecutively has been such an inspiring experience! It motivates us to push our boundaries even further and continue exploring new ideas."* Their joy and excitement were visible to everyone present at the event, with each child's presentation displaying a unique approach to solving problems, be it in environmental science, technology, or engineering. Their zeal and pride in their work serve as an inspiration to their peers and a reminder of the endless possibilities that come with a curious mind.

An achievement rooted in our School's values // Geethaanjali's triumph at Veetuku Oru Vignani is more than a trophy-it's a parade to our school's unwavering belief in the power of holistic education. We believe in creating an environment, where children are encouraged to question, analyse, and innovate. Programs like Veetuku Oru Vignani provide the perfect platform for our students to display their talents and validate our educational philosophy.

A future full of promise // We are confident that the knowledge, skills, and values instilled at Geethaanjali will continue to shape young minds ready to face the challenges of tomorrow. This back-to-back victory is a defining moment in our journey, one that reaffirms our commitment for empowering young innovators. Congratulations to our talented students, dedicated teachers, supportive families, and everyone who made this possible. We eagerly await the next chapter in our story of academic excellence and innovation!

-Sree Varshini S P, Grade IX



Senior Category: **I^st^ Prize**
Raajkumar D & Kousik K A, Grade XI, Geethaanjali
Project: Roadside to Road



Junior Category: **II^nd^ Prize**
Hansha Ferhoon M & Arunachalam M, Grade VII, Geethaanjali
Project: Power Generating Speed Breaker

The Forces That Keep Us Grounded - Motion & Inertia Explained

Why do we land in the same place when we jump?

Have you ever wondered why, when you jump up, you land back in the same spot-even though the Earth is rotating at a thousand miles per hour? Or why, if you try the same thing in a moving train, you sometimes end up in a slightly different place? Let's dive into these fascinating mysteries of motion and see what science can tell us.

How do we land in the same place on a spinning Earth?

It might seem logical to think that if you jump straight up on a rotating Earth, you should land in a different spot. But you don't! The answer lies in two key physics principles: inertia and relative motion.

- *Inertia is the property of an object that resists changes in its state of motion. Before you jump, you're already moving with the Earth at the same speed as its rotation. So, even while airborne, you continue moving at the same speed and direction as the Earth's surface. It's like when you're in a car moving at a constant speed and tossing a ball straight up-it falls back into your hand, not because the ball isn't moving, but because it's moving with the car. Similarly, when you jump on Earth, you're moving with it.*
- *This brings us to relative motion: From your perspective, you went straight up and came straight down. But to someone looking from outer space, you travelled in a curved path along with the Earth. The air around you, also rotating with the Earth, adds to the effect, making it impossible to sense the movement.*

Why do we land differently in a moving train?

Now, let's consider a moving train. If the train travels in a straight line at a constant speed, the same principles of inertia and relative motion apply. You're already moving with the train, so when you jump, you land in the same spot relative to the train. However, things get interesting if the train accelerates, decelerates, or takes a sharp turn!

- *When the train changes speed: If the train slows down or speeds up while you're airborne, the floor moves relative to you. This causes you to land slightly forward or backward, depending on the train's acceleration.*
- *When the train takes a curve: In a curve, the train's direction is constantly changing, creating a sideways force called centripetal acceleration. When you jump, you're no longer following that curved path. You travel straight, but the train floor is curving beneath you, causing you to land a bit off from where you jumped.*

What happens when objects collide?

Imagine two balls of equal mass rolling toward each other at the same speed. What happens when they collide? According to Newton's third law of motion, each ball exerts an equal and opposite force on the other. This law states that for every action, there's an equal and opposite reaction. The outcome of the collision depends on the impact!

- *Perfectly elastic collision: If neither ball loses energy, it will bounce back at the same speed it had before.*
- *Inelastic collision: If the balls stick together, they stop, as their combined momentum cancels out.*

  In real-life collisions, some energy is lost to sound, heat, or deformation, making the collision partially elastic. However, no matter the energy loss, Newton's third law always ensures that forces remain equal and opposite.

Science in Action

The next time you jump on a trampoline, ride in a bus or watch two balls collide, you'll know that these are perfect examples of how fundamental forces and motions work. The invisible rules of physics are always at play, keeping you in the same place on a rotating Earth or guiding the way objects interact. So, whether you're in a science class or just curious, keep asking 'why'-because sometimes, the simplest questions lead to the most fascinating answers!

-Santhosh V, Father of
Dvaith Santhosh, Grade VIII & Tejaswini Santhosh, Grade V



BASKETBALL
THE BEGINNING

James Naismith researched physical education and imparted it to his proteges, who had a lot of energy but couldn't find a way to burn it off. Coinciding his childhood memory with this given situation, he created a game of hanging buckets in two corners of the gym and named it ***'Basketball'***. He framed 13 sets of rules to make the game more organized. Basketball, a team sport, was thus born where two teams with nine members on either side compete against one another. The initial scoring points were given to whoever shoots the ball in the opponent's basket. They practiced with self discipline and performed with engrossment.

The NBA (National Basketball Association) conducts most of the basketball matches. Competitions are conducted in many forms for various levels and widely played in Western countries. Modifications to the rules made the game more amusing, that dribbling was also allowed. Backboards were introduced to make scoring easier. The peach basket was replaced with a net and a unique ball to make dribbling and quick shooting. The players play the game blending their agility and speed with aerodynamic tactics. They also learnt to coordinate with their team to make their victory a remarkable one. Basketball was recognized and incorporated into the Olympics in 1936, wherein Naismith tossed the ball for the tipoff. The game he invented just as a 'winter distraction' has turned into a global sport. In conclusion, the origin, evolution, and enduring appeal of basketball, illustrates how a simple game created to engage energetic athletes has transformed into a global sport that continues to inspire teamwork, discipline, and a passion for learning both on and off the court.

-Amaleshwaran S & Thanajeyan S, Batch 2023



Hoop Dreams

If you do not believe in yourself, no one will do it for you.
– Kobe Byrant

In the world of sports, speed and strategy go neck-to-neck. In this enchanting game of basketball, two squads of five players, embark on a quest to score points. My fascination with basketball has always been fuelled by the exhilarating blend of fast-paced action, fierce competition, and the imperative need for teamwork. Recently, I had the privilege of diving into the world of hoops, and the experience was noteworthy.

Under our coach's able guidance, intense practices revealed the strategic depth of basketball. The much-anticipated day finally arrived, bathed in the glow of a sunny morning. Lacing up my sneakers and engaging in a few pre-game stretches, I could feel the excitement pulsating through the team. Our coach delivered a motivating pre-match talk, setting the tone for the challenges ahead.

The whistle blew, and the match started. The first few minutes scorched the court fiercely. We soon discovered that our opponents were formidable due to accurate shooting and quick passes. Perseverance and teamwork made us stay in the game. Every position felt like a tiny victory, every ball met the basket.

Beyond being a mere game, basketball unfolded as a harmonious blend of skill and strategy. It possesses the unique power to connect individuals on and off the court. Playing amidst the enthralling spirit of competition not only disciplined my body but also engaged my mind in a dance of tactics and quick thinking, preparing me for a promising future.

-Johithvaibhav V P, Grade IX







With smiles and cheers echoing, our children showcase their athletic prowess and sportsmanship, making it a memorable day filled with fervour, excitement and camaraderie.











Community Awareness

'Small actions can make a big difference when we care about each other.'

At our School, we believe that real learning goes beyond classrooms. The school has always been committed to shaping responsible citizens, and our students are leading the way. They are not just focused on academics-they're also passionate about making impactful social consciousness. From organizing awareness campaigns to volunteering for local causes, they strive to make a tangible difference in our society.

By working on community development projects, the kids learn the values of service, compassion, and strength of collective effort. Our students always step up with innovative ideas and hands-on projects, taking ownership of the challenges faced by our community and contributing to meaningful solutions. Whether it's environmental conservation, social welfare, or awareness drives, they make their indelible mark as future leaders.

Cycle rallies, marathons, drug abuse awareness campaigns, and slogan-making contests are a few of the initiatives, the children actively engage in working together creates a positive impact to the world around them. Driven by a sense of keen responsibility and accountability, they actively involve themselves in such proactive events.













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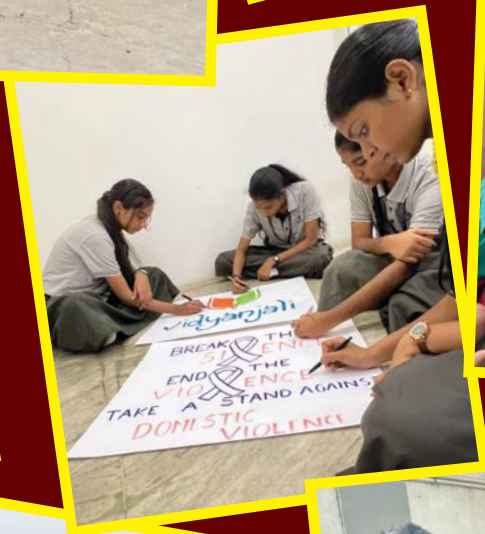





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Anchors of Integrity: A Voyage of Leadership & Legacy

There are moments in life when we're called to rise above the ordinary, stepping into roles that challenge our view of the world. One such pivotal experience for me was serving as part of the Election Commission. Looking back, it feels like a grand voyage - a journey through uncharted waters that forged in me strength, integrity, and wisdom. This wasn't just a role; it was a path of discovery, where each step left an unforgettable imprint on my character.

When I was appointed to the Election Commission, excitement surged through me. Like a captain entrusted with guiding a ship, I knew this was more than managing logistics; it was about nurturing fairness, upholding transparency, and empowering the voice of democracy within our school. The election was our destination, yet every moment was a wave to navigate each candidate, each voter held unique perspectives, dreams, and hopes. Our mission was to ensure that, ***'Every voice is heard; Every choice is valued.'***

This task was no small feat; it called for a balance of firmness and compassion, like navigating through turbulent seas. As a trusted guide, I helped candidates focus on their values, stayed committed to upholding rules, and kept the essence of integrity at the core. Every challenge became a lesson in resilience and responsibility.

Reflecting on this journey, I realized that leadership is a lifelong endeavour - one that impacts not just the outcomes of the moment but also the very fabric of our community. The election may be over, but the lessons remain. True leadership, I discovered, resonates beyond immediate horizons, creating ripples of trust, honesty, and purpose. Each small action in leadership holds the power to inspire and build a legacy - an echo of integrity that continues long after the journey ends.



-Ishwaryaa Ravikumar, Grade XII
Geethaanjali Election Commission

The Power of Perspective: ZAIRA's Impact Beyond Winning

"In every triumph we celebrate, the spirit of our school stands beside us,
In every milestone we reach, the echo of its support resonates".

It is a testament to believe that together we can make a difference. Each candidate's unique story filled with experiences and aspirations lies behind the democratic voyage of Geethaanjali. The electoral journey of 2024-25 emphasizes the adventurous and uproarious experience of six different parties: Zaira, Glider, Ignite, Vox Aura, Liberto, and Athena. Campaign and result days are special days wrapped in effervescence. These lessons are the key to our later phases of life. We become resilient with a stirring sense of determination. On 10 July 2024, election day, it feels like a race against the clock as candidates and voters scramble to make their voices heard.

Grabbing the maximum number of votes as ZAIRA was a moment of pride and excitement for our team. We celebrated our hard work and dedication, believing we were on the path to making a meaningful impact. However, an unexpected twist of coalition left us in the role of the Opposition. While this may seem like a setback, we see it as an opportunity to redefine leadership and engagement within our school community. Whenever our kiddos call us **'ZAIRA AKKA'** or **'ZAIRA ANNA'**, those faces give us new hope and they inspire us. We truly believed, the sayings of Nelson Mandela, ***'The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall'.***

If we could rewind time, then we'd press the button on the evening of 12 July 2024, when our momentous Swearing-in Ceremony took place. Our hearts were filled with gratitude to our powerful hearts of voters, our teacher ambassadors, and each one of them who made that day so very special. As the Presidential candidate of our party, I am privileged to mention that 'Zaira is an emotion' that we faced against all the odds and took responsibility as one ZAIRA.

We strongly believe that a real victory in an election is becoming a democratic party that wins the heart of the people. And we hope we have made real progress. Holding tightly to the real spirit of our Geethaanjali's election, it's not just about the titles or positions; it's about making a difference in the lives of people around us.

In this vibrant community, we are encouraged to explore the depths of our curiosity, transforming challenges into opportunities for our triumph. It's been 13 years as a student at ***'Geethaanjali: The Land of Unbounded Freedom and Aspirations,'*** that every moment this land has given me acuity in vision and thoughts. Being the Guiding Party Leader 2024, we have the strong motto – ***'In unity, we find strength; In diversity, we acheive progress.'***

-Janapriya S, Grade XI
Leader, Zaira - The Guiding Party 2024

The Unforgettable Journey of Ignite Party from Scratch to Victory

This year's high school election was ***more than just a competition; it was a story of dedication, teamwork, and a victory,*** we never saw coming. As a member of the Ignite party, I'm thrilled to share our journey from a simple idea to a coalition victory that's left us both proud and amazed.

Our party head just didn't start in her role as a leader. She began as an enthusiastic supporter, whose commitment quickly earned her the trust and respect of everyone on the team. When she was offered the opportunity to step up as the President, she embraced it with utmost humility and a clear vision that inspired us all. It was her idea that became our party's motto, a phrase that guided us through every challenge in the campaign.

Our identity as a party came together step by step. We eventually settled on an official symbol, which became central to our campaign and was displayed everywhere-from posters and badges to logos hanging on trees around campus, thanks to one of the creative ideas from a family member. Beyond our official emblem, we also had a special hand symbol, suggested by a sixth-grade class, that we used as a rallying gesture during campaign events. This hand symbol wasn't for posters or displays; instead, it became a unique emblem we used in person to connect with supporters and strengthen our unity.

The success of Ignite was ***truly a team effort***, with each member stepping up and taking on their own responsibilities. But we couldn't have done it without our incredible supporters-at least ten dedicated students who were with us every step of the way. They helped organize gatherings, put up posters, hung logos, and rallied the student body. With their help, we gathered feedback, organized meet-ups, and kept the excitement high. In addition, our team coordinated two rounds of feedback meetings with teachers to gather insights and refine our campaign, adding a thoughtful touch to our strategy.

