



**PRESIDENCY GROUP  
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# **HOME & SCHOOL 2023-24 CONNECT** 1<sup>st</sup> EDITION

**Presidency School, Bangalore South**



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**2023-24**

## *From the Principal's desk.....*



Dear Parents,

Presidency South team gives their best to improve the quality of work .This year we have introduced skill based education from grade 6 to grade 10. We are regularly sharing the monthly newsletter from June onwards. We have planned all our events and activities based on 17 SDG goals of the UN which helps us to achieve holistic development. As all of you witnessed our dream production The Kaveri.. we created huge awareness and the production was well received by guests, parents and grandparents. We continue to work towards the environmental causes - Save Rivers , Save Waters , Save Soil.

I place on records we thank all parents for there wonderful partnership.

PSBS team is working to give the best to the students and the institution.

Please do send the feedback after reading the home school connect .

Thanking and wishing each one of you very best ..

**J Bhuvaneshwari**  
**Principal & Director**

Please do read the home school connect and stay connected with us . Send your feedback to [principal-blk@presidency.edu.in](mailto:principal-blk@presidency.edu.in) . My sincere thanks and gratitude to each and every one of you!

## Grade 10 Board results 2022-23 at a glance



**I Topper**  
Rajiv Mukundakumar  
488/500- 97.6%



**I Topper**  
Sri Sai Lasya Doddasomayajula  
488/500- 97.6%



**I Topper**  
Vani Mishra  
488/500- 97.6%



**II Topper**  
Rahul Badrinath  
486/500- 97.2%



**II Topper**  
Harika Mulukutla  
486/500- 97.2%



**III Topper**  
Sahana Arunprasath  
484/500- 96.8%



**III Topper**  
Gayatri Sridhar  
484/500- 96.8%



**III Topper**  
Viniya Garg  
484/500- 96.8%

### CENTUMS

<b>SANSKRIT</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chaitra Govindaraju</li> <li>2. Rahul Badrinath</li> <li>3. Sahana Arunprasath</li> <li>4. Sumeru N K</li> <li>5. Gayatri Sridhar</li> <li>6. Harika Mulukutla</li> <li>7. Shrivatsav Balachandar</li> <li>8. Karthik S Vasishta</li> <li>9. Vani Mishra</li> </ol>
<b>SCIENCE</b>	Rahul Badrinath
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ashesh Tripathy</li> <li>2. Sri sai lasya Doddasomayajula</li> </ol>

## Grade 10 Board results 2022-23 at a glance

### Grade 12 Science Stream



I Topper  
Rohit L  
490/500- 98%



II Topper  
Nidhi Vinayak Kulkarni  
489/500- 97.8%



III Topper  
Jaival Nilkanth Patel  
483/500- 96.6%

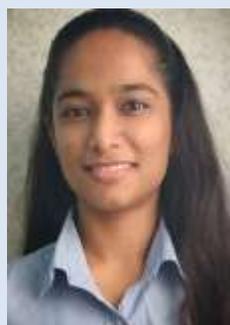


III Topper  
S Prajan  
483/500- 96.6%

### Centums

<b>COMPUTER SCIENCE</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ROHIT L</li> <li>2. PRAJAN S</li> </ol>
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### Grade 12 Commerce Stream



I Topper  
Tasneem Kapasi  
478/500- 95.6%



II Topper  
Aryan Dilip  
464/500- 92.8%



II Topper  
Prajanya Vijayakumar  
464/500- 92.8%



III Topper  
Sushmita N  
461/500- 92.2%

### Centums

<b>INFORMATICS PRACTICES</b>	<b>NEERAJA RAJESH NAIR</b>
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### Grade 12 Humanities



I Topper  
Jyotirmayee Bellur  
478/500- 95.6%



II Topper  
Shivadhi Shekar  
457/500- 91.4%



III Topper  
Ayushi Tanwar  
451/500- 90.2%

## World Environment Day



Presidency School Bangalore South's fervor about protecting nature is a long-term commitment and 5<sup>th</sup> of June, marked the inaugural of the Eco-week- Elenore. A special assembly was organized at the school auditorium. The school was decorated with eco-friendly materials with the desire to be in harmony with nature.

The special assembly on World Environment Day began with the prayer followed by the thoughts in English, Hindi, Kannada and Sanskrit. Students also shared the National News, International News, Sports News and the Weather Report.

Priyadarshini of grade 12A threw light on the topic through her speech. Sahana of grade 12A acquainted the audience with the theme of this year's World Environment Day - Beat plastic pollution. She referred to the importance of 3R- reduce, reuse and recycle. Students performed a dance to showcase the importance of saving trees and to stop the use of plastic. A skit was staged focusing on the ill effects of plastics on our daily life. The choir sang a harmonious melody conveying the need to save the environment.

Ms. Indumathi, HOD of the science department, urged the students to replace plastic products with more sustainable alternatives. Our Principal Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari motivated the students through her invigorating speech to save the environment for a sustainable future and planted a sapling as well to give it a head start. At the end of the assembly the audience drove home the idea put forward by Nelson Mandela:

"You can start changing the world for the better daily- no matter how small the action."

To culminate the entire week's celebration the school had organized a Walkathon to spread awareness on sustainable development goals.



## Blood Donation Camp



*"Be the reason for someone's heart beat!"*

The Social Science Department of Presidency School Bangalore South organized a 'Blood Donation Camp,' on Saturday 24 June 2023 from 8.30 am to 1.30 pm in the School Auditorium. The initiative was a part of our Presidency Social Responsibility (PSR) taken up with the intention of teaching students the values of 'Sharing and Caring'. PSBS witnessed parents, students and teachers together support this noble cause with great enthusiasm. Refreshment to the donors was provided by Red Cross after the blood donation. A total of 37 units of blood was collected and the donors left with a smile on their face which spoke of the immense satisfaction they had, to be the reason for someone's heartbeat.



## International Yoga Day



The International Yoga Day was observed on June 21 at Presidency School Bangalore South, to raise awareness about the ancient practice and to celebrate the physical prowess that yoga has brought to the world. Students across Grade 3 to 12 took part with great vigour and zest, along with parents and teachers as well, highlighting the intrinsic link between Yoga and health. The theme for this year 2023 "Yoga for Vasudhaiva Kutumbaka," meaning "One World One Family," kept resonating in the hearts and minds of all because Yoga adds life to our years and years to our life.



## Cabinet Elections



*“A boss has a title, a leader has people.” – Simon Sinek*

The much-awaited Student Cabinet Election was held on 22nd June 2023 at Presidency School Bangalore South, with students across Grades 5 to 12 voting in a fair and democratic way to choose their leaders. The process of electing the right cabinet for PSBS began in the beginning of June with students submitting their consents to stand for various posts. The contenders of the various posts, went around campaigning for their posts by reading out their manifestos and prepared attractive posters to convince the students that they were the right choice. Nearly 1200 students cast their votes to exercise their right to franchise by choosing the candidates of their choice. By voting, the students added voices to the chorus that forms opinions and basis for actions. The results were announced on the very same day by Principal Ma'am with PSBS witnessing a sea of emotions. Success or failure, the contenders congratulated each other and accepted their successes and defeats in a very positive way.