As the election day approached, we were hopeful but still prepared for the possibility of being the opposition. Keeping our fingers crossed, none of us expected what came next. When the results were announced, we found ourselves in a winning coalition with the Gliders and Athena parties. The victory was surreal, especially for our President, who, as a first-time candidate, was now stepping into this major role. Emotions ran high, but her calm and grounded presence kept us focused on the celebration.

Swearing-in day was an incredible whirlwind. Walking up to the stage with the Principal, Correspondent, Alumni, and school band was a joyful moment that filled us with excitement and a true sense of pride. Then came the handover of the school flag from last year's president to our new leader, a moment heavy with the responsibility it symbolized. Holding that flag was a powerful reminder of the commitment we were making to our school, and the weight of that responsibility was tangible.

Our team scrambled to prepare flags for the occasion, almost mixing up the colours in our rush. Yet, in true Ignite spirit, we kept going. Our president, though anxious, delivered an emotional and inspiring speech that brought us all back to why we started this journey in the first place. As we stood together for the oath-taking ceremony, a surge of pride and purpose filled each of us. Finally, signing the commitment pledge became the seal on our promise to lead with integrity, passion, and teamwork.

And so, the new Student Council of 2024-25 was officially formed, charged with a ***mission to make this year full of purpose and unity.*** The Ignite journey may soon come to an end, but its impact will endure-each of us committed to leaving a legacy that inspires others to believe in the power of dedication and teamwork. Together, we are ready to bring meaningful change and leave a positive mark on our school community. ***As we pass the torch, we hope that future councils will carry forward the spirit of Ignite and continue making every year unforgettable.***

-Ignite, The Leading Party 2024







Unearthing the Past: A Student Exploration of Kodumanal

The journey was a great experience where learners eagerly shared their expectations and discussed stories. Fumbling upon the ancient ruins and artifacts captivated by the craftmanship and imagination, it sparked a genuine curiosity about the lives, cultures, and events of the past.









Exploring Tanjore

A Journey to the Big Temple

Our recent school trip to Thanjavur was an unforgettable experience that gave us a deep understanding of the rich heritage and history of this beautiful city. The highlight of our visit was the **Brihadeeswara Temple**, also known as the Big Temple, which is over a thousand years old. Built by the great emperor **Raja Raja Cholan I** in 1010 CE, this magnificent temple is a true testament to ancient architecture and engineering.

As we stepped into the temple, we were instantly awed by its towering structure. The massive dome, which weighs tons, stands tall and proud, without a visible shadow during certain times of the day. This unusual phenomenon sparked our curiosity, and we learned that it is a result of the temple's precise architectural design. The temple is said to follow the principles of the Golden Ratio, a mathematical concept that helps create perfect symmetry and balance in architecture and art.

Walking around the temple, we also learned about its cultural significance. The temple's walls are adorned with intricate carvings that depict stories from Hindu mythology, while the central sanctum houses a majestic idol of Lord Shiva. The entire complex radiated a sense of peace and devotion, and we felt connected to the rich spiritual traditions that have flourished here for centuries.

We learnt fascinating stories about Thanjavur's past, from its agricultural significance as the **Rice Bowl of Tamil Nadu** to its vibrant crafts, including Tanjore paintings and bronze icons. We even got to taste the local cuisine, including the tangy Sathamudhu rasam and the sweet Thirukanamadhu payasam, which made the experience even more memorable.

Visiting Thanjavur and the Brihadeeswara Temple not only deepened our knowledge of India's history but also filled us with a sense of pride in our rich cultural heritage. It was a truly educational and joyous trip.



Is time travel possible?

This is a question that many people ask in today's world. Science fiction films often give us the impression that we could travel through time, if we surpass the speed of light. But in reality, this is a topic with many challenges and limitations. However, it's important to remember that science fiction today frequently becomes science fact tomorrow. By the end of this article, you may understand how to approach the ***paradox of time.*** To understand time travel, it's essential to first grasp how time behaves. In physics, time is treated as a dimension, and Albert Einstein's theory of relativity combines time with the three spatial dimensions to form a four-dimensional continuum called spacetime. According to relativity, time is relative-it can pass at different rates depending on the observer's speed. For example, when an object moves close to the speed of light, time for that object slows down compared to an observer at rest. This phenomenon, known as ***time dilation***, has been confirmed through experiments.

Einstein's General Theory of Relativity adds another layer of complexity by introducing gravity's effect on time. Gravity warps spacetime, causing time to pass more slowly near massive objects like planets, stars, and black holes. The stronger the gravitational field, the slower time flows. This means time moves at different rates for each planet in our solar system, depending on its mass and gravitational pull. Although time dilation allows us to move forward in time, it does not permit us to go backward. However, several theoretical ideas propose mechanisms that could make time travel possible. These ideas include:

Wormholes: Wormholes, also known as Einstein-Rosen bridges, are hypothetical tubes of spacetime that could link distant points in space and time. If these structures exist, they might allow for travel between different locations and times. However, the existence of wormholes is purely theoretical at this point.

Cosmic Strings: Cosmic strings are one-dimensional defects in spacetime that may have formed in the early universe. Some theories suggest that if two cosmic strings pass by each other at high speeds, they could create loops in time, potentially allowing for time travel. This remains purely speculative, but it offers an intriguing possibility.

Closed Timelike Curves (CTCs): Closed timelike curves are hypothetical solutions to Einstein's equations that suggest the possibility of paths through spacetime that loop back on themselves. If such curves exist, they might theoretically allow for backward time travel. Regardless this idea is still a subject of much debate in theoretical physics.

The Grandfather Paradox: One classic paradox associated with time travel is the grandfather paradox. It asks: "If you could go back in time and prevent your grandparents from meeting, would you cease to exist?" This creates a logical contradiction and raises important questions about causality and the nature of time itself.

Conclusion: Time Travel – Science or Fiction?

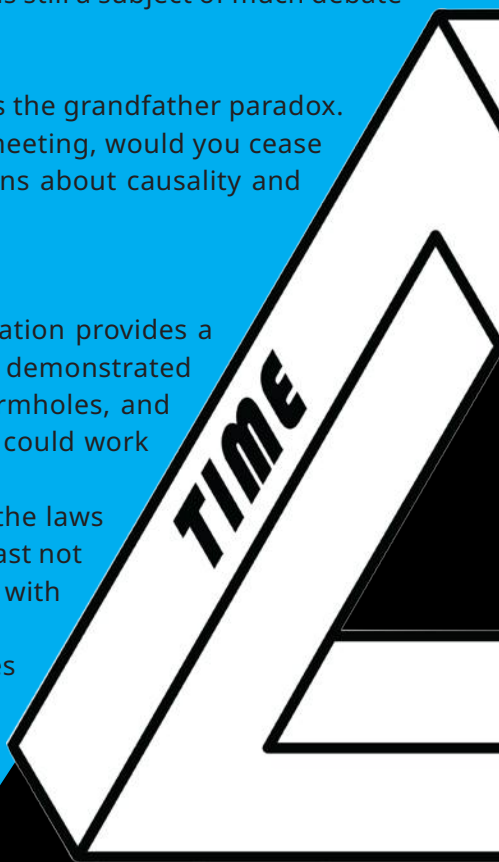
Currently, time travel remains in the realm of theoretical science. Time dilation provides a way to travel forward in time, but backward time travel has not yet been demonstrated or proven. While some physicists explore concepts like cosmic strings, wormholes, and closed timelike curves, we are still far from understanding how time travel could work practically.

Most physicists agree that, based on our current understanding of the laws of physics, the type of time travel often depicted in films is not possible-at least not with the technology and knowledge we have today. However, the fascination with time travel continues to spark imagination and scientific exploration.

In the future, who knows, even the theories of cosmic strings and wormholes might someday become a reality. Until then, let's appreciate the mysteries of time, engage with time-based paradoxes, and ask ourselves again:

Is time travel possible?

-Hariharasuthan S, Grade X



Can an Infinite Hotel Ever Run Out of Room?

Imagine a hotel with an infinite number of rooms, all filled with guests. Welcome to **Hilbert's Hotel**, a thought experiment that challenges our understanding of infinity. While it may sound fantastical, the concept offers profound insights into mathematics and even the way we think about the world.

The Concept of Hilbert's Hotel: At a first glance, Hilbert's Hotel seems like the perfect place: infinite rooms, infinite space. But what happens when a new guest arrives at this fully booked hotel? The paradox lies in the hotel's infinite nature-despite being completely occupied, there's always room for more guests. How is that even possible? Let's explore.

Making Room for New Guests: Imagine a new guest knocking at the door of this fully occupied hotel. The manager, ever resourceful, devises a plan. He asks each guest to move from room (n) to room (n+1). This simple shift creates a vacancy in room 1. Even in an infinite hotel, small adjustments can make room for infinite new arrivals. This example shows how infinity behaves in ways that defy our intuition. This thought experiment highlights infinite series can be put into one-to-one correspondence.

The Infinitely Long Bus: Now, picture an infinite bus arriving at the hotel, bringing an infinite number of new guests. How can the manager accommodate them all? By instructing each current guest to move to a room numbered double their current number, all the odd-numbered rooms become available. Suddenly, the hotel isn't just accommodating one new guest, but an entire infinite line of new arrivals. This scenario challenges our conventional understanding of space and capacity.

A Unique Challenge - The Infinite Party Bus: But the surprises don't end there. Imagine a bus filled with guests identified by infinitely long sequences of letters-each one unique and unmatchable. The manager soon realizes that he cannot use the same strategy to accommodate this new group. This reveals that not all infinities are the same, a concept that is more perplexing than it seems.

Countably Infinite vs. Uncountably Infinite: The core of this paradox lies in the difference between countably infinite and uncountably infinite sets. The rooms in Hilbert's hotel are countably infinite, meaning they can be listed one by one. But the guests from the party bus represent an uncountably infinite set, so vast that they cannot be paired one-to-one with the rooms. This shatters the illusion of infinite accommodation and reveals that some infinities are indeed larger than others.

The Broader Implications: Hilbert's Hotel isn't just a mathematical curiosity-it has profound implications for fields like computer science, physics, and philosophy. Understanding different types of infinity helps us navigate complex problems in data storage, algorithms, and even the nature of the universe.

Conclusion - The Infinite Journey Continues: Hilbert's Hotel may be a thought experiment, but it opens the door to a deeper understanding of infinity. As we question the limits of our comprehension, we realize that infinity isn't just a concept-it's a window into endless possibilities, both in math and in life.

'I am incapable of conceiving infinity, and yet I do not accept finity.
– Simon de Beauvoir

-Kiruthik Sai B, Grade IX

ஆசிரியர்களுக்கான பெருமிதம்..!!

அனைத்து குழந்தைகளும் என்னவையே..!
அன்போடு கண்டிப்போடு
பண்போடு பக்குவத்தோடு
பாசத்தோடு நேசத்தோடு
பக்தியோடு பரவசத்தோடு
ஐக்கியம் ஆகிறோம்
ஏதோ ஒன்றோடு
அனைத்தும் ஆசிரியருக்கே..!
ஆசிரியருக்கு மட்டுமே..!
இரத்த பந்தம் இல்லாத உறவு
ஆசிரிய மாணவ உறவு
நாங்கள் சொன்னால் கேட்பதில்லை
நீங்கள் கூறுங்கள் கேட்பான்
எவ்வளவு நம்பிக்கையான வரிகள்
ஆசிரியருக்கே உரித்தானது - ஆம்
பெருமிதம் கொள்கின்றேன் ஆசிரியையாய்..!!
சாத்தியம் அல்ல எளிதில்
இடம் பெறுவது குழந்தைகள் மனதில்
இடம் கிடைத்து விட்டாலோ இனிமை
இதய சிம்மாசனத்திலோ இருக்கை..!
இறுதி வரை நிலைத்திருக்கும் உறவு
ஆசிரிய மாணவர் உறவு
பெருமிதம் கொள்கிறேன் ஆசிரியையாய்..!!
நட்புக்கு அடுத்து நம்பிக்கைத் தருவது
ஆசிரிய மாணவர் உறவு
சாதி மதம் தாண்டி ஏற்ற தாழ்வு இன்றி
ஏற்றம் தரும் உறவு
வளர்ச்சி நிலை கண்டு,
பொறாமைப்படாது பெருமைப்படும்
ஆசிரிய மாணவர் உறவு
மாணவனின் வளர்ச்சியில்
கர்வம் கொள்ளும் மனம்
பெற்றெடுக்காத பிள்ளைகள் தான்
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என் பிள்ளை என கர்வமாக
என் ஆசிரியை எனப் பெருமையாக
அளவளாவிக் களிப்பு தரும் உறவு
ஆசிரியப் பணியில் மட்டுமே..!!
அடுத்த பிறவி உண்டென்றால் இறைவா
ஆசிரியையாய் பிறக்க வரம் தா..!
நல் மக்களை உருவாக்கும் வல்லமையோடு.

-பரிமளம் பிரகாசம், தமிழாசிரியை

இன்னொரு விடியல்..!!

இரவுகளை ஆட்கொள்ளும் இருளை
நிலவும் நட்சத்திரங்களும் எதிர்த்து
நடத்தும் போராட்டங்கள் கூட
இதமானவைதான்..!
வெண்மதியை மறைக்கும் மேகங்கள்
அங்கேயே நிலைப்பதில்லை..!
விலகிச் செல்லும் மேகங்கள் போல,
கடந்து போகும் நேரங்களும் நகர்கின்றன..!
விடியலை நோக்கி,
வலியவன் மனதிலே இருளோடு கரைய,
ஒளியிவன் வாழ்விலே விடியலாய்ப் படியும்..!
ஒவ்வொரு இரவும் இன்னொரு விடியலுக்கானது..!!

-ருக்குமணி தேவி க, உதவியாளர்



ஓவியர்: கவினயா க வ,
பதினொன்றாம் வகுப்பு

பெண்ணே நீ வா..!!

வரும் துயர் தன்னை உதறி,
பெண்ணே நீ வா..!
கலங்கிய கண்கள் வேண்டாம்
கனல் தகித்த கண்களோடு,
பெண்ணே நீ வா..!
திணறிய தருணங்கள் போதும் - உன் திறன் பறைசாற்ற,
பெண்ணே நீ வா..!
கவிஞனின் மையில் கவிதையாய் இருந்தது போதும்
உலகினை உன் புதுக்கவிதையால் புரட்டிப்போட,
பெண்ணே நீ வா..!
சிற்பியின் உளியில் சிலையாக இருந்தது போதும்
புது உலகினைச் செதுக்கும் சிற்பியாக
பெண்ணே நீ வா..!!

-யமுனா பாரதி மெ, நூலகர்

Beyond the Smile

No language can express a woman's power, beauty, and heroism. Women are the most powerful and important personality in this world. But have we ever stopped to think about working women? A working woman happily shoulders her duties at home as a-mother, daughter, grand mother, sister, wife, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law and friend. At the workplace, she's a boss or a colleague to her co-workers, and a leader to her team. We are teachers, bankers, doctors, engineers, pilots, and so much more. Fantabulous, isn't it?

A working woman has the extraordinary ability to balance both her family and work. Her day begins with a cup of coffee, followed by household chores- from **"Where is my crayon, mummy?"** to **"Did you see my blue tie?"**- from every little thing to anything under the sky, is under her control. Yet, she needs to be fresh and show up at her workplace with no signs of tiredness, because SHE is the light to many around her for the attainment of their hopes. There she goes, on and on, completing her duties and wrapping up the day tirelessly.

Is anyone truly concerned about the woman who tolerates all the hurdles and never stops herself from constantly thinking working, caring, worrying, and satisfying others? Have we ever heard her utter the word 'NO'? But amidst this endless journey, does she have any time for herself? Without delay, it's high time that we empathize with the unspoken desires embedded within her that are left uncared by the people around her. When are these people going to understand and respect the self-esteem of a woman? Hats off to the ultimate power, a superior species to the masculine.

My salutations to all those working women who play their roles and responsibilities impeccably with a broad sweet smile, even though their hearts are filled with untold and unheard stories. Now it's our turn to reciprocate by listening to all those undivulged words. Let's be supportive and respect them!

-Thabasaum Farhana J
Mother of Hana J T, Grade IV



I adore you!

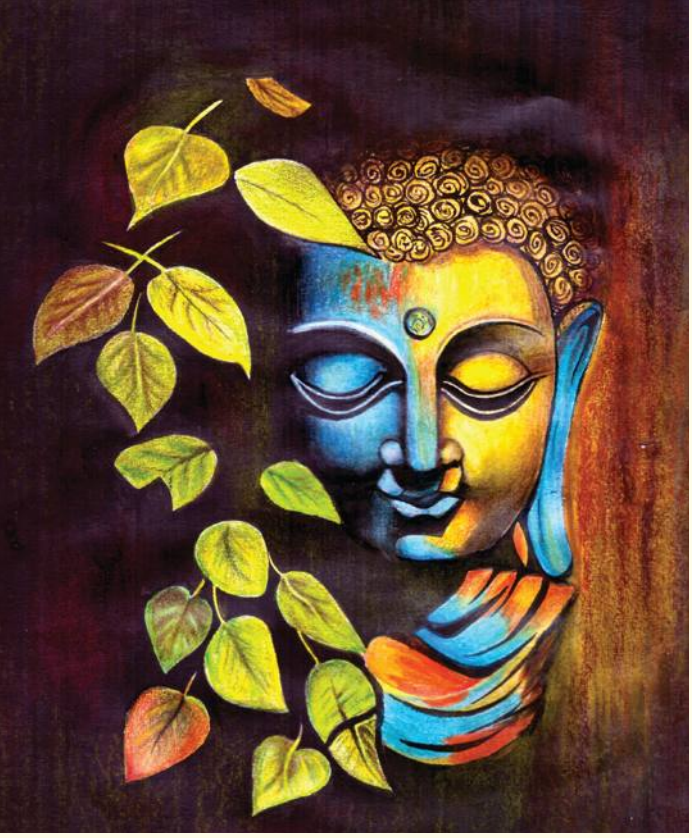
Words of love,
World of warmth,
You're my pride.
I hold your heart,
You're made of gold,
You're my glory.
Of all my endeavours,
I'm so lucky,
To reside with you all along.
I squeeze your kindness,
To grant me some wishes,
I'm so thankful for your birth.
Near and dear,
You're my lifelong treasure,
You're an everlasting special flower.
God left your wisdom as a print of me,
That's so pure,
You're a perfect gift of mine.
I recall every moment we spent together,
Shown me the way to live,
You're a rare gem.
Your memory is safe in my heart.
You're my customized grandma.
Miss you maa!

-Sumathi T, Dept. of Commerce

नारी शक्ति

क्यों त्याग करे हमेशा नारी ही।
क्यों क्यों सब कुछ सहे नारी ही।।
क्यों रोक देते हे हमे हर बार।
क्या हक नहीं है हमे आगे आने का हर बार।।
मन को समझा लो अपने।
नारी भी पूरे कर सकतीं हैं अपने सपने।।
आता है हमे भी रेहना आत्मासम्मान के साथ।
सीख लो कैसे देना है नारी को सम्मान।।
देखो नारी का भयानक रूप।
काली, दूर्गा, चंडी का स्वरूप।।
नारी को मत समझो कमजोर।
क्या कर दिखायेगी आपको हर रोज।।
उस पर न करो तुम कोई अत्याचार।
तो सूखी रहेगा तूम्हारा घर परिवार।।

-Disha Kothari, Grade XII



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SIDDHARTHA'S QUEST
THE AWAKENING WITHIN

Buddha as the Statement: The word 'Buddha' means 'the awakened one' or 'the enlightened one.' It's not about a specific person but a state of realization, enlightenment, or understanding of the ultimate truth. This makes 'Buddha' more of a statement of realization, or the expression of awakening that transcends individual identity. It refers to the universal nature of enlightenment and the teachings that arise from this understanding. So, in a sense, Buddha is a statement that signifies the idea or principle of awakening, rather than a personal, individual self.

Siddhartha as the Soul: Siddhartha, on the other hand, refers to the individual - the person who was once a prince named Siddhartha Gautama and eventually became known as the Buddha. But when you say Siddhartha is the soul, you're likely pointing to the deep, inner essence of the person, the spiritual journey of an individual seeking truth, understanding, and liberation. Siddhartha represents the personal quest and the soul's journey toward enlightenment. Before becoming the Buddha, Siddhartha was a seeker, a soul striving to overcome ignorance and suffering, to reach a state of inner peace and understanding. In this sense, Siddhartha can represent the soul's potential, the deeply human experience of searching for meaning and transcending the ego.

A Deeper Synthesis: When Buddha is interpreted as a statement, it refers to the universal truth, the teachings, and the realization of enlightenment. It's not confined to an individual but is the expression of wisdom and awakening that anyone can access.

On the other hand, Siddhartha is about the individual, the seeker, and the soul's journey towards enlightenment. Siddhartha represents the inner essence of the person who, through introspection, discipline, and experience, seeks to awaken to the truth of existence. In other words, Buddha represents the external realization of truth and enlightenment, while Siddhartha represents the inner journey-the soul's pursuit of that truth. This distinction underscores the difference between the state of being (Buddha) and the being who seeks (Siddhartha), with Siddhartha's journey being how the statement of Buddha can be realized.

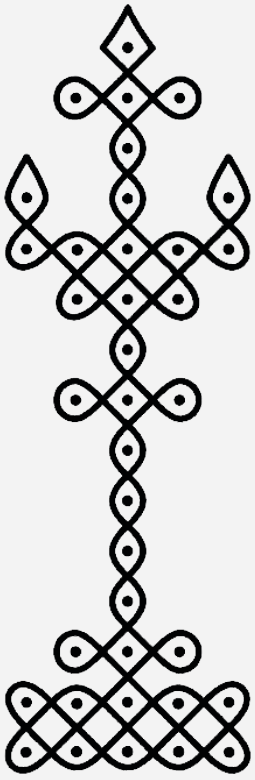
Buddha as a state means awakening, a profound realization of the true nature of reality, where one sees beyond the veil of illusions and grasps the interconnectedness of all things. Buddha is not tied to an individual human form; it is the essence of awakening, a state of consciousness that can be realized by us. The Buddha's teachings, therefore, are not about an individual but about the universal potential for awakening within all beings. This can be seen as a timeless, transcendent state, where the distinction between self and other, male and female, is dissolved. The Buddha is the realization of the ultimate truth of impermanence and non-self.

The Conclusion: So, when one says that Buddha is still alive, the reference is to the state of awakening that transcends the historical figure of Siddhartha Gautama. The Buddha is not bound by time or form, and thus it is an eternal truth that continues to live in the hearts of those who awaken to it.

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கடவு

காணா திசையற்று புரியாதது,
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நயமது நலமதை நல்கிடுமே...



-அப்துல் ராஃபீக் அ ர, ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர்

bindi: tradition meets science

We all consider wearing a bindi and vermilion as one of our traditions which is an important part of our culture and heritage. Our ancestors were truly ingenious in leaving us such brilliant practices. Every monument, sculpture, routine, and lifestyle choice has a subtle meaning, which, though often unbeknownst to us, benefits us in ways we may not even realize.

Applying a bindi may seem like a simple routine act, but it carries scientific benefits. The supratrochlear nerve, a branch of the ophthalmic division of the trigeminal nerve passes through the area, where the bindi is placed. This nerve is connected to the eyes, and wearing a bindi helps stimulate it. Stimulation of this nerve can directly contribute to improving vision and overall eye health.

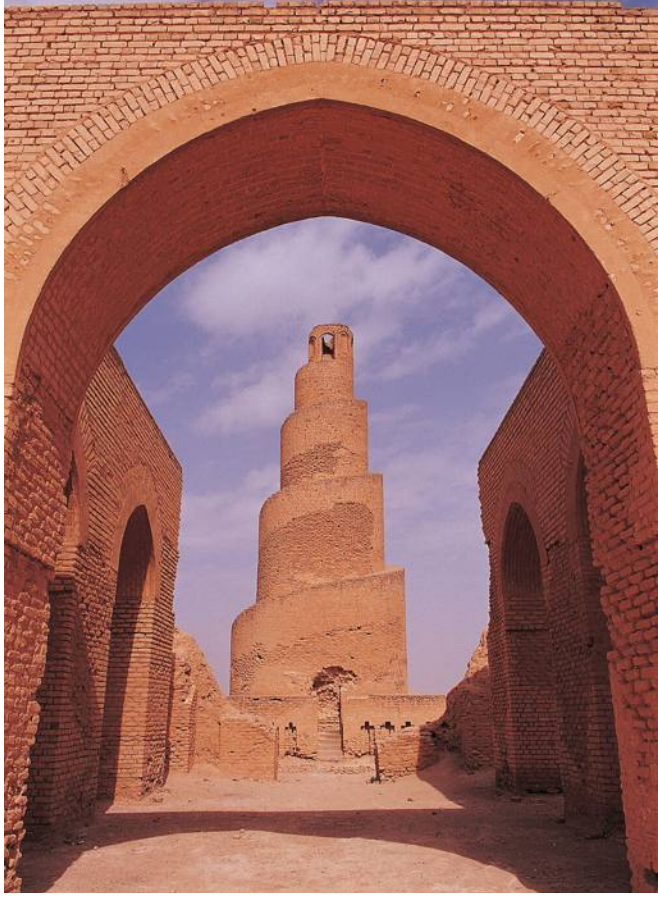
Through this, we can understand that every action and practice of our ancestors was designed to promote a balanced, and healthy lifestyle. They left us these insightful traditions, which are reflected not just in the carvings and inscriptions, but also in the small yet meaningful aspects of our daily lives.

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THE GREAT MOSQUE OF SAMARRA: A MARVELLOUS FUSION OF ARCHITECTURE AND MATHEMATICS



As one gazes upon the Great Mosque of Samarra, it becomes evident that mathematics played a pivotal role in its creation. The architects ingeniously utilized mathematical calculations to ensure the stability and balance of the tower, allowing it to withstand the test of time.

The Great Mosque of Samarra exemplifies the application of mathematical principles in its overall layout and design. The mosque's expansive courtyard, known as the Sahn, is a rectangular space that adheres to precise geometric proportions. The architects precisely calculated the dimensions of the Sahn, ensuring that it maintained a harmonious relationship with the rest of the mosque's architectural elements. From the spiral minaret to the meticulously designed courtyard, every aspect of the mosque portrays the significant influence of mathematical principles. Additionally, the mosque's complex tilework and decorative motifs exhibit symmetrical patterns, reflecting the mathematical concept of symmetry and balance. In conclusion, the Great Mosque of Samarra stands as a remarkable testament to the fusion of architecture and mathematics.

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How huge are the numbers?

What is the largest number you are familiar with? Is that a million, a billion, or a trillion bucks?! Merely, is it possible for us to create gigantic numbers that go beyond what we believe? Have you ever contemplated how numbers are made? Math is essentially a series of sequential stages, and thus, here are a few levels for building big numbers using basic repetition.

Level 0: Succession: It's nothing but adding a number with one (+1)

$a \to a + 1$ **Example: 2 ⟶2 + 1 = 3**

Level 1: Addition: It is as simple as repeated succession (+)

$a + b = a + \{1 + 1 + 1 + \ldots + 1\} b*(+1)$ **Example: 4+5 = 4+{1+1+1+1+1} = 9**

Level 2: Multiplication: It is as simple as repeated addition (*)

a*b = {a+a+a+....+a} b*(+a) Example: 4*5 = {4+4+4+4+4} = 20

Level 3: Exponentiation: It is as simple as repeated multiplication (↑)

ab = {a*a*a*....*a} b*(*a) Example: 4*5 = {4*4*4*4*4} = 1024

Level 4: Tetration: It is as simple as repeated exponentiation ( ) $b_{a=a^{a^{a^a}}}$

Example: $4_3 = 3^{3^{3^3}} \Rightarrow 4_3 = 3^{3^{27}} \Rightarrow 4_{3=3^{7625597484987}}$ $4_3 \approx$ *More than 3 trillion digits*

Level 5: Pentation: It is as simple as repeated Tetration () $b^{a=a^{b_b}}$

Example: $3^{3=3^{3_3}} \Rightarrow 3^{3=3^{3^{7625597484987}}}$ $3 = 3^{\text{More than 3 trillion digits}}_{3}$ $\Rightarrow 3_3 \approx$ *Imagine the pentated value*

Just explore to create endless kolam designs!

Now that we have explored massive values by probing into large numbers, we have rediscovered number formation from basic to complex levels. These results illuminate computations and numerical tendencies that demonstrate the massive applicability of mathematical ideas. Thus, math serves as an inevitable tool for decoding enigmas, deciphering, and resolving challenging issues providing insightful information that fuels and motivates us for further research, investigation, and advancement. Undoubtedly, it stretches our potent limits of mathematical understanding and its practical applications.