*“Before you are a leader, success is all about growing yourself. When you become a leader, success is all about growing others.”*



## COFEE (Commerce for Emerging Entrepreneurs)



*"The best way to predict the future is to create it."*

'COFEE' was inaugurated on Friday, June 16th, with President Ms. NIKITA PATIL and Vice President MALAVIKA P. The Organizing Committee, comprised of students, introduced the various competitions and events under the Commerce Department to the student body. In the following week, students were briefed on the rules and regulations for IMPEX, a trading competition. Students were divided into teams, each representing a different country such as India, Egypt, USA, UK, and more. They engaged in trading various commodities, with prices displayed through a PowerPoint presentation. In the last week of June, students actively participated in trading as the floor was opened to trading activities. The Organizing Committee provided teams with different news updates that influenced their commodity trading decisions. Students received Share and Transaction certificates from their Team Leaders. The winning team was INDIA, with a total of \$72,975, followed by ITALY at \$62,400 and USA at \$61,440. President Ms. NIKITA PATIL and Vice President MALAVIKA P. provided feedback to the students, highlighting the mistakes made during trading to enhance the competitive spirit among them. This event marked a great beginning and provided students with practical experience in commerce and trading, offering them valuable skills for the future."



## World Music Day



*"Music has the ability to take people out of themselves for a few hours."*

On Thursday, June 22nd, 2023, Presidency School Bangalore South celebrated 'World Music Day.' The event began with a welcome speech and was followed by a captivating performance by the team from Carnatic Gurukulam Music Academy. Their melodious voices and diverse song selection left the audience entranced. Our school's choir and individual student performers also showcased their impressive musical talents, keeping the audience thoroughly engaged. It was a place where attendees could find solace and escape from the frenzy of life, immersing themselves in the world of music.



## EID AL-ADHA FESTIVAL



The special assembly marked the joyous festival of Id ul Adha, celebrated to mark the noble act of Ibrahim's sacrifice. The event began with the school prayer, followed by quotes read by students from the Holy Quran. Students also shared the important five pillars of Islam, that every follower of the religion must adhere to. A video portraying the story of Ibrahim and his sacrifice made the audience appreciate and understand the importance of the festival.

Students spoke about the significance of the Haaj pilgrimage and the ways in which the festival of Id ul Adha is celebrated across households. The programme ended with a soulful song by the school choir (Hasbirabb). The assembly served as a reminder to students of the moral values and the beauty of self-sacrifice for the greater good.



## Investiture Ceremony



*"In the emergence of new leaders, with time the world continues to evolve thus eternally."*

Presidency School Bangalore South, observed the induction of the new student council at a grand Investiture Ceremony-INICIO, on Saturday, 8 July 2023. Twenty-six students of the High School and Senior Secondary classes emerged as the winners of an enthusiastically contested student council election in the month of June. Their inclusion in the Student Council of 2023-24 was the heart of a grand event honored by the presence of Col. PL Jayaram as the Chief Guest and the Director of Presidency Group of Institutions, Ms. Nafeesa Ahmed. The freshly elected cabinet marched to the beat of the drums and stirred in the leadership spirit. The cabinet was invested with the official badges and sashes by our Principal, Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari, Ms. Nafeesa Ahmed and the esteemed Chief Guest. The chief guest spoke on how one can be an effective leader and our Principal administered the oath and urged the students to lead by example.



# World Chocolate Day



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## Teacher Felicitation



*"A good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to light the way for others!"*

Presidency School Bangalore South always believes in recognizing the contribution of educators. In view of the good board results of Grades 10 and 12 for the academic year 2022-23, teachers who handled Grades 10 and 12 were felicitated by the Director, PGI, Ms. Nafeesa Ahmed and our Principal, Ms. J. Bhuvaneshwari. They were lauded for their contributions to the subject they teach and in molding the young minds of students.



## Student Felicitation



*"The Difference between Ordinary and Extraordinary is that Little Extra!"*

The much-awaited felicitation, celebrating the achievements of the meritorious batch of Grade 10 and 12 student school toppers, centum holders and subject toppers of the CBSE Board Examinations 2023 took place in Presidency School Bangalore South on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Students were rewarded with trophies, cash prizes and medals by the Director of PGI, Ms. Nafeesa Ahmed and our Principal, Ms. J. Bhuvaneshwari. The event left a lasting impression, reminding us of the limitless potential of the students thus proving that it is possible for ordinary students to choose to be extraordinary!



## World Chocolate Day



*“Cultures grow on the vine of tradition”*

In keeping with the tradition of World Chocolate Day, Presidency School Bangalore South celebrated the World Chocolate Day on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Students across Pre KG to Grade 12, took part in the events zestfully by leaping on to the opportunity to compete using delectable chocolates. From luscious chocolate milk and comforting hot chocolate to indulgent chocolate candy bars, heavenly chocolate cakes, irresistible brownies, and everything in between, the celebration encompassed a wide range of chocolate-infused goodies. Events like choc-stick raps and choc-stick poems were not only an entertainment factor, but were also fashioned to hone the student’s English language skills. Our Principal Ma’am Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari motivated the students and took part in the celebration. The success of the jubilant event was evident in the smiles of the students.



## Illuminance



*"Competition is the best form of motivation!"*

Presidency School Bangalore South celebrated the most awaited extravaganza of the year, 'Illuminance 2023' on the 20th of July 2023 in the school premises with a lot of fervor and passion. Over 1700 students participated in this mega event. The event began with the lighting of the lamp by the Core team, the Coordinators and the Event Organizers. This was followed by the unveiling of the logos and the videos made by the four houses. The Principal, Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari wished all the students the very best for the event.

The various competitions included Blood Craft, Find X, Brand Hawk, Big Bucks Block, Battle of the Bands and Group dance to name a few. The participants competed in a plethora of events and entertained the audience with their talent.

Tagore House emerged the winner of this mega show. The events were a beautiful fusion of discipline, team spirit, joy and determination and gave the students an opportunity to unleash their talents and strive hard to win laurels for their respective houses.



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## Literary Fest 'ESPERANTO'



*“Literature transforms the man who reads it towards the condition of the man who wrote, and brings to birth in us the creative impulse!”*

The literati themselves descended on Presidency School Bangalore South on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July 2023. Esperanto- the Inter-Presidency Literary Fest, was a celebration of language and the power of words. The festival was a platform for students of grades 3 to 12, to showcase their talent in oration, debate, spelling and poetry. An esteemed panel of judges presided over the event picking the very best from a host of talented participants. The young spell masters (Peritus Linguae) of grade 6 showcased their spelling and vocabulary expertise with much elan. Melodia (Poetry recitation) by grade 7 was an apt tribute to famous poets and Poesis Animae( Poetry slam) was a hub of young poets wielding their pen to write soul soothing poetry. Through their eloquence and captivating expressions, the Rhetorica (elocution) participants of grade 7 illuminated the stage with the sheer brilliance of their spoken words. The Argumentative Coliseum (debate) participants of grades 8 and 9 exhibited remarkable intellectual prowess and persuasive skills, engaging in thought-provoking discussions that left the audience in awe of their articulate arguments. The Conflictus Oratorom(War of Words) participants fearlessly wielded their linguistic swords in a battle of intellect. The event not only enhanced the participants' language skills but also promoted healthy competition, sportsmanship, and camaraderie among them. It served as an inspiration for the youth to develop a love for languages and to continue honing their linguistic abilities in the future.