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Foodie FRACTIONS!

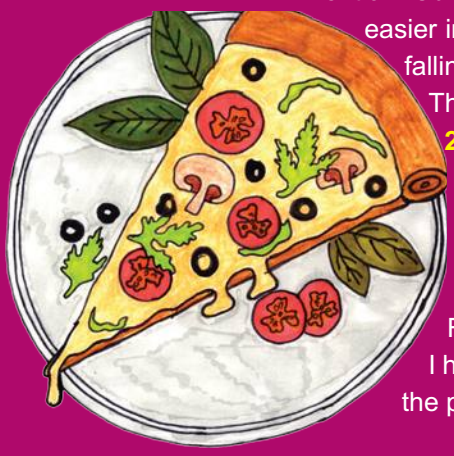
Food. Whoa! What a delicious beginning! But what if I need to start with math? Few might love it, whereas many may think Ewww! Nah! Why is math everywhere? A foodie like me or a person with arithmophobia would have the same reaction. When I didn't have a choice but to deal with math, I tried to relate it with my favourite food. Eventually, I feared that I'd lose my love for food because of the connectivity. Who could forgo the tasty delicacies for the sake of math? Not me!

I gave my mathematical journey a kickstart, realizing that shapes are everywhere, and everything around the world could be given a mathematical name based on its shape. An ice cream has a conical shape, and a grilled burger is similar to a hemisphere. In this way, I could connect everything with math.

When I started including numbers in my cooking, I had to compute the quantity of ingredients required, the cost incurred, or the time taken to bake. Answering all these questions was an enthralling experience! This guided me to explore further and gain more knowledge in math along with satisfying my craving for food.

Recently, I came across a fact that left me astonished. I love to eat dosa! Yes, of course, it's circle in shape. What could be the circumference of a dosa? Well, for that we would have to use a formula, *(Ugh! Formulae, which I hate the most in mathematics).* Well, do not worry because, I won't tell you to calculate the circumference of the dosa, or even a pizza before eating. Just enjoy every bite of it, before doing the computation!

Getting back to my point, the formula to calculate the circumference of a pizza is **2πr**. We are aware of **'2r'** which refers to the diameter of a circle, but what about the value of **π**? It's always been a conundrum for all of us to know the value of **π = 22/7**. Now, let's unravel the mystery by learning the history behind it. Necessity is truly the mother of invention. Our ancestor's necessity made them discover **π**, which made the transportation of goods easier in the early days. When they made a wheel, it was not perfectly circular. It often led to falling, so they had to arrive at a measurement that could ensure that nothing would fall. They concluded that when the diameter of a circle is 7, then the circumference would be **22**. This made the circle a perfect one. There came the value of **π =** Circumference/ Diameter, which is nothing but **π = 22/7**.



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This fact made me love math and I geared up my curiosity to dig deep into it. To my surprise, now I don't let any mathematical problem go unsolved. As there is a lot to analyze and evaluate, let's always be amused by math and its results.

Finally, I conclude with my new formula: **FOOD = MATH**

I hope you enjoy the feel of it and relish every bit(e) of it. Out of arithmophobia, let's crack the problems of math and get into the world of math marvel!

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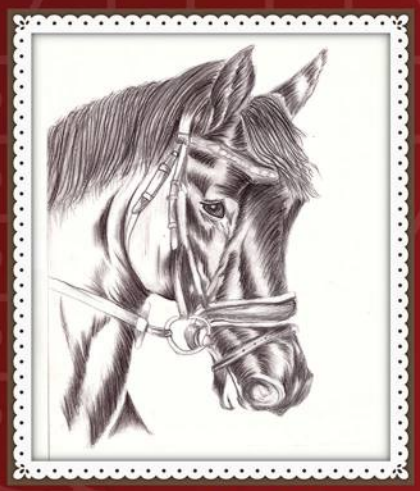
DOTS TO DIFFERENCES

Kolam transcends as an art with its deep cultural roots for adorning our courtyards during ceremonial occasions. The magic of dots and curves just beckons everyone with its allure. The art of kolam emerges as a unique intersection of creativity and mathematical elegance. It also serves as a bridge between the arts and mathematics, illustrating diverse disciplines. Our veterans have crafted symmetry-fused designs that not only untie the beauty of kolam but also review the world of mathematical concepts. Symmetry, a key element in these artistic expressions, becomes a tangible and visually striking lesson in learning mathematics. Depending on the locations and symmetrical properties of the dot set, we get into different rangoli patterns. Initially, the dots and lines reflect a beautiful proportion of symmetry. But when the transformation happens, the kolam reflects a set of values such as **passion, innovation, adaptability, creativity, patience, and emotional intelligence.** Through these patterns, learners discover the harmonious coexistence of shapes and values, making math an engaging and aesthetically pleasing experience. I hope the mathematical components knock on your mind when you happen to see a kolam next time!



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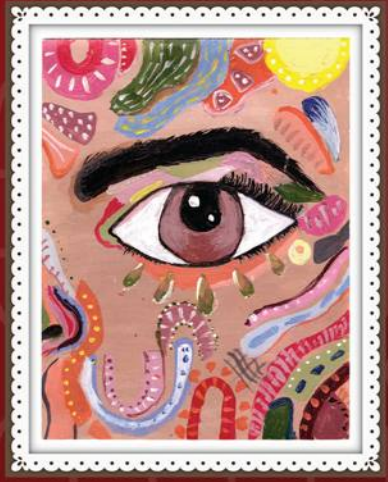




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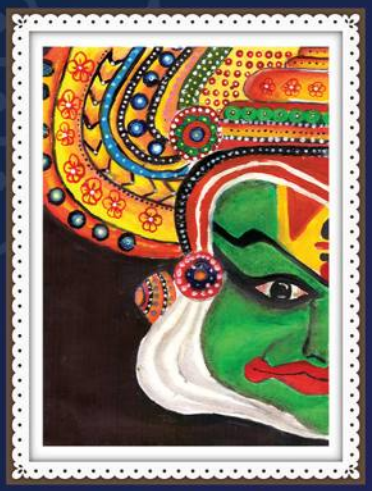


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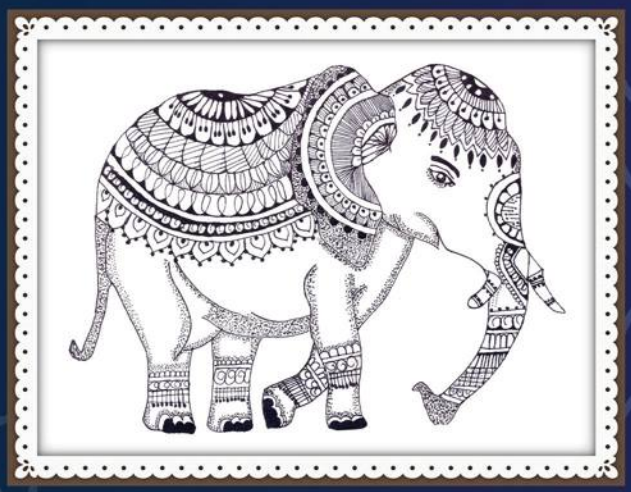
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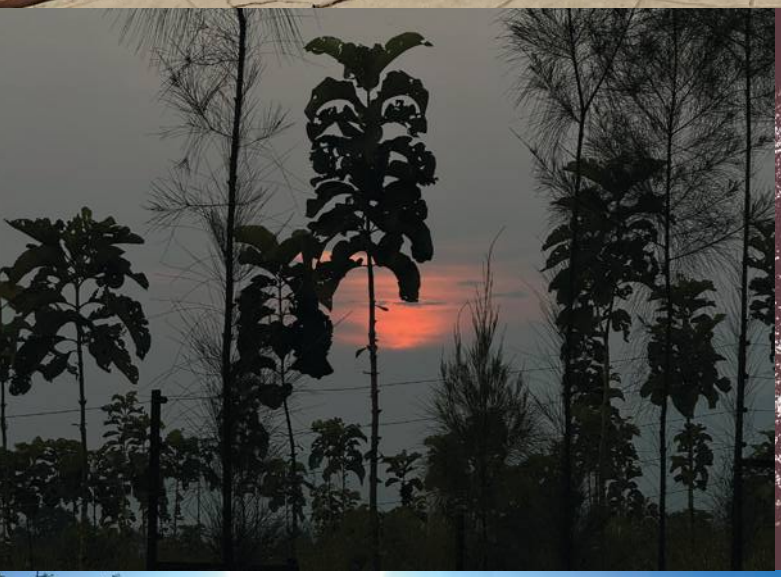


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Where Passion Meets Opportunity: My Artistic Journey at my Pantheon

I've been passionately learning the classical art forms of Bharatnatyam and Carnatic Music, since I was 3 years old. The Annual Days of Geethaanjali hold a special place in my heart, and my affection for it knows no bounds. Over the years of my journey in this esteemed institution, I've had the privilege of exploring diverse artistic platforms like Theru Koothu (Street Play), Skate dance, Rajasthani dance, Bharatanatyam and uncountable orchestra performances as well. I'm so grateful to my school for letting me find my passion by giving an array of opportunities with a true sense of belief.

These experiences have brought me immense joy and fulfilment. The practice sessions, filled with collaborative learning, sharing, and teaching between students and teachers, have given me the knowledge of listening, observing, and teaching. Geethaanjali family has always encouraged me to take initiatives, participate, and share my acquired knowledge with others. This has fostered beautiful friendships and unforgettable experiences in learning, teaching, and guiding.



The loveliest thing is that I've had a great privilege of participated in every Annual Day event of my school life, including my 12th grade year. Our compassionate Principal ma'am, recognizing our passion for dance, granted us a heartfelt farewell performance – a free-style dance on stage, filled with love and fun. This gesture will forever symbolize Geethaanjali's nurturing spirit, etched in my memory as a testament to the institution's dedication in fostering artistic expression and student growth. My unwavering love for Geethaanjali's Annual Day continues to grow, as it will forever remain a cherished part of my journey, symbolizing the foundation of my passion, learning, and creative expression.

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From Sketches to Success: My Art Story

Art is a thoughtfully crafted visual product or experience that demonstrates talent and creativity. It represents something beautiful and meaningful. After schooling, I discovered an unexpected spark for art-a passion quietly waiting to be ignited. During the pandemic, my journey truly blossomed. With the world slowing down, I dove deeply into the intricate world of hyper-realistic portrait sketching, challenging myself to capture every nuance and detail that brought life to the paper.

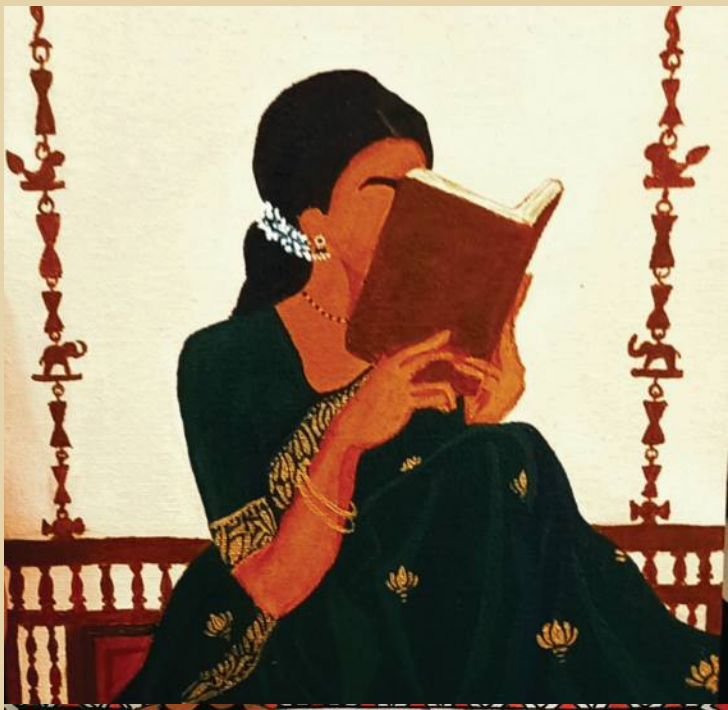
This newfound passion grew to encompass professional handmade gifts, where I found joy in creating custom pieces with a personal touch, each crafted to celebrate a unique story. I'm incredibly grateful for the support I've received from friends and family, who encouraged me to pursue my passion as I began exploring a career in the field of art. As a self-taught artist, each step has been a learning experience that has brought me closer to my mission.

Throughout my journey, I have had the opportunity to showcase and merchandise my artwork, reaching a wider audience and connecting with those who appreciate my style. During my postgraduate studies, I created several live paintings-experiences that were both thrilling and rewarding. Winning prizes for my work further inspired me to keep pushing my artistic boundaries.

When it comes to creativity, nothing excites me more than fresh art supplies-they accelerate my inner joy and stimulate new ideas for creating, sketching, painting, and so on. Recently, I've embarked on a new chapter, exploring the vibrant world of acrylics. Each brushstroke has deepened my love for this medium and allowed my work to expand into even more expressive forms.



This passion eventually led me to start my own online art business, where I've had the pleasure of reaching over 50 happy customers, fulfilling more than 70 orders, and counting. With each work of art, I anxiously await and anticipate the paradise my artistic travel is going take me, as I take another step forward.





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Rhythm of Unity & Expression

Kathak is a classical dance that originally began as a means of storytelling. The intricacies of footwork, the grace of movements, and the expressions, all these bring out the beauty of the art. It was as if the rhythm reverberated in our hearts while we danced, and every beat echoed with the pulse of our united souls. Bright and beautiful, the dancer's movements are enhanced by colourful dresses and traditional decorations, which adorns the stage with joyous splendour.

As seniors, performing Kathak during our annual function was not just a dance-it was an art, one that expressed culture and unity. Having been in the juniors' shoes, we felt pleased to be on the same platform as them-helping, directing, and simply sharing in the joy of seeing that love for the dance in others. The rehearsal process was just as rewarding as the performance itself. We spent a great deal of time perfecting our sequences, encouraging each other, and forging deeper bonds. The energy during rehearsal was enthusiastic, filled with laughter and a shared commitment to excellence. Since we were the seniors, we thought it was important to encourage the juniors as well, ensuring they felt supported during every step of the way.

The performance day brought with it a sense of anticipation. I could feel the ardour in my heart as we readied ourselves for our positions on stage. Everything illuminated as the spotlight focused on us; in that brief moment, we were living stories, expressing them through movement. As the performance concluded, we were surrounded by an appreciative audience, and a deep sense of gratification washed over me-for the work done, and the time spent training.

All things considered, this experience transformed my perspective on Kathak, not only as a dance, but as a means to unite people. It taught us the value of unity and the joy of honouring our culture. As we made our final bows to the crowd, I understood that Kathak is a form of expression that unites both the audience and the performer in a breathtaking triumph of art and culture.



-Himanshi Rathi, Grade XII



Dancers are amazing artists who use their gestures to tell stories, just like magic! They listen to the music and move in ways that make us feel happy, excited, or even a little dreamy. Some dancers dress up in shimmering suits and even twirl and leap on stage. Imagine wearing a beautiful outfit and dancing beneath the lights – doesn't that sound blissful?

When you depict thoughts through moves, you can jump, spin, twist, and whirl. You might even feel like you're flying! Dancing is so much fun because you get to move however you like. Dancers practice every day to get better and best. They love what they do, so they work hard to learn new moves.

Here are a few types of dances that I admire:

Ballet	- Dancers wear pretty tutus and float like feathers!
Hip Hop	- Cool moves, lots of energy, and a ton of fun!
Tap Dance	- With noisy shoes that go tap-tap-tap!

Dancers perform everywhere - in schools, colleges, at functions, during festive seasons, and even on TV! People love to watch them because they bring so much joy and energy. Some dancers become superstars because they share their magic with everyone!

Would you like to be a dancer too? You can! All you have to do is takeup a dance class, practice a little every day, and most importantly 😉 have fun. Dancing shows us how beautiful movements can be. So, put on some music and dance around – you might just feel like a shining star!

-Yuvika, Grade III

Let The Stars Shine...



It's possible that everyone has heard about air, water, and land contamination. Maybe we would've even heard of noise pollution. *Does anything like light pollution exist?* Does it affect the people or our environment in any adverse way? Now let's get started and look at this article for the answers to these queries.

When there is an extreme increase in light intensity at night, light pollution happens. *What is this going to do to us?* - can come up in our minds. We may arrive at the conclusion that - *it's only light, and what bad can it do to us?* The secretion of melatonin hormone, which is in charge of maintaining skin pigmentation, reduces drastically with continuous light pollution. Exposure to light for an extended duration of time results in increased stress, depression, and anxiety in humans. Over 4 million birds die each year due to artificial lights. They usually follow the light of the moon and stars. However, because of artificial lights, they migrate in the wrong direction and ultimately perish. Astronomers attempting to observe the deep sky are also impacted by light pollution.

An earthquake shook California in 1994, and as an aftermath, there was a huge power outage where all lights got completely turned off. It was pitch black and the Californians were so petrified about what they saw in the night sky. They had made numerous calls to the local cops and NASA seeking help. They didn't realize that it was our own Milky Way band up in the sky, which they believed to be an explosion. This type of incident occurs quite regularly in a number of cities. Events such as this characterize people's lack of awareness of the black sky and impact of light pollution.

It is possible to reduce and even eradicate light pollution by encouraging individuals to become more aware and to put off any source of artificial light when not in use. By incorporating motion-sensing sensors into lightbulbs, light pollution and electricity usage can be tremendously decreased. Streetlights should emit less light in a smaller area. Warm white lights can be used instead of bright white ones. Turning off the unnecessary lights is a simpler answer than worrying too much about how we can protect Mother Nature from experiencing elevated levels of light pollution.

Stars can't shine without darkness, let the right illumination give us an exceptional view of the galaxies above us!

-Pranav Surya Prakash, Grade XII

Dancing Lights in the Northern Skies

The northern lights, nature's light show, are a stunning natural glow that adorns the Earth's sky, particularly in northern latitudes. This striking image of a curtain is also known as the Aurora Borealis. These lights are named after the famous Italian astronomer Galileo Galilei in 1619. Their hypnotic show is caused by charged solar wind particles from the sun colliding with air molecules in our atmosphere, resulting in a luminous spectacle. The more the solar activity, the larger the possibility of occurrence of the phenomenon.

Surprisingly, these lights have enchanted onlookers and inspired skygazers. The auroras are formed by the hot plasma released during solar storms, which bombard with the Earth's magnetic field while entering the atmosphere. Auroras are visible almost every night. Planets such as Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune with an atmosphere and a magnetic field are likely to have auroras.

The highest quality northern lights can be seen between the latitudes of 60 and 75 degrees north. The probability of hunting the northern lights lies within an area of a 2,500-kilometre radius in the North Pole. Destinations within this zone, such as Iceland, northern parts of Sweden, Norway, Greenland, and Canada are the best places to see the northern lights.

Every occurrence of the northern lights is unique. They are predominantly viewed in pole green and pink. But an array of colours such as red, yellow, pink, blue, and violet shades have also been reported. The best month to see the northern lights is when the sky is clear and cloudless, mostly evey year from late August to mid-April.

In conclusion, the northern lights are a sight to behold and have mesmerized people in countless ways. Although they are only visible at night, they appear to us during the daytime too. We had mistook these lights for being the Omnipotent or a supernatural element, which stayed a mystery until about a century ago. Emitting light on even the darkest of evenings, they have been an honour and a blessing. This wonderful epic is a vivid flaunt of nature's magic!

-Tanvi U Gaglani, Grade X

Stealth Chronicles

In a dominion of perplexity, having mammoth innovations,
I'm hubris of Newton, uttered
For every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction
It teaches all commodious laws in its own way.

The blue planet and its mass are bound by science,
Galileo Galilei, the father of modern science
Removed mythological superstitions
Elevated us to a giant leap across the chain of reasons.

Spears and needles, the first scientific apparatus of primitive humans,
Intruded into the atom's structure to solve the strife of the universe
Tiny cells make a wondrous state for living beings
The interplay of the food chain and food web around the globe.

GPS points to the peaks and whispers where our feet summon,
A digital compass guides every day,
With lenses and telescopes, we eyeshot the globe
Nature being divine through the observable universe.

-Harshitha Pranavi V P, Grade IX

A KID'S WAR WITH GADGETS



I have heard my grandparent's fab stories about their childhood and how they got tanned playing in the outskirts. I wonder whether even I get a chance to look at the smiling sun? Nah! When I rush out to play, the inner me says, "It's so hot, let me come back in the evening." That's when I hear many voices calling me. Can you guess who's that? I turn back to see my mobile, laptop, television and brand-new PlayStation.

Hi, gadgets! I thought I would not spend time with you today at all. Ting! Ting! Again, the inner me says, "That must be a notification about my friend in my social media account." I ran quickly to peep at my mobile. Yes, it's my friend, who has just posted a picture along with her new laptop. I questioned myself: Am I angry, Am I envious or Am I happy? Within fraction of a second, before even I could think, I click a selfie with my new PlayStation and instantly post it. Yes! Now I am feeling extremely happy. Then, my fingers started moving along my mobile to see what's trending. A new song has been released, never mind which language it is in. Do I understand it? Why should I? I've read that music can relax one's mind. But the trending song makes my mind bounce up and down. Still, I feel like humming it. Did it calm and relax me? I don't think so!

Finally, when I decided to do my homework, I just remembered that my teacher had assigned us a project. Oh! I ran down to pick up my laptop, but the network was slow. My temper rose so much that I fought with my mom, asking her to fix it immediately. I spent my whole evening fidgeting with the device. This is my routine most of the days.

Now, let me post a question to myself. Am I living with humans or gadgets? It's a bitter truth that I'm more familiar with the language of gadgets than that of the humans. Do we kids live the life of a human or that of a gadget? Heads up, friends! There is much more worthy around us. So, let's look beyond gadgets!

-Dhiya S M, Grade VIII

அறத்தின் முதல்வன்

அறத்தின் முதல்வன் அருள் கண்டு
ஆதுரத்தாலே மனம் தனை நிரப்பி
அகிலமே மெச்சி வாழ்ந்திடும் வண்ணம்
வாழ்வில் வளமை கண்டிட விளைவோம்.
இருடி சூழும் வாழ்வினை அகற்றி
உகத்தில் வாழும் உயிர்கள் இணைந்திட
ஊளியின் இடரோ நெருங்காது இருக்கும்
நிலைதனை அடைந்து களிப்பினை எய்தும்.
எல்வளி புகுந்து சுழன்றே அடிக்கும்
ஏமாப்பு ஏகம் பெற்றிட விளையும்
மார்க்கம் காணும் மனம் தனைக் கொண்டு
ஆதுரம் கொண்டு வாழ்ந்திட முனைவோம்.
ஐதுநொய்தாய் மனம் தனைக் கொண்டு
கருணை ஒய்யல் கடமை ஆக்கிட
ஓர்ந்து என்றும் பாரா அறனும்
ஏமாப்பு கொண்டு காத்திட விளைவான்.

-முனைவர். மோகனாம்பாள் தெ, தமிழ்த்துறை

பல்பரிமாண கீதாஞ்சலி...!

கீதம் கேட்டு ஓடி வந்தேன்
பாட்டில் சிறந்த கீதாஞ்சலிக்கு,
தாகம் தீர்க்கும் அறிவு நீரூற்றானவள்!
அஞ்சும் குழந்தையை அரவணைக்கும் தாயானவள்!
சகிப்புத் தன்மையை உரமாக்கி,
சாதனைப் பயிர் வளர்க்கின்றாள்!
பொலிவு கொண்ட ஞானமுகம்
ஞாலத்தை வசப்படுத்தும் மாணவ சக்தியானவள்!
அன்பு பனியாய்,
அறம் உரைக்கும் நெருப்பாய்,
ஆயக்கலை கொண்டு ஆற்றலை வளர்ப்பவள்!
திறமைகளின் இனம் கண்டு,
திக்கெட்டும் சேர்ப்பவள்!
சமூக அக்கறையுள்ள சமுதாயத் தோழியவள்!
சுவாசம் தந்த இறைவனுக்கு
நல்மனிதனைக் கொண்டு சேர்ப்பவள்!
உயிராய், உறைவிடமாய் இருப்பவள்
எங்கள் கீதாஞ்சலி!!

-கேத்தரீனா சு மெர்லின், அறிவியல் துறை

பெற்றோர்கள்!

தன் கனவுகளை காற்றில்
கரைத்து விட்டு
என் கனவுகளை நனவாக்க
தன்னையே கரைத்துக் கொண்டிருக்கும்
ஜீவன்களே பெற்றோர்கள்!

-யுஸ்ரா மரியம் ச யா, ஏழாம் வகுப்பு

எங்கள் பள்ளி..!!

பள்ளிக்கூடம்
நாங்கள் துள்ளித் திரிந்த வீடு
பல பக்கங்கள் எழுதிய ஏடு!
சாதிகள் மறந்த இடம்
சரித்திரம் படைக்கும் தடம்!
நாங்கள் விளையாடும் தோட்டம்
பல விஞ்ஞானிகளின் கூட்டம்!
அறிவின் தேடல்
அன்பின் கூடல்!
ஒருவரிக் கவிதை
ஒவ்வொரு வரியும் புதுமை!
இன்றைய நிகழ்காலம்
நாளைய எதிர்காலம்!
அறிவின் புரட்சி
பாரதத்தின் வளர்ச்சி!
இன்று எங்கள் வீடு
நாளை எங்கள் நாடு!!

-பவிஷ்யா ம கீ, ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்பு

அன்புள்ள அம்மாவிற்கு...!

என்னை கவிதை எழுதச் சொன்னார்கள்..
அப்போது தோன்றியது..,
அந்தக் கவிதையே நீதான் என்று..!
அம்மா என்ற உறவைச் சொன்னதும்
உலகமே மண்டியிடும்..!
கடவுள் இவ்வுலகத்திற்குத் தந்த வரமும் அவளே..!
என்னை உருவாக்கிய மலரும் அவளே..!
ஆயிரம் உறவு இருந்தாலும் உன் போல் ஆகுமா?
உலகிற்கு என்னை அறிமுகம் செய்து வைத்தாய்..!
சிணுங்கியபோது சிரிக்க வைத்தாய்..!
கவலை வந்தால் மடியில் சாய்த்துக்கொள்வாய்..!
விண்ணின் சூரியனாய், வாழ்வின் இருள் நீக்கி
ஒளிச்சிறகை தந்து வளர்த்தாய்..!
அன்பு, புன்னகை, பண்பு, தியாகம் இவை
அனைத்தும் இணைந்த வார்த்தை 'அம்மா'
அம்மா என்ற வார்த்தையே ஒரு கவிதை தான்..!

-ஸ்ரீ விஷாந்த் ரெ, பத்தாம் வகுப்பு

அழகு

புல்வெளியில் படர்ந்திருக்கும்
பனித்துளிகள் அழகு!
சில்லென்று தூறும்
மலைச்சாரல் அழகு!
மரங்கள் ஒன்றோடு ஒன்று
இணைந்து பாடும் இன்னிசை அழகு!
மழைக்கால வானவில் அழகு!
வண்ண வண்ணப் பூக்கள் அழகு!
இயற்கையே, உன்னில்தான்
எத்தனை எத்தனை அழகு!!

-ஸ்ரீவர்ஷினி செ பூ, ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்பு

நேர்காணல்

(கதை பழசு கருத்து புதுசு)



‘சிந்திப்பதும் சிந்திக்க வைப்பதும் எனது கடமை’ என உங்களை சந்திக்க மீண்டும் வந்திருக்கிறேன் இந்த நேர்காணல் மூலமாக.

வணக்கம் மக்களே! நான் உங்கள் ஹேமவர்சினி. நாம் இந்த மகிழ்ச்சியான தருணத்தில் மிக முக்கியமான ஒரு நபரை நேர்காணல் செய்யவிருக்கிறோம். அது யார் என்று உங்களுக்கு தெரியுமா?

நாம் சிறுவயதில் இருந்தே கேட்ட கதைதான்.

குழந்தைகளுக்கு மிகவும் பிடித்த கதைதான்.

பந்தயம் என்றால் நமக்கு முதலில் நினைவுக்கு வரும் ஒரே கதை.

கண்டுபிடித்தீர்களா?

ஆம். சரியாக கணித்தீர்கள். முயல் ஆமை கதைதான். அதில் வரும் கதாப்பாத்திரமான ஆமை தான் இன்று நேர்காணலில் நம்முடன் இணைந்திருப்பது. நம் மனதினுள் எழும் வினாக்களுக்கான விடைகளைக் கண்டறிவோம் வாருங்கள்.