## Mock Parliament



*“Deliberation and Debate is the way to stir the soul of our democracy!”*

In an attempt to train students on Parliamentary Practices and Procedures PSBS successfully conducted a boot camp led by PRS Legislative Research team, on 13 July 2023. A total of 73 students across Grades 9 - 12 actively participated, debated and discussed on the BILL - “REGULATIONS FOR COACHING CENTRES” benefitting and experiencing a Mock Parliament. Three best teams were given the ‘Best Speaker’ certificates based on their debating and questioning skills. It was an enriching experience for the students who learnt that a democracy can be stirred by debate and deliberation.



## Leadership Camp



### Leadership Camp - "Learn to Lead, Lead to Learn"

PRESIDENCY believes in shaping and molding leaders in taking up the big stage. With that vision in mind, Presidency School Bangalore South hosted the "Leadership Camp 2023 - Learn to Lead, Lead to Learn" on 7 August 2023. The camp was attended by a total on 188 student cabinet members across all the Presidency Group Schools in Bangalore which included, PSBS, PSBE, PSBN, PSRTN, PSNLO, PSBSK and St. Pauls. The event was conducted by the Greycaps team, led by Mr. Giri Balasubramaniam. Ms. Niharika, Mr. Shravan Shetty, Mr. Ram Prasad were the key members of the team who took the students through an intense programme to equip the young student leaders, with the 21st century leadership skills. The day long programme involved the students in a plethora of games, activities and talks which helped them unlock their potential in becoming better leaders of tomorrow. It was indeed a spectacle to witness the future leaders of the country, under one roof; learning to adjust their sails to lead and leading to learn and evolve.



## Independence Day Celebrations



*"Freedom is the open window through which pours the sunlight of the human spirit and human dignity."*

Presidency School Bangalore South celebrated the 77th Independence Day on 15th August 2023 with immense pride and joy. A true spirit of patriotism was felt as the students engaged the audience with a melange of events with over 200 student participants. Students recalled the sacrifices of our freedom fighters with patriotic speeches in Kannada and English. The Yoga and the Pyramid formations added flavour to the day's event. The dance depicted the warriors as the pride of our nation. The true essence of India's culture was captured by a fancy dress show by the students and the role play on our freedom fighters was a tribute to the great sacrifices made by them for our freedom. Our Principal emphasized the role of youth today as the true wealth of a country. She urged the youth to upgrade their skills and work together to build a strong and prosperous country. Indeed, it was a day of joy, a day to love and respect our country and make it a better place for us to live and experience the freedom, peace and unity in diversity.



## Library Day



**“The library is the temple of learning, and learning has liberated more people than all the wars in history.” – Carl T. Rowan**

Schools and libraries are the twin cornerstones of a civilized society. In an effort to honour those who help in cataloguing and re-shelving books, National Librarian Day was observed in Presidency School Bangalore South, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August 2023. The day was celebrated in remembrance of Dr S.R Ranganathan, National Professor Library Science, who had spearheaded library development in India liberating people from their ignorance and leading them to the path of learning.





## ANNUAL DAY 1



### *"Nature is the purest portal to inner peace"*

With a deep sense of gratitude towards The Kaveri which nurtures life in not one but two states in Southern India, this year's Annual Day "Rally for Nature - The Kaveri" at Presidency School Bangalore South was marked as a tribute to this embodiment of generosity and nourishment as well as to other elements of biodiversity that need to be preserved. Around 450 students of KG to Grade 3 participated with a purpose to focus on the origin and journey of The Kaveri, and to highlight the dispute that exists between her people who seem to consider her as their own property. The themes of the dances were centered around the importance of saving The Kaveri, the soil she waters, the flora and fauna she nurtures, the culture she customizes, the agriculture she promotes, the festivals in which she is revered and the nature she is a part of.

The students' performances were lively due to the deep-rooted understanding of the cause that they upheld through their dances. Every detail was meticulously crafted to capture the essence of each dance on the stage. The choice of costumes, dance movements, props, songs, and stage setting all contributed to bringing each performance to life.

These efforts weren't just about showcasing talent; they were a powerful means of conveying a crucial message - the need to conserve water resources, with a special focus on the Kaveri River. The students' performances aimed to promote ecological balance and offer hope for a renewed future for mankind."



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## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

Dear Ma'am,  
Good morning to you!

It was an absolute pleasure to attend your Annual Day production, "The Kaveri." I truly enjoyed being a part of the event and witness the incredible talent and dedication of your students and team.

It was an honor to be present and show support for such a meaningful and important theme. The message of preserving our rivers, particularly The Kaveri, is a vital one, and your school has done an exceptional job in spreading awareness.

I commend you and your team for your tireless efforts in organizing this event and for your dedication to such a noble cause. I wholeheartedly support your mission to save The Kaveri and our precious rivers, and I will certainly carry this message forward and do my part in raising awareness.

Please convey my appreciation to your entire team for their outstanding work.

Regards,

Nafeesa Ahmed

Director

Presidency Group of Institutions

Bangalore/Mangalore

Dear Bhuvaneshwari,  
Greetings!

It was my proud privilege to witness the programme - The Kaveri. The entire programme was choreographed in an excellent manner. The time management was great – one item followed the other. A special word of appreciation to the sand artists who portrayed the next theme to be presented on the stage. The young comperes were very confident and articulated very well.

The entire team of staff and students, under your guidance performed in an exemplary manner. Kudos to each one of you!

Your hospitality is worth mentioning as you also offered snacks to my car driver. You are an excellent host, Bhuvaneshwari!

Thank you once again for having me over for the programme and we will surely carry the great message forward.

God Bless You!

**Warm regards,**

**Azeeza Easa.**

**Sr. General Manager**

**Presidency Group of Institutions**

To: Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Thu 8/24/2023 12:11 PM

Dear Bhuvaneshwari,

It was a pleasure to be at PSBS yesterday. It was a great show! Thank you for your warmth and wonderful hospitality

Warm regards,

Indira Kothaneth

Principal

Presidency School Nandini Layout

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

Dear Bhuvaneshwari,

My CODs, dance and music teachers attended your show and were enthralled by the production.

As teachers themselves they can understand the efforts that have gone into it by you and your team to make the event such a huge success.

Congratulations and Best Wishes for all the wonderful programs that we will be fortunate to witness in the future.

Warm Regards

Sandhya Raman

Principal, Presidency School Banashankari

To: *Bhuvaneshwari - HOI*

Wed 8/23/2023 11:24 AM

Dear Ma'am,

Congratulations on yet another successful Annual Day executed by Team PSBS. Kaveri was mesmerising as was expected. The timeless beauty of Kaveri has come alive, once again, drawing our attention to the need to save all water bodies. A well touched and effectively presented Social issue.

The sand art added the special touch while I was truly impressed with the

Tibetan dance, Mettur dance rhythmic

Dasha Avatara (always a delight,) the girl played all roles with conviction. The little peacocks at the Mayilattam, Dasara tableau which brought a glimpse of the pride of being a Kannadiga.... Everything!