“முயலும் வெல்லும் ஆமையும் வெல்லும் -
ஆனால் முயலாமை என்றும் வென்றதில்லை”

உங்களின் பலத்த கரகோஷத்துடன் ஆமை அவர்களை வரவேற்கிறேன்.

ஹேமவர்சினி : வணக்கம் ஆமையாரே. நலமாக இருக்கிறீர்களா?

ஆமையார் : வணக்கம் தோழர்களே. மிக்க மகிழ்ச்சி. நான் நலம். உலக மக்கள் அனைவரும் நலமுடன் வாழ்ந்திட எல்லாம் வல்ல இறைவன் அருள் புரியட்டும்.

ஹேமவர்சினி : பந்தயத்தில் உமது அனுபவத்தைப் பற்றி கூறுங்கள்.

ஆமையார் : நான் வெற்றி பெறுவேன் என்று நினைத்து கூட பார்க்கவில்லை. வாய்ப்பைச் சரியாக பயன்படுத்துபவர் யாராக இருந்தாலும் அவர்களுக்கான வெற்றி இது.

ஹேமவர்சினி : அருமையாகச் சொன்னீர்கள். அடுத்த வினா. போட்டியின் பொழுது முயலிடம் தோற்றுப் போவீர்கள் என்று நினைத்தீர்களா?

ஆமையார் : நான் எள்ளளவும் நினைக்கவில்லை. ஏன் என்றால் என் மீதும் என் ஆற்றலின் மீதும் எனக்கு நம்பிக்கை உள்ளது. அதனால் தான் என்னால் வெற்றி பெற முடிந்தது. தோற்று விடுவேன் என்று நினைத்திருந்தால் நிச்சயமாக வென்றிருக்க முடியாது.

ஹேமவர்சினி : உங்கள் தன்னம்பிக்கை என்னை வியக்க வைக்கிறது. ஆனால், எல்லோரும் நீங்கள் வெற்றி பெற முடியாது என்று நகையாடினர். அப்பொழுது உங்கள் மனநிலை எப்படி இருந்தது.

ஆமையார் : மக்கள் அனைவரும் என் வெளிப்புறத்தைப் பார்த்து மதிப்பிட்டார்கள். அவர்களின் நகையாடல்கள் என் செவிகளுக்குள் ஏற்றவில்லை, மனதிற்குள் நிறுத்தவில்லை. நேர்மறையான எண்ணங்களுடன், விருப்பத்துடன் பந்தயத்தில் கலந்து கொண்டேன். அவ்வளவுதான்.

ஹேமவர்சினி : சரியாகச் சொன்னீர்கள் ஆமையாரே. ஆமாம், உங்கள் வெற்றியை நீங்கள் ஏற்றுக்கொள்கிறீர்களா?

ஆமையார் : ஆம். நிச்சயமாக நான் ஏற்றுக்கொள்கிறேன். ஏனென்றால் என் வியர்வை நிலத்தில் விழும்போது, என்னிடம் கூறியது “என்னை வீணாக்காதே. காதுகளையும் திறக்காதே. கண்களை மட்டும் திறந்து பார், தொட்டுவிடும் தூரத்தில் தான் வெற்றி”. இதனை மனதின் ஆழத்தில் பதித்துக்கொண்டேன். அனைவரையும் ஆச்சரியத்தில் ஆழ்த்தினேன்.

ஹேமவர்சினி : மிகப் பொருத்தமாகக் கூறினீர்கள். முடியாது என்று எதையும் விட்டுவிடக்கூடாது. முயன்று பார்ப்போம். முயற்சி அதற்குரிய நல்ல பலனைத்தரும். என்பதை நாங்கள் உங்கள் மூலம் உணர்ந்து கொண்டோம். நன்றி

ஆமையார் : ஆமையாரே.
‘ஒருமுறை முயன்று பாருங்கள் இழந்த அனைத்தையும் மீட்டு விடலாம்‘. என்கிற சிந்தனையுடன் விடை

ஹேமவர்சினி : பெறுகிறேன். அனைவருக்கும் எனது நன்றி. வணக்கம்.
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-ஹேமவர்சினி சு, முன்னாள் மாணவி 2023

Dark Oxygen: Nature's Hidden Breath

Do you know that sunshine is not necessary to make oxygen? Without sunshine, it could seem impossible to understand how oxygen is produced. The method that produces oxygen on Earth is photosynthesis, which is all we have known up to this point. But according to a recent scientific discovery, deep under the water, oxygen is also created in a completely dark environment. Under the direction of Professor Andrew Sweetman, researchers from the Scottish Association for Marine Science reported in July 2024 that they had found **Dark Oxygen** in the Clarion-Clipperton Zone (CCZ) in the Pacific Ocean at an incredible depth of 4,000 meters (~13,000 feet) nearly half the height of Mount Everest! The study, which was published in Nature Geoscience, shows that metallic nodules on the seafloor emit oxygen, which contradicts our notion that photosynthesis is dependent on sunlight.

How does dark oxygen form? This phenomenon occurs when metallic nodules, enriched with minerals accumulated over millions of years, split seawater into hydrogen and oxygen. Scientists theorize that these nodules, possibly charged by the natural electrochemical properties minerals, enable a process similar to seawater electrolysis, allowing oxygen to be produced in an area where sunlight can't penetrate.

Why does this matter? This discovery opens new opportunities in marine science. It implies that previously undiscovered seafloor locations may create oxygen in darkness, thus supporting aerobic sea life in the deep ocean. However, it also presents environmental challenges. Mining corporations are very interested in the metallic nodules that cause dark oxygen because of their mineral concentration. Environmentalists fear that mining these locations could disrupt fragile ecosystems and threaten species that have adapted to these specific conditions. This groundbreaking discovery not only enhances our understanding of oceanic ecosystems but also invites a serious discussion on sustainable deep-sea mining practices. **Dark Oxygen** reminds us of nature's incredible mysteries, still hidden in the depths of the ocean. As science uncovers these secrets, it's vital to balance exploration with conservation, ensuring that we protect the very environment we strive to understand.

-Dhanishta Rathi, Grade XI

Ecovists: Nature Nest

The Eco Club at our school, fondly known as Nature Nest, is a vibrant, children-led initiative promoting environmental awareness and sustainable practices. As the name suggests, Nature Nest is more than just a club. It's a nurturing space where young minds blossom, learning to cherish and protect the natural world around them. In this club, children don't merely read about ecological issues like climate change, pollution, and conservation-they actively engage in impactful projects, developing a hands-on understanding of the environment's delicate balance.

The activities here are as diverse as nature itself. Children roll up their sleeves for tree-planting events, waste recycling drives, and organic gardening projects, supporting a world of green actions with open hearts. They experience the joy of making a concrete difference through clean-up campaigns and water conservation efforts. Each child grows to be an eco-advocate, understanding the responsibility they hold toward the Earth. The ultimate mission of Nature Nest is simple yet powerful: to educate, inspire, and empower our young members to become proactive changemakers.

The club is also a hub of creativity and leadership. From lively poster making competitions to inventive energy conservation projects and spirited community awareness campaigns, every activity is designed to cultivate critical skills. Children naturally develop leadership abilities, a sense of accountability, sharpened problem-solving skills, and all the essential qualities. Teamwork flourishes here, as every initiative calls for collaboration, patience, and thoughtful reflection.

The role of teachers in Nature Nest is akin to nurturing gardeners; as they guide, encourage, and inspire, gently leading children toward eco-friendly paths. Parents, too, are cherished supporters, instilling sustainable habits at home that align with the club's values, thus creating a seamless eco-conscious lifestyle for their children.

Beyond the school arena, the club's ripple effect can be felt throughout the community. It's astonishing how one small club can spark such a wide-reaching transformation. Nurturing eco-warriors of tomorrow is not just about planting seeds in the soil. When we nurture these young seeds of change today, we are paving the way for a lush and sustainable tomorrow. Let's create a Nature Nest in every heart, fostering a love for our Earth.

-Sathya B, Dept. of Science

The Aquatic Odyssey - A Tale of Water Cleaning Robots Unleashing Hope

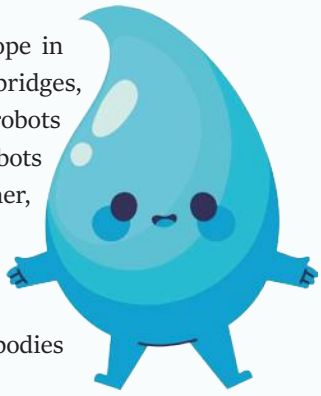
Once upon a time, in a world where rivers whispered tales of pollution and lakes mourned the loss of their pristine beauty, a group of extraordinary machines emerged – the Water Cleaning Robots. This is not just a story; it's an aquatic odyssey, where technology became the hero, and the waters found their guardians.

In a quaint town nestled beside a polluted river, the community longed for a revival of the once vibrant waterway. Here came AquaBot, a water-cleaning robot with additional features beyond its motors and electronics. AquaBot had a mission: to bring life back to the river. With a gentle hum, AquaBot set sail, navigating the currents with a grace that mirrored a seasoned mariner. Its sensors, sharper than the keenest eyes, scanned the water's surface, detecting pollutants and mapping out a strategy for the cleanup ahead.

But AquaBot wasn't just a collector; it was a maestro of separation. Its sorting magic, a ballet of conveyor belts and sorting arms, elegantly distinguished between the biodegradable dreamers and the non-biodegradable troublemakers. Biodegradables were whisked away to a composting haven, while the non-biodegradables took a detour to the recycling rendezvous. As AquaBot glided through the river, it detected and collected the debris and pollutants from the water, with precision akin to an artist wielding a brush, leaving behind a trail of cleanliness.

The townsfolk watched in awe as AquaBot worked its magic, transforming the polluted river into a shimmering expanse. The once lifeless water now teemed with vitality, fish darting playfully. News of AquaBot's success spread like wildfire. From polluted lakes to industrialized coastlines, these water-cleaning robots became the heroes every water body craved. Yet, like any epic tale, challenges loomed on the horizon. AquaBot faced its nemesis in the form of technological limitations, navigating murky waters both literally and figuratively. But every setback was met with innovation, a testament to the indomitable spirit of these aquatic champions.

The aquatic odyssey continued, with each water-cleaning robot becoming a beacon of hope in a world thirsty for change. Their stories echoed through valleys, across oceans, and beneath city bridges, inspiring a legion of eco-warriors to join the aquatic revolution. And so, the tale of water-cleaning robots unfolded as a saga of transformation, where technology and nature danced in harmony. As the robots evolved, so did the waters they touched, creating a legacy of resurgence, hope, and a promise for cleaner, healthier aquatic realms.



In the end, it wasn't just a story of machines; it was a narrative of redemption, where the once-polluted waters whispered their gratitude to the silent heroes – the Water Cleaning Robots. And thus, the aquatic odyssey continued, with each chapter heralding a brighter, cleaner future for water bodies around the world.

-Thevyakareeni S, Grade XII

Rain

Softly, the rain descends,
Easing wounds that time won't mend,
Whispers of peace to the Earth below,
Serenity's soft, rhythmic flow.
In gentle cadence, raindrops sing,
Cleansing fears that worry brings,
Cooling the night's restless shade,
Ushering dawn's warm cascade.
Each drop graces the earth's embrace,
Nature's lullaby in tender pace,
Steadying hearts with calming beats,
As tranquil moments softly meet.
Rain fades; the Sun ascends anew,
Clear skies stretch in endless blue,
And in this light, joy finds release,
As a new day dawns in perfect peace.

-Kashish Pandey, Grade VIII



Ethnic Day

Celebrating Cultures

This year, our pantheon was filled with vibrant colours, rich traditions, and the delightful aromas of different cultures during Ethnic Day. Children from various ethnic backgrounds prepared presentations that showcased their unique treasured heritage. From traditional dances and music to stories and customs, each presentation offered a fascinating glimpse into the traditions and practices of different cultures. The campus buzzed with excitement as performers took the stage, proudly sharing their traditions with their classmates.

One of the highlights of Ethnic Day was the food fair. Children with different milieus set up stalls with authentic dishes of India. From the rich, aromatic spices of South Indian cuisines to the diverse flavours of North Indian food, it was a culinary journey that delighted everyone.

The entire atmosphere was joyful, and it opened my eyes to the beauty of diversity. Ethnic Day was not just a celebration-it was a day of connection and understanding that I will always cherish. The best part was interacting with people from different backgrounds, sharing stories, and learning about their traditions. It reminded me of how rich and beautiful our cultures are. For me, one of the most memorable parts of the day was representing my own Gujarati culture. I wore a traditional outfit that my mom had gifted me, and it felt special to connect with my ancestral roots in such a meaningful way.

As the day came to a close, the smiles on everyone's faces spoke volumes about the event's success. Ethnic Day not only celebrated our diverse backgrounds, but also strengthened the bonds within our community. It served as a powerful reminder of the importance of cultural exchange and embracing our differences. I'm already looking forward to next year's celebration, eager to learn and share even more about our cultural diversity.

-Karina Suthar G, Grade XI







VIBRANZE' 2024

The Pulse of Passion and Potential

VIBRANZE' 2024 brought together the essence of energy, talent, and boundless inspiration, making it an unforgettable experience for everyone involved. This year's event was a spectacular display of our peer's unique abilities from diverse backgrounds, all competing for glory in categories like ***Best Out of Waste, Dance, Song, and Filmmaking***. Each segment was brimming with originality, and the atmosphere was exciting as students poured their hearts into every performance.

The air was filled with riveting melodies in the music category as singers delighted the audience, leaving them spellbound with each soulful note. Meanwhile, dancers dazzled with every beat, lighting up the stage with their energy and rhythm. The participants' enthusiasm was infectious, as they channelled nerves into performances that celebrated their passion.

As the competition reached its grand finale, the crowd waited eagerly to hear the winners. The applause was thunderous, and the joy was tangible as each participant basked in their hard-earned achievement. Pride swelled within me as I heard the final announcement: ***We, the Geethaanjalians, had triumphed as Overall Champions!*** Holding that victorious trophy was a challenge, but it was a weight of success and pride we were thrilled to bear.

It was not just a common event; but a celebration of youth, inspiration, and friendship. Also, it offers a rare chance for us to learn, grow, and connect with peers across different schools. The memories we created and the friendships we forged will last for our lifetime.