Sadgurudev Baratam and O Nadi were the perfect closure for the epilogue.

The costumes were rich, vibrant and colourful. Student performances were effortless which showed that they enjoyed and lived it every bit.

The closing speech summarised it all.

Thank you once again for inviting us. On behalf of Sofiya, Suraj, Rohith and myself thanks a ton. God bless!

Warm regards

Asha Micah with Team PSRTN

To: *Bhuvaneshwari - HOI*

Thu 8/24/2023 10:26 AM

Dear Mam,

It was a privilege and honour to attend the Annual function of PSBS yesterday. The production was spectacular and the finesse with which it was conducted was a clear indication of the hard work of your staff. Your guidance has always been the beacon light for members of the Presidency group - whether senior or junior members like me. I have a lot to learn from you, mam.

I will surely spread the message of saving the Kaveri and all rivers of India - and try to make my small contribution for this noble cause. Together we can ensure a better and cleaner river water system for our future generations.

Regards,

Rakhi Mathur

Vice Principal, PSBN

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

Dear Bhuvana Ma'am:

**Thank you note from our Early Years Team - Lipika, Atoshi and Naayemah:** Thank you so much for inviting our curriculum team for your annual day performances on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug 23 and for being such wonderful and welcoming hosts.

It was a delight to watch the children perform on stage and bring to life the strong message that this year's annual day theme, 'Rally for Nature' was all about. The manner in which the entire story was weaved and brought together by all the children, teachers and everyone else involved right from the music to the costumes to the little children creating the sand art to introduce each performance, was truly commendable.

Kudos to you and your team for taking up such a relevant and important topic and showcasing it so beautifully.

It truly was a joy to witness every single performance.

Thank you once again for everything!

Regards,

Curriculum Department

On behalf of,

Lipika

Curriculum Dept

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Wed 8/23/2023 7:13 PM

Dear Ma'am,

I am writing to express my heartfelt appreciation for the extraordinary annual day performances that took place today. The creativity, talent, and dedication that went into organizing and executing the show was truly remarkable.

The journey of the river Kaveri, as portrayed through the performances, was not only aesthetically captivating but also deeply thought-provoking. The fusion of music, dance, sand art and storytelling beautifully conveyed the river's significance in shaping cultures, sustaining life, and nurturing ecosystems. The commitment to educating the audience about the urgent need for river conservation was commendable. The attention to detail in costumes and sand art design added to the immersive experience.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the entire team behind these shows - the students, teachers, staff, and everyone involved. Your hard work and dedication shone through, and I am truly grateful for the opportunity to have witnessed such a memorable event.

Once again, thank you for bringing this important message to the forefront through artistic excellence. I look forward to future events that continue to inspire and educate. Thank you for having us over.

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*Best regards,*

**Niharika Jain | National Head- School Engagement**

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Thu 8/24/2023 7:08 PM

Dear Ma'am

Grateful for the kind words.

Your shows are something which we look forward to attending, for their unique content and extraordinary execution. Wouldn't miss it for the world.

It really was an excellent show.

Thank you for always being there, guiding and supporting me in my endeavours.

With warm regards

Monica

Head Mistress

Presidency School Kasturinagar

To: Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Cc: Nissar Ahmed - Chairman

Mon 8/28/2023 1:53

PM

Dear Bhuvaneshwariji,

I am extremely sorry for having replied late as I have been traveling and have been out of the coverage area.

I would like to personally thank you and share the warmth and gratitude for inviting me to witness an absolute spectacle. Extremely humbled by the love and hospitality showcased towards me and my team during the event. The entire programme was very well aligned to the theme. The programme made me realise that Kaveri is an emotion that blends us one with Nature. The whole concept and execution in the dance story form was so mesmerizing and speaks volumes about the growth of the school under an extremely progressive school leader. Every minute of the event was so innovative and inspiring. Kudos to the entire Presidency South team for conceptualizing and making the event Kaveri a huge success. Got to meet Kausarji and Nafeesaji after a long time and share a few moments with them. Would also like to give a huge applause to the students who showcased the Sand Art, honestly for the first time I saw a school showcasing this creative talent so well. I would love to come and congratulate the superbly talented Sand Art team in morning assembly during one of these days.

It was so heart touching to see Bhuvaneshwariji mention about the dedicated hard work of every team-mate with such high dignity. As a true leader she showcases the pride that she takes in her teachers and students.

I am still relishing the grand event. The message beautifully implemented with beautiful costumes and dance form has left a great positive impact on me. Our rivers are so precious. Thanks, Bhuvaneshwariji for highlighting it specifically to the parent community. Your love towards India and to serve the Society was so clearly visible. Trust me I have started to conserve the water in whatever ways I can after this event.

My heartfelt Thanks to a very beautiful mentor, Social guide and a true progressive school leader. Deep Respect!

My deepest Regards

Deepali .

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Thu 8/24/2023 8:16 PM

Dear Ms Bhuvaneshwari Ma'am,

Thank you for this wonderful mail. I thoroughly enjoyed my time at the school witnessing the incredible work presented by your students. I could see immense passion in the eyes of all the teachers of PSBS while the students were performing on the stage. That shows the effort and ownership that each one of you have taken to create this wonderful event. Congratulations to each one of you for the great show.

Eagerly waiting to witness the next year's production.

*Best Regards,*

**RAM PRASAD N | National Head - Product Management**

To: Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Fri 8/25/2023 11:28 PM

Dear Principal Ma'am ,

I hope this message finds you well.

I wanted to take a moment to express our heartfelt appreciation for the incredible Annual Day event, the PSBS Home Production Program, that took place recently on 22nd Aug 2023. The entire program was a splendid showcase of talent, creativity, and hard work put in by both the students and the faculties.

The choice of performances, the execution, and the attention to detail were truly remarkable. Be it the dance performances, or anchoring or the sand art , everything was perfect and well executed. It was evident that a lot of effort and planning had gone into making the event a resounding success. The students' enthusiasm and dedication were palpable, and it was a joy to witness their confidence on stage.

We would like to extend my gratitude to you and the entire staff for your tireless efforts in organizing such a memorable event. Events like these not only celebrate the students' talents but also foster a sense of community within the school.

Once again, thank you for providing us with an evening filled with entertainment, laughter, and pride. We are truly impressed and look forward to more such wonderful events in the future.

Best regards,

On behalf of Tiara's Parents &

Grand Parents

Grade- 3A

To: Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Fri 8/25/2023 7:31 AM

Respected Mam, Good morning!!

The event was really good.

Kids performances were super. Thanks to all the precious teachers for making the event successful.

Regards

Debadrata Bala

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Fri 8/25/2023 2:38 PM

Respected madam

I am taking pleasure to say that Annual day 2023-24 has achieved a grand success. Hearty congratulations to you and the whole PSBS family on that. It was an amazing experience and a very heart touching theme to conserve the Kaveri river. It showcased excellent performances - amazing singing by choir and music by band, colourful and expressive dance forms and beautiful depictions by sand artists. All the shows were very well organised and well mentored by our co-curricular as well as curricular teachers who aided and helped the students in every possible way. Heartfelt thanks for the hard work done by Lokesh sir and James sir for preparing the wonderful choir and band and Meenakshi ma'am for her amazing choreography ( specially the Dashavatara dance, The Dharmapuri dance, Farmer dance etc). I also appreciate all the dedication and efforts our students have given in making the event successful. Congratulations to you, all CODs, HODs and all staff members of PSBS.

However, there is a small request from my side to allow more family members of students next time to witness and enjoy this magnificent event. Looking forward to many more grand events in near future.

Thank you,

Sumana Das.

( parent of Sanidhya Das from 7C )

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Wed 8/23/2023 12:31 PM

Respected Ma'am,

The Programme captioned KAVERI was very astounding. Thank you for your brain child and the students put up a great show, wishing the Presidency Group best wishes.

Regards

Sridevi Raj N

(Parent of Shriya .S of X A)

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Thu 8/24/2023 7:49 PM

Dear madam,

We would like to extend heartfelt gratitude for conducting a fantabulous Annual Day celebration event based on 'Kaveri'. We understand the great effort of all the teachers and especially their class teachers and dance co-ordinator who trained and involved all the students that went into organizing this mega event successfully. We couldn't see such an event elsewhere involving all the students of the class and it's truly appreciable for making it possible with utmost efforts.

Your commitment to providing a platform for our children to develop essential life skills to shine is truly commendable.

Thank you for the great support and providing a fruitful environment to our children.

Thanking You,

Shanmugapriya Kumar

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Thu 8/24/2023 2:29 PM

Respected Ma'am,

We hope this message finds you in good health & high spirits. We wanted to take a moment to express our sincere appreciation for the wonderful School Annual Day event (**Show 1**) that we all had the pleasure of attending. The event was truly remarkable, which showcased the skills of the young talents, especially the dedication of teachers and staff right from the captivating performances to the meticulously planned presentations, every aspect of the Annual Day left us in awe.

The theme on the water bodies to preserve & protect, reminded us of the profound impact they have on our lives and the importance of cherishing and protecting them.

It was a testament to the collective efforts of the entire school, we must commend all the students for their exceptional performances.

A special word of gratitude goes to our kid's class teacher of **Grade K2 -B** Ms. Dhamayanti ma'am & Ms. Priyadarshini ma'am. Once again, we would like to express our gratitude to the principal & school management without which this would have not reached the Success of the School Annual Day 2023.

Our best wishes - Thanks.

Yours sincerely

Mahesh.K

F/o. Diya Mahesh (Grade K2-B Section)

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Thu 8/24/2023 12:46 PM

Hello respected mam,

Myself, parent of sruja d from 8A, wanted to share my review/ feedback for Annual day show 2, dashawatar performance by 8A. First of all, congratulations for the successful execution for annual day.

All the programs were good,

The choreography was very nice for Dashawatar. Thank to Meenakshi Maam for such beautiful art work. Appreciate all the kids for the efforts.

No one is perfect in the world and so are we. It would be great if we take care of below points

1. Presentation day : it's good to have programs on weekends so that working parents can enjoy full programs.

2 Makeup, there is huge scope for improvement here u can check the Vishnu's makeup.

3 costume, when we are doing human pyramid or steps are performed, the costume for the step forming kids should be anti-skidding. Ignoring this might lead to bitter situation.

But overall, the program was good.

Thanks

Rujuta s Deshpande.

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Wed 8/23/2023 11:45 PM

Greetings !

Respected Ma'am

We would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for one and all at Presidency.

As always, all events are meticulously planned with your guidance. Special thanks to dance teachers Ms.Minakshi and Ms. Annapoorna for training the kids. Mysuru Dusshera, Dashavataram, Barathanatyam dance, and much more performances were mesmerizing. Sand art was commendable.

Thanks to all those who worked behind the stage.

Regards,

Srilakshmi

Dear Ma'am, Greetings of the Day!

First of all, I would like to congratulate & thank you for giving a lovely performance of our kids...

And this time everything was very well coordinated and I would like to add Minakshi ma'am has done a wonderful job.

Last year we were not able to make out where our kids were on stage but this time each kid was placed in such a way wherein we were able to see our kids well.

Once again, our heart-felt thanks for the awesome performance.

Thanks and regards,

Divya Manikanta

Parent of Ananta (7D) & Ananya (3B)

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Wed 8/23/2023 9:13 PM

Dear Maam

Greetings

This is a small token of appreciation as a parent. I have seen the programme, it was fabulous. I really want to thank each and everyone behind the scene who makes this event so graceful. And last but not the least I want to thank all the dance teachers for their patience and hard work.

With warm regards

Mahasweta Dash

Mother of Meghasree Dash (9D)

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Wed 8/23/2023 9:10 PM

Good evening Maam,

The show was really very good.. All the performances was superb. The costume was vibrant and so was the background. Special thanks to Meenakshi maam for choreographing the songs. Next time please ensure we can get their grandparents as well maam.

Thank you ma'am

Shilpa arvind

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Wed 8/23/2023 6:04 PM

Respected Ma'am

I hope this message finds you all in great spirits. As we basked in the afterglow of the wonderful Annual Day celebration, I wanted to take a moment to express my deepest appreciation for the unforgettable day we experienced.

The Team of Presidency School Bangalore South has never failed to keep up the standards and raise the expectation bar every year. The team has truly created the spark to look forward for the theme every year.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our esteemed teachers and staff who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make this event a grand success. Your dedication to nurturing our talents and fostering a supportive learning environment is truly commendable.

Let me not miss to mention the last few minutes of captivating experience of the musical evening. Awaiting for Swaranjali - 2.

May the school's journey flow like river Kaveri, uninterrupted, towards boundless success.

Regards

Priya Murali

Mother of

Varshini K : 9B & Harini K: 5D

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Wed 8/23/2023 12:48 PM

Dear Madam,

We would like to congratulate Team Presidency School Bangalore South for making a successful and impactful event of the Annual Day Function. We feel honoured to be part of this event. Tremendous efforts from the little students to the senior students, to all the teachers, staff members and coordinators. The show was grand, epic, joyous and memorable. All the performances culminating into one large band of talent was an absolute brilliant experience.

Thanking You,

Yours Sincerely,

Parents of Manoop Kumar Pradhan(VA) and Vedant Kumar Pradhan(K2 B)

Smruti Ranjan Pradhan

Suvaranka Chand

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Wed 8/23/2023 9:54 AM

Dear Ma'am,

We parents of Reyansh Naik K1A appreciate the efforts by Pritha and Priya ma'am to prepare kids for the stage performance, which is first for our kid in school life. Thanks for nice organisation and good discipline maintained.

Kindly extend our regards to both the ma'am's.

-Venkatesh and Shilpa Naik

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Wed 8/23/2023 8:30 AM

Respected Principal Mam ,

I would like to congratulate our principal mam , teachers, and all the staff who made this event a great success .. So good to see all the shining stars performing so gracefully and confidently in one frame.