-Ramkumar Mohanjayamurugan, Grade XII



From Curiosity to Conservation: My Reptile Adventure



*My adventure into the world of reptiles through the **Wild Wisdom Global Challenge 2024**, the biggest wildlife contest in the world developed by **WWF India**, was an experience that deepened my understanding of nature and wildlife conservation. The preparatory study sessions for the quiz went beyond memorizing facts. It involved hands-on research, engaging in practice sessions, and collaborating with friends to create our mini-reptile quizzes. I discovered new wonders, like the colour-changing chameleons that blend seamlessly into their surroundings, the incredible jaw strength of crocodiles, and the critical role snakes play in maintaining ecological balance by controlling rodent populations. When the day of the event arrived, I felt a whirlwind of emotions-anticipation, excitement, and a touch of nervousness. I had successfully unlocked the secret of traveling a long way without worrying about the goal and reaching the final level was a proud moment for me. End of the day, competing in the challenge left me with a deep feeling of accomplishment and inspiration to continue advocating for wildlife conservation - a rich experience that was both educational and transformative.*

-Adharva S, Grade VII

राष्ट्र की नींव

शिक्षा है अमूल्य धरोहर,
हर देश का जोड़े है बंधन।
धन से प्रगति माप न पाओ,
ज्ञान, बुद्धि से देश हो महान।

समाज की रफ्तार है शिक्षा,
राष्ट्र के जीवन का आधार।
शिक्षा बिना असंभव है,
देश का अस्तित्व, उसका विस्तार।

शिक्षा का अनुपम दान,
जब तक जड़ों का हो सम्मान।
तब तक विरासत का हो बढ़ान,
सच्चा उन्नति को अपनाए हम।

शिक्षित मन है राष्ट्र का गर्व,
शक्ति का वो अमिट प्रमाण।
शिक्षा से जग हो आलोकित,
प्र.ति संग हो आत्मा का गान।

शिक्षा देती आत्म–अनुशासन,
व्यक्ति बने विवेक का प्रतीक।
सिखाती जीवन जीने की राह,
सार्थकता का देती ये संगीत।

अनुशासन जब हो जीवन का अंग,
देश बढ़े विकास की ओर।
शिक्षा से ही बनता है पथ,
जिससे खुलते हैं प्रगति के द्वार।

ज्ञान से अंकुरित हो ये गुण,
अनुशासन का हो विकास।
शिक्षा का हो जो संगम,
वहीं रचे सृजन का इतिहास।

-Hazeera A, Dept. of Hindi

खुशियों का महल

सुबह–सुबह उठती हूँ,
माँ की मीठी डाँट के साथ।
हर दिन बढ़ती हूँ आगे,
एक नए घर की राह पकड़ के हाथ।

मेरा स्कूल तिंडल की गलियों में बसा,
जहाँ इमारतें हैं एक रंग में सजी।
खेलने को मैदान है विशाल,
एम्फीथिएटर में सजते हैं हर छोटे कार्यक्रम।

सुबह की प्रार्थना में करते हैं हम नमस्कार,
फिर कक्षा के लिए हो जाते हैं तैयार।
चार दीवारों से नहीं बंधा ये संसार,
यहाँ हर कोई है एक परिवार।

शिक्षक हमारे सच्चे साथी,
जो हर पल देते हैं हमें सच्ची शिक्षा की थाती।
जब आता है दिन का दूसरा पहर,
स्नैक्स रूम की ओर बढ़ता है सफर।

आंटी के पकौड़ों का वो स्वाद,
जो हर बार देता है हमें खास याद।
केवल पढ़ाई ही नहीं, त्योहार भी हैं यहाँ,
त्योहारों से मिलती है शिक्षा की अनोखी दास्तान।

दिवाली की मिठाइयों में लगता है मिठास,
पोंगल के रंगीन कपड़ों में दिखता है खास।
घंटी बजते ही भागते हैं हम,
अपनी खुशियों को टिफिन में बाँधकर चल पड़ते हैं सब।

खाना, खेल और मस्ती में बीतता हर दिन,
जिंदगी में बनाता है एक खास छवि।

-Riya Varma R, Grade VIII

கனவு அல்ல நட்பு.!

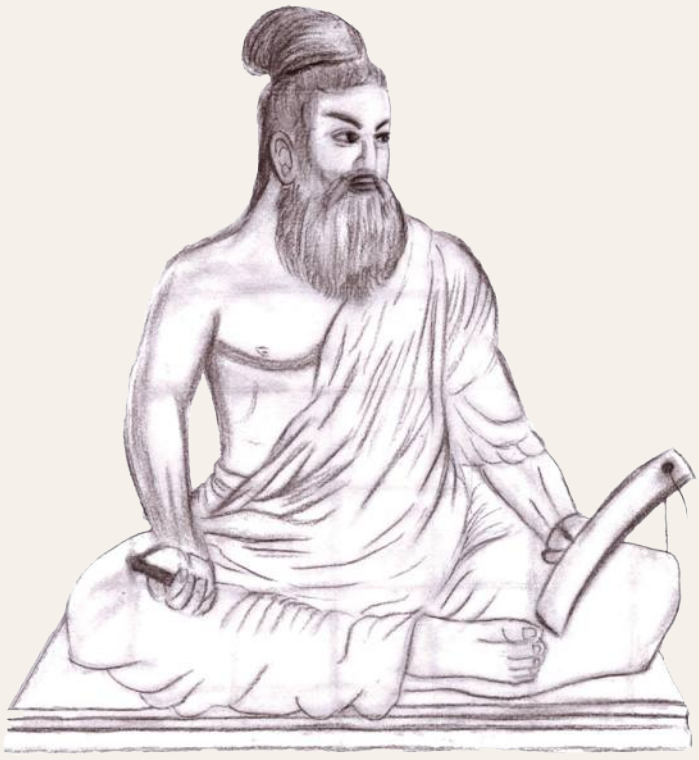
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என் ஆசைகள் மட்டுமே
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தொடரும் நம் நட்பு.!!

-காஞ்சனா தி, தமிழ்த்துறை

குறள் கவிதை

நிலையில்லா உலகில் நிலையானது நிலையாமை | அதிகாரம் 34

நிலையில்லாததை நிலையாய் எண்ணும் எண்ணமும்
சிலையானது அல்லவே!
கூடிவந்து கலையும் கூட்டம் போல
தேடி வந்த செல்வமும் கறைந்துதான் போகுமே!
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பிறப்பு என்பது விழிப்பாகுமே!
எல்லாம் நிறைந்திருக்கும் உடலில்
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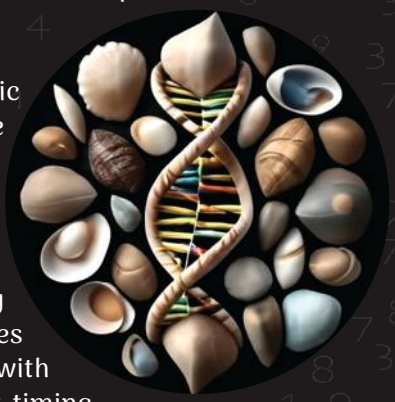
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The Science Behind Our Numbers

Math in the Human Body

Mathematics is the language of patterns and structures that shape everything around us, including our own bodies. From cells to systems, mathematical principles are integral to our biology. Let's explore how math underpins human development, growth, and function.



DNA-The Mathematical Foundation of Life: DNA, the molecule that carries genetic information, is another example of math in biology. Its double-helix structure follows geometric principles that allow it to store vast amounts of data efficiently. The replication process of DNA adheres to strict mathematical guidelines, ensuring accurate copying with minimal errors.

Pulsating Heartbeats-The Mathematical Rhythm: The human heartbeat is governed by mathematical rules. Heart Rate Variability (HRV), the time between heartbeats, changes with physical activity, emotions, and respiration. The pattern of HRV can be modelled with fractal geometry and chaos theory, which show how small variations in heartbeat timing contribute to heart health. Research indicates that individuals with more variable HRV tend to have healthier hearts, as these small irregularities allow the heart to adapt to different conditions.

Body's Natural Pattern-The Fibonacci Sequence: The Fibonacci sequence (0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13...) also appears in the human body. The length of bones in our fingers follows this sequence: the longest bone is closest to the palm, and each bone gets progressively shorter. This pattern can also be observed in the spiral shapes of hair, muscle growth, and cell division, demonstrating the efficiency of nature's design.

Human Proportions-The Golden Ratio: One of the most fascinating connections between math and biology is the human body's proportions. These often follow the Golden Ratio (1.618), a number found in nature and art. For instance, the proportions of the face, such as the distance between the eyes or mouth, often approximate this ratio.

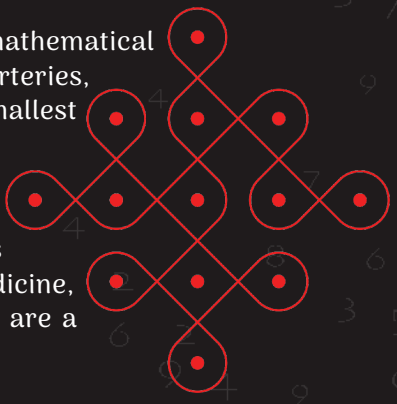
Biomechanics-The Math of Movement: Biomechanics, the study of movements, uses geometry and physics to understand how forces affect the body. The angles at which muscles and joints work are determined by mathematical formulas to maximize efficiency and force during movement. This knowledge helps doctors, physiotherapists, and sports scientists improve performance and prevent injury.

Biological Balance-Symmetry & Asymmetry: Symmetry plays a key role in human function. Bilateral symmetry, where the left and right sides of the body are nearly identical, is essential for movement and balance. Paired organs like the kidneys, lungs, and eyes rely on symmetry for effective functioning. While minor asymmetries exist-such as one foot being slightly larger than the other-these are normal and can provide insight into health.

Bone Alignment-Geometry in Structure: Bones are designed using geometric principles to optimize strength while minimizing weight. The internal structure of trabecular bone resembles a honeycomb, distributing stress efficiently while keeping bones lightweight. This geometric design is vital for movement and stability, and engineers often study bone structures to create stronger, lighter materials in technology and architecture.

Circulatory System-Optimized Networks: The body's blood vessels follow mathematical models to optimize energy use and nutrient delivery. The branching pattern of arteries, similar to a tree, maximizes surface area while minimizing energy loss. The smallest vessels, capillaries, follow a fractal pattern, ensuring efficient blood flow.

Conclusion-The Body as a Living Equation: The human body is a living, mathematical system. From heart rhythms to bone structure, math supports every aspect of our biology. Understanding these patterns opens new doors in medicine, science, and engineering. The next time you look in the mirror, remember you are a mathematical masterpiece.



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Counting My World

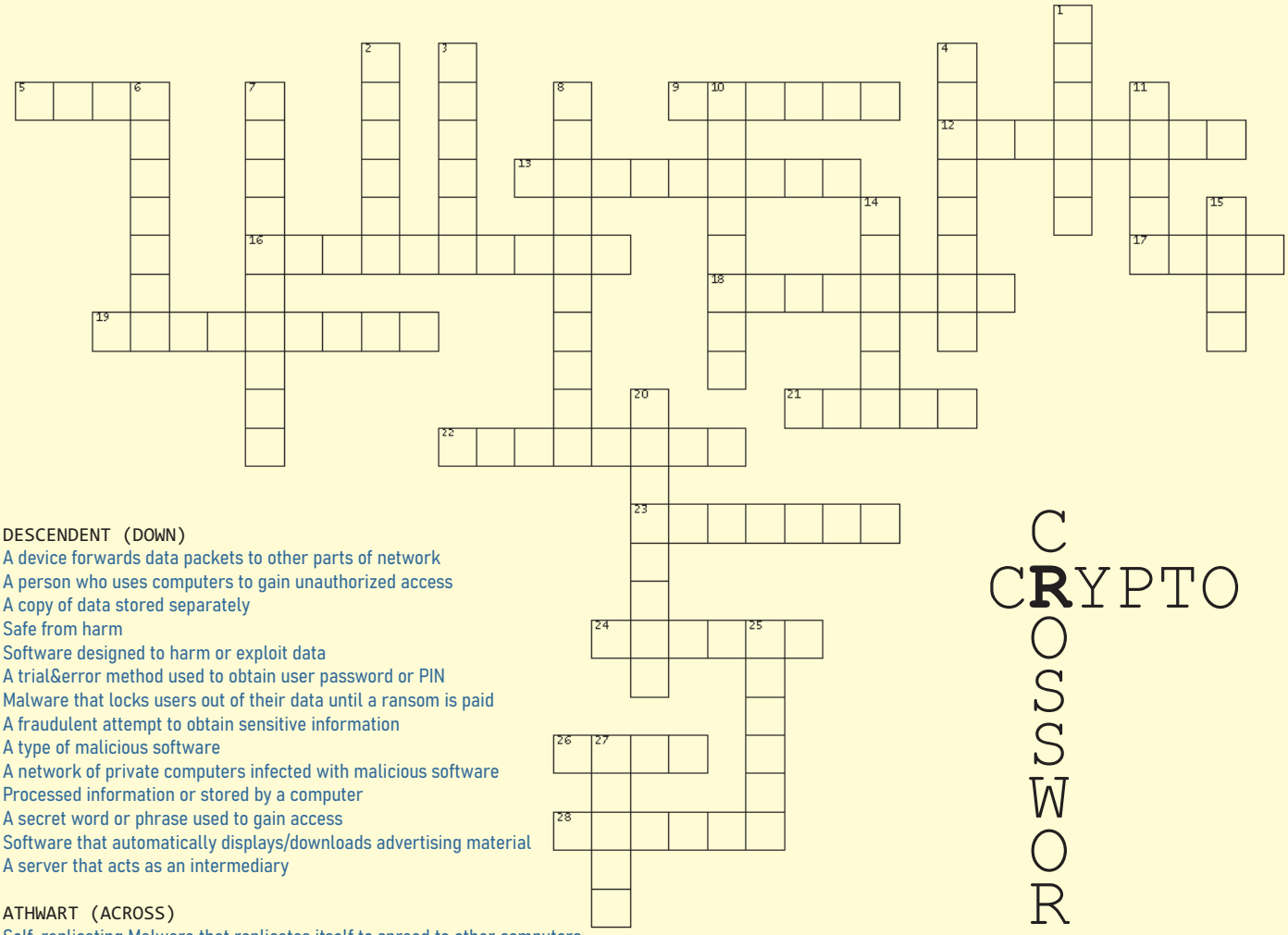
Numbers, numbers all around,
Everywhere they can be found.
Numbers tell how old I am,
And how many people in my fam.
How much I weigh,
Where I live, that's not all!
When to wake up and when to eat,
What size shoes to buy for my feet?
I don't know what I'd be
If numbers weren't a part of life.