I would like to personally thank to each and every members of PSBS who not only shows a great care and respect for the grandparents but also shows a supportive nature towards every parents and make this event a precious moment for all 🙏

Thanking you ,  
Fahmina Firoz

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Tue 8/22/2023 11:04 PM

Respected Ma'am,

I would also like to thank Priya Roshan Ma'am of grade 3 A, for her tremendous patience, not only with the kids but also parents in handling all the queries to satisfaction.

And for the wonderful way in which the students of her class gave today's performance. Commendable indeed.

Thank you,  
Veena Dhruva

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Tue 8/22/2023 8:34 PM  
Hello Maam,

The Annual day celebration at the school was freaking awesome. We enjoyed a lot by the performance of the little ones. It was well organised. The sand art is still mind blowing. Can't believe that the grade 3 kids can do this awesome work. And the girls who hosted the show with their magical voice is simply amazing. And the KG kids performance was really cute and so natural. The moment they projected the background video most of the kids turned back and started watching the video.. Still that looks so natural... As you rightly mentioned Maniratnam's PS is nothing when compared to this production,

And in one of the interview he also admitted the same that it's very difficult to produce something by organising the kids when he was shooting the film Anjali.

Thanks for inviting to this great event.  
Merci, Vaishnavi

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Tue 8/22/2023 9:50 PM

As always the show was really very good we all enjoyed watching our little ones... most inspiring was principal speech at the end regarding Katerina river... we all should take atleast 1step to save water in little things so that our kids will only be helpful... thank you so much ma'am for creating this awareness among all of us... surely we will save water....

Vidya Prasad

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Tue 8/22/2023 8:23 PM

Hi It's very nice...I ll be enjoy today show children are very cute....

Thank you all mam

Manjula Singaravelu

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Tue 8/22/2023 8:22 PM

Respected ma'am

It was well organised. All little ones gave their best. Themes were very good. We totally enjoyed all the events.

Your sincerely

Sanvi's mom

Sharin

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Tue 8/22/2023 7:09 PM

It was a great show. Your management and effort of the students looked amazing. I would like to congratulate and thank all the staff members, principal mam and lovely kids for a very delightful and wonderful experience.

Kavya Harsh

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Thu 8/24/2023 10:05 AM

I, parent Of Avani & Avika Taparia (Class 10B & 8D resp) would like to thank you for such a wonderful annual day program .. Loved all the performances . Would especially like to appreciate the efforts of Meenakshi Mam along with other choreographers they did beautiful choreographies specially Jalekattu , Dasavtar, Mysore Dassera hubba, Hogi Nikal falls dance , These were power pack performances ,enjoyed thoroughly .

Thank you so much.

Trapti Taparia

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Sun 8/27/2023 7:41 PM

Dear Madam,

The Annual Day was really good. All performances were appreciable and amazing. The performances were showing lot of hardwork and talent. Thanks for your support and providing such a great platform to all the students.

Thanks & Regards,

Vinod Chouhan

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvanewari - HOI

Wed 8/30/2023 11:09 AM

Sub : Annual Day

Good morning,

Myself Shilpa Sanjay Shintre. Mother of Gargee Sanjay Shintre of 11 D.

This is our first year in Presidency (New admission).

We thoroughly enjoyed the program. We liked the concept of the program. Nature is calling us for help. My personal opinion is that we should try all ways possible to save our Mother Nature. I appreciate all the efforts taken by all participants, teachers, and technicians.

Thank you for the wonderful program

Regards

Shilpa Shintre

To: Bhuvanewari - HOI

Wed 8/30/2023 11:11 AM

Respected ma'am,

I am Shilpa Gudi, mother of Atharv Gudi, class 1A.

Thank you so much for a wonderful celebration and letting us be a part of it. It makes me so happy to see that each and every student from every class participates in all the annual day activities.

Kudos to you and the entire Presidency team for coming up with such an important and essential message and theme based annual day. Thank you so much for creating awareness regarding "Mother Kaveri" and her importance in our lives. We are truly overwhelmed.

Hearty congratulations to the team for putting up a successful and an amazing show.

Regards

Shilpa Gudi

To: Bhuvanewari - HOI

Wed 8/30/2023 11:48 AM

Dear Madam,

At the outset, my congratulations to you and the entire fraternity of Presidency school for the apt theme chosen "The kaveri" and for the excellent organization of the Annual day programme. The programme portrayed the tremendous effort put in by the teachers of the school. This is a wonderful initiative by the School to create awareness of the problems in nature and how we need to save our earth. Appreciate the effort taken to make sure that all students participate in the event. Kindly convey our congratulations and appreciation to the dance teachers and music teachers of your institution. Sand art as usual was excellent and it is definitely a trademark of Presidency School Bangalore South. These kinds of programs will help the children to develop holistically. The events were executed in a professional manner. Once again congratulations and All the very best for your musical production. Thank you once again.

Deepthi Das and Satheesh. A. Kaimal (Parents of Sandeep S Kaimal -7 F)

Thanks & Regards,

Deepthi

To: Bhuvanewari - HOI

Wed 8/30/2023 8:47 AM

Wonderful 🙌 experience congratulations to presidency team 🙌

Shreya A

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

Respected Madam,

Thank you for giving us an opportunity to convey our feedback to you. The theme, the subject matter chosen was current, thought provoking and impactful. It articulated the harsh and the bitter truth. As parents and grandparents it made us think about the future generation, As you had conveyed through the admirable show, it reinforces the urgent need and the importance of interlinking rivers from the Ganges to the Kaveri. And it is the only solution, so that our future generations can live well.

The show produced under your able and effective leadership and by the most committed team of yours was mesmerizing, We could understand very well, madam, how much dedication and hard work have gone in to make it such a Grand Show. Considerable amount of commitment has been given by you all, to make it such a successful and greatest show that we ever saw.

The performance by children was marvelous, admirable and highly praiseworthy indeed. On that day we could fully understand what great teachers and mentors you all are, and how blessed our grandson Siddharth is to be studying in such a blessed school, under dedicated teachers and [mentors as](#) yourself and your team.

The impact of the great show on everyone was very powerful. Our respect for you and for all the members of your team has gone up several notches, and we thank you all gratefully. We admired the show and we send our love, blessings and admiration to all the children of your school, They are all born to be great persons, and all of them will bring great honours to their school, to their principal, to their Teachers and to their parents.

With Highest Regard.

V. R. Muralidharan, and Varalakshmi (grandparents)

ArasKumar and Mamtha (parents) Siddharth Aras 9th.(student)

To Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Wed 8/30/2023 1:03 PM

Good afternoon!! Maam

First, I would thank you, Priya, and Pritam for their hard work.

Kudos to all the little ones and the teachers for putting so much effort and bringing out this incredible show.

It is a great pleasure to tell you that the annual day event was very well organized and way beyond our expectations.

The whole experience was overwhelming. Also, I thank the principal, and management for putting in hard work and making the show a great success.

Special thanks to you for giving the kids so much love and warmth.

Mother of Nathasha, K-1

To: Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Wed 8/30/2023 12:06 PM

Respected Madam,

I parent of Sejal. M studying in 6th grade in your school really enjoyed all the programs, the theme you selected is really good. There were lots of messages about social causes.