-Invisha Rathi M, Grade VIII

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In a world of logic,
Where syntax flows,
The string that glows!
From lists to tuples & dictionaries,
To keys that breeze.
Loops spin around,
Like a moon in the night,
While conditions stand
As sentinels, tight.
Libraries vast, at the coder's command,
The stories unfold
With each line, we stand.
With ciphers and scripts,
We continue to create,
In the language of Python,
Let's Code and Ignite!

-Sharvesh S & Nalin M, Grade XII



CROSSWORD

DESCENDENT (DOWN)

1. A device forwards data packets to other parts of network
2. A person who uses computers to gain unauthorized access
3. A copy of data stored separately
4. Safe from harm
6. Software designed to harm or exploit data
7. A trial&error method used to obtain user password or PIN
8. Malware that locks users out of their data until a ransom is paid
10. A fraudulent attempt to obtain sensitive information
11. A type of malicious software
14. A network of private computers infected with malicious software
15. Processed information or stored by a computer
20. A secret word or phrase used to gain access
25. Software that automatically displays/downloads advertising material
27. A server that acts as an intermediary

ATHWART (ACROSS)

5. Self-replicating Malware that replicates itself to spread to other computers
9. To bring something more current by installing a newer version
12. Ask for this from your parents/guardians before you go into the chat room
13. Software designed to detect and destroy malicious software
16. The process of converting info into unreadable format to prevent unauthorised access
17. A fraudulent scheme
18. The fact of being who or what a person or thing is
19. Software that records every keystroke of user
21. A piece of software designed to update a computer program to fix or improve it
22. A network security system that controls incoming and outgoing traffic
23. Software that secretly gathers user information
24. A type of malware disguised as legitimate software
26. Unsolicited and irrelevant messages sent over the internet
28. A small piece of data stored on the user's computer

-Ameenoor Raseed A R, Dept. of Computer Science

The Art of Growth

From the dumb fetus in the mama's womb,
To discover life's gentle pace,
The change was strange, a world so wide,
Yet it was growth, a step with pride.

From the child who clung to mom each day,
To school where thoughts walk up and down,
The change felt scary, strange, and new,
Yet it was courage, growing through.

From the youth who laughed with pals so dear,
To the utopian with intentions clear,
The shift was tricky, paths unknown,
Yet it was purpose lately sown.

From the neophyte, lost without a companion,
To the thinker, with wisdom by her side,
The change felt heavy, yet filled with light,
A step towards knowing wrong from right.

From the pupil, free in her council days,
To the tutor, guiding with a steady gaze,
The shift was dismaying, big, and bold,
Yet it was growth, a story told.

From the free personage, savouring bachelorhood,
To the family member, doing good,
The change was big, a love to partake,
A step towards bonds beyond compare.

From the guardian, watching her loved ones grow,
To the elder, cherished as seasons flow,
The change felt tender, soft, and kind,
A step towards peace, with joy aligned.

Each phase we meet may feel enclosing,
Yet through these shifts, we grow mature,
Embrace each alter, the highs and the lows,
For life is growth, as each step shows.

-Yahash P M, Grade IX

Ink Scribed Soul

Satiny filaments of thought, I interlace with care,
An ink-dipped quill reveals my heart's deepest lair.
Rhythmic beats intertwine with my pen,
Emotions unshackled in every line again.
Whispers of the past echo in each phrase,
Love and misfortune create a poignant, sweet amaze.
My tale unfurls in vivid black and white,
A piece of my soul gustoes in each lunar night.
I write to heal, to mend a broken heart,
To find my voice through life's shrill start.
In every word, a piece of my essence sparkles,
A reflection of my wild, uninhibited heart that aligns.
My words are starlight, sparkling bright,
A guiding force navigating through the night.
I am the words I write with a heart aglow,
A piece of my spirit, forever etched in the snow.
In quiet hours, I discover my lyrical voice,
A harmony of emotions that makes a genuine choice.
My words are wings, lifting me to the Empyrean,
Above heartache, I touch the sun-kissed euphoria.
With every line, I take a confident stand,
My voice resounds across this mystic land.
The words I write with my passion's flame,
A reflection of my heart, forever the same.

-Harini Prakash, Grade X





Whispers of the HEART

Soft as the wind, caught in dreams' flight,

These whispers of the heart, glowing brightly.

Shifting with each moment, swirling through the air,

These whispers of the heart, float everywhere.

Burning like flames, melting like frost,

These whispers of the heart, at any cost.

Gleam like the moon, flicker like in the night,

These whispers of the heart are full of light.

Delicate as petals, yet as tough as a gem,

These whispers of the heart are never condemned.

Towering-like peaks as deep as the sea,

These whispers of the heart are wild and free.

They blossom with joy, yet sometimes close tight,

These whispers of the heart, full of delight.

They search for love, and dreams they'll chase,

These gentle murmurs of the heart, an endless glaze.

No start, no end, they just flow along,

These whispers of the heart are forever strong.

-Nikesh Kumar, Grade XI

The Fine Line Between Hope & Hype

As they say, excess of anything is counterproductive or has the opposite effect. Is too much optimism good? Optimism is definitely valuable, as it keeps hope alive, motivates us to work toward our goals, and inspires us to strive for further achievements. However, too much optimism or unrealistic positivity can lead to inaction. This may result in indecisiveness, mental breakdowns, or frustration due to undesired outcomes, which can eventually lead to hopelessness and negativity.

Optimism or positivity is beneficial as long as it leads to action or decision-making that brings us closer to our goals or purpose. This sense of achievement then motivates further progress and character development. However, constantly trying to be positive can imply suppressing the full range of human emotions, which can become toxic.

When we imagine positivity about achieving good grades, we are likely to work hard toward this goal with dedication. We may or may not reach our objective on the first try, but the optimism keeps us trying, and this persistence often boosts our morale, helping us to ultimately succeed. On the other hand, if we are overly optimistic, we may come to believe that things will happen on their own, which could lead to idleness. In this case, we will certainly not achieve what we desire, and we may end up feeling helpless, which undermines the very essence of optimism.

Realistic optimism is the idea that not only one turns successful, but also understands that the road to success may be rocky and challenging. Toxic positivity, on the other hand, is counterproductive. While positivity can help us unlock our potential, too much optimism can lead to failure despite having the potential to succeed.

-Khushi Yadav L, Grade XI

THE POWER OF SMALL STEPS

We're in a world where people tend to overlook the impact of small, consistent efforts in favour of celebrating their startling success. Greatness, in actuality, is rarely attained in a single leap. It develops gradually through a series of small and ordinary actions that add up over time. Taking little steps can prevent us from feeling exhausted and focused on the dream, which makes us enjoy the journey to our ideal location. As Lao Tzu wisely said, **"The Journey of a Thousand Miles begins with a single step"**.

No matter how trivial it may seem, every action brings us one step closer to our objectives. In the search for our ambitions, it's easy to become trapped by the magnitude of the trip ahead. A lot of the time, we wait for the appropriate moment to begin the process. However, we must be more active and patient because life is more like a marathon than a sprint. Taking little steps and being consistent every day is the key to long term growth and achievement in life. When we start small, we can gain energy without overwhelming ourselves. We can remain committed and engaged since these small efforts are more effective and attainable.

Finally, our success is determined by how consistently we go towards our objective rather than how big our steps are. Taking small steps may appear meaningless in the short run, but its effect is considerable in the long run. Our ambition will become a habit if we pursue it consistently and in tiny ways. Remember the path we travelled, regardless of how wealthy or successful we become. Two things will characterize us in this world: **'Determination when one has nothing, Attitude when one has everything.'**

Beyond everything as Mark Twain correctly opines, **"The secret of getting ahead is getting started"**. Let's begin today, take baby steps, and trust the process.

-Chandarati S S, Grade XI

A Year at GEETHAANJALI

If ever you should go by chance to GEETHAANJALI
And if there, should you advance
Kiddos in leisurewear enjoy more than enough
You will know it is the month of **April.**

If sometimes when roaming around
A noble pedagogue greets you
A philomath waiting for neophytes
You will know it is the month of **May.**

If you walk forth, a thing with feathers you view
Is a rookie come a long way
To live and learn
You will know it is the month of **June.**

If when you are invited
If you have any doubts after contemplating
I guess you'd meet the mass, who evident their chops
You will know it is the month of **July.**

If you could view a crowd in succession
One after the other, turning in a tight formation
As if they were practicing manoeuvres
You will know it is the month of **August.**

If welcome faces up and down, you roved
Questions, directions, warnings, and advices
From all sides, deep knowledge is gotten
You will know it is the month of **September.**

If you twitch with excitement
Having a hundred hands in a receptacle
Tongue-tasting grubby hands with relish
You will know it is the month of **October.**

If you could see the nerves of the masses throbbing
Hearts palpitate to manifest the icon of the Pantheon
And encouragers burst at the seams in the charabanc
You will know it is the month of **November.**

If you mosey forth, you shall feel the celebration
With pride and enthusiasm
Begetter witnessed the year-long achievements and eulogized
You will know it is the month of **December.**

If all attired in new chic clothes with sugarcane and turmeric
Surround the effervescing Pongal-Pot
To pay respect to the Sun-God
You will know it is the month of **January.**

If you manifest the problem with a molecular perspective
Evaluate an experiment quantitatively and qualitatively
Accurately draw living specimens
You will know it is the month of **February.**

When the day begins with a ton of motivation
Wearing a broad smile with rays of hope
Voice uttering not the end of the world
You will know it is the month of **March.**

-Godrin Nisha G, Dept. of English

THE INVISIBLE TIE

My journey thrives in a blessed paradise,
Togetherness and positivity make us rise.
Sorrows and joys, together they bind,
A memory lasting forever in mind.

Secure in the bonds that hold us tight,
Cheering hearts filled with light.
Celebration leads to euphoric bliss,
A handful of reasons to smile and reminisce.

Flexible ties that help us rise,
In the magnificence of the skies.
Our temple of learning, Geethaanjali,
A place where all our dreams run free.

-Hajeera S, Dept. of English

LIVE LIFE WITH SCHOOL LIFE

Every school is special in its very own way, but what sets my school apart is its distinctiveness. School life is a pivotal chapter in one's journey, offering opportunities for learning and discipline. We are never disheartened by failure; instead, we are taught that those who fall are stronger than those who never try.

At our school, we embrace the spirit of togetherness. This is where we lose ourselves in the joy of learning. We learn together, eat together, and play together, as **'I am, because we are'**. What makes school different from life? At school, we are taught a lesson and then given a test. But in real life, we are given a test that teaches us a lesson.

For many of us, the most irritating moment might be the morning alarm, the hardest task could be finding matching socks, and the longest journey might feel like walking to class. But here, at Geethaanjali, these moments are all part of the adventure. Every day is a precious sail, cherished with friends and guided by wise teachers who teach not just the chapters of books, but also enlighten us with the chapters of life.

-Sahana V A, Grade XI

The True Power of Education

What if education fosters critical thinking skills and the capacity to adapt to a world that is constantly changing?

What if education isn't just about acquiring knowledge but cultivating the ability to think critically and adapt to an ever-changing world? While education is often seen primarily as a means of gaining knowledge, it encompasses much more than memorizing facts. Fundamentally, education stimulates social development, critical thinking, and personal growth. It fosters intellectual and emotional intelligence and resilience, equipping individuals with the tools needed to navigate a complex world.

Furthermore, education is essential for establishing social norms and values and for fostering equity and understanding across diverse populations. From this perspective, education becomes a continuous process that influences our decisions, interpersonal relationships, and how we engage with the world. It empowers us to question assumptions, pursue our passions, and contribute meaningfully to society.

As Martin Luther King Jr. once said, Intelligence plus character-that is the goal of true education. This sentiment underscores that the essence of education lies not only in academic achievement but also in cultivating character and engaging thoughtfully with the world. Education transcends mere facts and figures; it embraces the holistic development of individuals. At its core, it nurtures critical thinking, creativity, and emotional intelligence, enabling people to understand themselves and the world around them.

It also fosters essential skills such as problem-solving, communication, and collaboration, which are crucial for personal and professional success. Moreover, education promotes values like empathy, tolerance, and civic responsibility, helping individuals become informed and engaged members of society. In this way, it serves as a powerful tool for empowerment, social change, and the creation of a more just and equitable world.

Ultimately, the true meaning of education lies in its ability to inspire lifelong learning and personal growth, equipping individuals to navigate challenges and contribute meaningfully to their communities. By embracing this broader definition, we can better appreciate the transformative power of education in shaping not only individuals but also society as a whole.

-Hansha Ferhoon M, Grade VII

From Dreamer to Entrepreneur

"What if I could turn my crave into a budding entrepreneur?" I aspire to become a proficient businessman. Leading a team, being my own boss, and designing new products have always inspired me. Being a business visionary involves embracing inventiveness, overcoming challenges, and achieving fulfilment.

To reach my goal, I plan to earn degrees in commerce & administration and gain broad experiences through internships and hands-on research. Additionally, I aim to develop my leadership, organizing skills, marketing, and networking skills to build a long-lasting and successful company. I often think about Sir Ratan Tata, whose life serves as a powerful reminder that values, vision, and character are just as important to success as money. Even though things aren't always easy, I want to fight hard because I have the perseverance and persistence to keep battling.

As an entrepreneur, I'm dedicated to changing society by coming up with innovative solutions to real-world problems. My goal is to create a brand synonymous with innovation, integrity, and excellence. Ultimately, I want my business to motivate people and assist them in reaching their objectives. In conclusion, I dream to run a socially responsible business that envisages my leadership and innovation to make a meaningful difference in the world.

-Samreesh M, Grade V

School days

Memories of school days shine bright,
Friendships forged in a youthful light.
Guidance with compassion,
Makes us learn with passion.
In verdant halls, where laughter reigns,
The bond of intimacy remains.
Moments cherished forever,
Always be the treasurer.

-Shivani Srii S, Grade VII

A Life-Giving Gift from God

A gift that helps us through each hurdle,
A gift that brings a peace so fertile.
A gift that fosters a healthy mind,
A gift for those who wait, kind and blind.
A gift that pushes us toward the grind,
A gift that strengthens body and mind.
A gift that guides us to long-term dreams,
A gift that helps us learn new schemes.
A gift that teaches kindness, too,
A gift of self-control in all we do.
Be patient, be peaceful, and you will see,
In time, perfection will set you free.

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