Shailaja Madan

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Wed 8/30/2023 2:05 PM

Hi ma'am,

A fabulous team work bringing the best out of our wards and enriching us on the theme of the journey of Kaveri. The story telling taking us through the journey of the river across the states as different dance performance was awesome.

The sand art has always been a trademark of the performances across the years for PSBS. It would be great to have it as part of art or club activity for the students of this school. It stimulates creativity and agility in the young minds. Kudos to the team and thanks for providing us a visual delight!

Regards,

Ramya (Parent of Dhruv Krishnan, 6D and Pranav Krishnan, 6E)

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Wed 8/30/2023 2:46 PM

Respected Madam,  
Greetings!

First of all, we would like to thank you for the invitation to your school's annual day program. Our feedback is as follows:

In today's scenario, saving and preserving water is one of the most important topics. Rivers are the main source of water in India, especially when we talk about our own state, Karnataka. Kaveri is our lifeline; she is our mother. The selection of the annual day theme is very accurate in today's context.

This show reminds us that it is high time we should take oaths to save water and rivers.

The overall performance of the show was good. All the students performed well. This time only the missing part was the student's energy during the dance performance; however, the higher-class students' performances were very well managed. Sand art and video clipping were nice.

As you declared that next year's theme will be music, we would like to see one of the distinct social issues and its probable solution through your production.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Surajit Talukdar & Pritha Talukdar (Parents of Sampriti Talukdar 9B)

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Wed 8/30/2023 4:05 PM

It was a very very nice function was very well organised. Kids performed really beautifully and confidently.

Samreen Madeen

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Wed 8/30/2023 6:16 PM

Thanks to Presidency school teachers and children to show such beautiful performances representing importance of rivers. This all leads to solve the water crisis PAN India.

Thanks to all.

Priyanka Samal

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Thu 8/31/2023 9:00 AM  
Dear Principal Mam

I wanted to thank you for taking up "River Preservation" as the theme for the Annual Production and would like to congratulate the entire production team for putting together a wonderful show. Besides providing an avenue for showcasing their extra-curricular skills, the show also provided a vital message on the importance of preserving our natural resources. While most of us focus on personal development, we tend to ignore the damage which is being caused by the various developmental projects. I sincerely appreciate your initiative in spreading the message that we cannot have sustainable prosperity at the cost of our rivers, flora and fauna.

I have started talking about the river linking initiative in my personal circles and will continue to raise awareness about this absolutely essential project.

Thank you once again for spreading awareness on such an important existential issue.

Regards

Srivatsa Kalala  
P/O Nithya Kalala (5 B)  
Pragya Kalala (2 C)

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Mon 8/28/2023 7:44 PM  
Respected Principal ma'am,  
Greetings!

Thank you so much for inviting the parents for Annual day "Kaveri". The show was spectacular.

Congratulations to you ma'am for the success of the Annual Day event theme "Kaveri"

Thank you ma'am

Regards

Suguna and Naveen, Parent of Abhijna K1

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Tue 8/22/2023 10:30 PM  
Respected Ma'am

We would like to congratulate and thank all the teachers, non-teaching staff and the students for making the annual day a grand success. All the performances were fabulous especially the regional dance forms. All the kids performed gracefully and confidently on stage. Hats off to Minakshi ma'am and Annapurna ma'am for all their efforts. They had beautifully choreographed all the dances. The whole experience was overwhelming. We really enjoyed and had a fantastic time.

Thanks and Regards,

Aswathy Vijayan, Parent of Akshara Arun (3-A)

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Wed 8/30/2023 6:29 PM

Hi Maam

I am father of my ward studying 7th in your school. I stayed all the event long & it is well appreciated. I liked the organizers thought & the sequence roll kids did well & appreciate your team especially the choreography team for marvellous work.

I have few suggestions :

1. Can you include a performance from staff & teachers. It will be encouraging to kids.
2. I would please suggest you few themes to consider

- A. Heritage of India - cultures
- B. History of India - skits dances etc
- C. Karnataka culture - district wise
- D. Save the climate & pollution
- E. Save wild life
- F. Forest legacy of India
- G. Ayurveda
- H. Advancement of music
- I. The science concept
- J languages in India
- K Indian states
- L. Freedom fighters in India
- M. Nobel prize winners of the World
- N. Dance forms of the world
- O Indian dance forms
- P cultural arts of India
- Q. Talents of world
- R. Technology & advancement - can show how Technology evolved
- S. Planets & stars - the space mission of India
- T. Indian defense - army navy airforce

3. Songs & singing sequences, fashion show, mime, magic & skits inclusion to make it more arts to be shown on concept apart from dance alone.

Regards

Prem F/ Sai Hansitha 7c

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
Wed 8/30/2023 10:41 AM

Hi Ma'am,

My heartfelt wishes and appreciation to your Production. It was really wonderful and mesmerizing to watch. The way you designed the show was amazing.

I appreciate the message you conveyed through your Production to save nature and water. Great initiative and effective speech by the Principal for inter-linking the rivers to solve water crisis in the Nation.

My best wishes to Presidency group for the success in all your endeavors.

Best,

Viduthalai. R. K. M/O. Iniya. V. J. (11-B)

## ANNUAL DAY FEEDBACK

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
 Wed 8/30/2023 6:42 PM  
 Good evening ma'am,  
 Dear Principal ma'am,

I hope this message finds you well. I wanted to express my heartfelt appreciation for the exceptional Annual Day celebration that took place recently. The decision to focus on the theme of Kaveri water was both timely and enlightening.

The way the event seamlessly weaved together educational insights, cultural performances, and a sense of environmental awareness was truly commendable. It was not only an entertaining evening but also an opportunity for all of us to learn more about the significance of Kaveri water in our lives, ecosystems, and traditions.

The speakers' presentations were informative and thought-provoking, shedding light on the current challenges and efforts to manage and conserve this vital water resource. The cultural performances, whether dance, music, effectively conveyed the cultural importance of the river, connecting us with our heritage and instilling a sense of responsibility for its preservation.

I also want to extend . It's not easy to strike a balance between entertainment and education, but you managed to do so brilliantly.

I came away from the event with a deeper understanding of the Kaveri river's role in our lives and a renewed commitment to contributing towards its sustainability. Thank you for creating an Annual Day celebration that went beyond entertainment and left a lasting impact on all of us.

Looking forward to more such insightful events in the future.

I am the parent of 1D Sarah and Sameed from 4B , I am really happy with their studies here in Presidency. I am really happy that I got an opportunity to write this letter to you ma'am, thank you so much for your support 🙏 , I am really happy to work under you ma'am , you are such a great leader 😊

Once again thank you so much.  
 Warm regards,  
 Afra

To: Bhuvaneswari - HOI  
 Tue 8/29/2023 10:13 PM

Dear Ma'am,

Hope this email finds you well!!

The Kaveri -Annual day was organised so well just like every other year. Kudos to the entire team for their efforts in planning and executing this event. We understand the efforts that has gone into planning each and every aspect of the event. Children's performances were enthralling. The theme, songs, dance choreography everything was excellent.

Thank you for your guidance and support ma'am without which this wouldn't be possible.

Regards

Lakshmi Iyer (Mother of Akshay Rajesh)

## Founder's Day

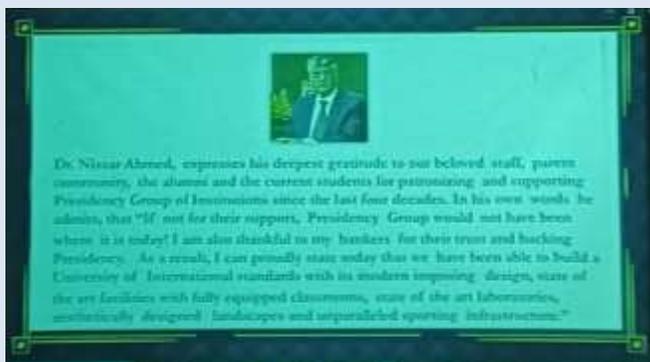


Late Mr. Abdul Hameed (1941 – 1980)

Today is a Special day in the Calendar of Presidency,  
as we commemorate our Founder.  
We deem it a great privilege to be talking about our beloved founder,  
the Late Mr. Abdul Hameed.

*"At times, our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person."*

There are some people who have left their footprints in the sands of time and to this end, the Principal, staff and students of Presidency School Bangalore South came together in solidarity on Friday, 1 Sep 2023 to observe Founder's Day - an odyssey that began years ago in Nandini Layout, Bangalore - just humble beginnings with 4 students which has now branched out and stands unshakable and tall to weather the storms. All alike reminisced on the vision of Dr. Nissar Ahmed to create an institution that would contribute to building innovative minds, shaping citizens of tomorrow and fostering an environment to learn and grow. Each of us at PSBS had a deep sense of gratitude for those who have lighted the flame within us.



## CABINET FEEDBACK- FOUNDER'S DAY

Dr. Nissar Ahmed is a real inspiration. He has set a standard and is a great example of a leader. His sacrifices, determination and commitment to achieve his goals is truly inspiring. Something important that I learnt is to never give up. He has faced multiple obstacles in his life and yet, he continues to be the best in his field and has brought presidency group of schools to a whole another level. I also admired his leadership skills and how someone who started with only dreams turned the tables around made them into reality. I appreciate his honesty, humbleness and his willingness to have many students work towards the school's objective : gain more knowledge, reach greater heights.

Shravya N- School Head Girl

My first and most important takeaway I'd say, was the fact that the entire group runs on loyalty and proper HR management. Every single person, well, almost every single person in PGI has been loyal to it, which I believe is because the management treats everyone with respect. So this loyalty is something that deserves attention. Secondly, I noticed that PGI has come from one small school to a big chain without any political support or a strong financial background. I'd say that the fact that this was achieved while paying for all the expenses on time also certainly receives attention. A few other takeaways also include that regardless of the financial or community background that our chairperson has come from, the organisation and management of finance was done brilliantly. One other takeaway is that I noticed that PGI treats every single teacher with utmost respect, which ensures that teachers too have a happy career at the school, which in turn increases the quality of education.

**Pranav Hemachandra- School Vice Captain**

Dr. Nissar Ahmed has truly lit a trailblazing path for all those who aspire to achieve their goals through passion, dedication and hard work. Through this session I have learnt the importance of dedication towards your goals through the utmost difficulties and truly appreciate the hard work that made the Presidency Group of Institutions what it is today and hope to one day attain such success myself. As a leader, the session taught me the value of appreciation and the importance of modesty and humility in oneself. The session has truly inspired me and I'm glad that I had the opportunity to learn more about our respected Chairman.

**Maalavika L- School Vice Captain**

## CABINET FEEDBACK- FOUNDER'S DAY

The session was a great learning experience through examples of the Honourable chairman and his experiences. We learnt different real time experiences that the teachers and the other staff experienced and were able to learn about the values that we as leaders of the future should hold onto. Some of our key takeaways were Superiority and power doesn't provide us the license to lose sense of values and morals that a person encompasses. The Qualities we should take up as leaders such as being approachable, open to constructive criticism, time management, respect, ethics and morals that should not be lost.

**Pranav Nair- Cultural Secretary**

We are grateful for being taught of the glorious past of our school and the hard work it has taken to achieve such immense success. I learnt how we need to correctly value and invest our money and time and the fact that living success in any field, requires extraordinary dedication as that of our Chairman sir. The session was Inspiring!

**Aryan Mishra- Student Editor in Chief**

Our dear chairman has come to this level only due to his determination and hardworking nature. Sir has set a standard to this esteemed institution. Sir's commitment to get a task done no matter what, really inspired us. I would love to thank our dear principal ma'am who took the initiative of making us aware of all the achievements sir has done for the institution.

**Dhruva Srinivas-Sports captain Boy**

Learning about how our school originated was very inspiring and gave me a sense of pride being a leader in this school. Dr Nissar Ahmed's ancestor's and his efforts made our school what it is today. What I learnt from this case was that humility, gratitude and extreme hard work can take us many places.

**Anya Rao- Sports Vice Captain Girl**

Learning how our school was originated and the hard work which was put it , it teaches me to never give up. Also if you are passionate you can achieve anything you want until and unless you work hard for it and I liked the way how Dr. Nissar Ahmed sir respects all the teachers and always prioritizes them first .I am so grateful that all the teachers work so hard to educate the students so they can become better leaders in the future.

**Aakanksha Kadoor Bhat- Sports Captain**

## CABINET FEEDBACK- FOUNDER'S DAY

Our Chairman was an exceptional entrepreneur. From where he was, people did not accept successful people quickly. I have learnt from this session that in order to be successful one needs to be willing to take risks. Our Chairman took the risk by taking loans from his bankers and because of the risks he has taken our School reached new scopes of height. Also the memories Principal ma'am shared with our cabinet was filled with humorous anecdotes.

I also learnt from principal ma'am that one should be humble and kind to everyone including parents and teachers.

### **Yuvraj Saini- House Captain Boy- Curie House**

- My take away from today's session was
- 1) Hard work and determination always pays off , so work hard towards your dreams no matter what challenges await you .
- 2)We all have dreams. But in order to make dreams come into reality, it takes an awful lot of determination, dedication, self-discipline, and effort.

### **Tejaswini Krishna- House Captain Girl- Curie House**

Dr. Nissar Ahmed has done exemplary work in making a difference not only by changing the educational skyline of Karnataka within a short span of time, but also through his valuable contributions to developing Indian educational system, social services. An Important Takeaway from the session that how humble and respectful or chairman is he was determined and inspired me to be a leader and and respect everyone no matter the age Dr. Nissar Ahmed sounded like a wonderful person and I hope I get to meet him in person His never giving up personality really is something . Dr. Nissar Ahmed, thank you for your efforts. This session was inspiring!!! I have taken a lot away.

### **Subhashini - Vice Captain Girl - Curie House**

As students of Presidency School Bangalore South, we learn a lot from Mr. Chairman. Dr. Ahmed's dedication to nurturing young minds, fostering creativity, and instilling values is evident in the school's achievements and the well-rounded education it offers. His accessible and approachable demeanor fosters a positive atmosphere for both students and staff. several of the experiences told by principal ma'am as well as the various teachers left a long lasting impact on us and I'm very sure that everyone in the room felt a huge sense of gratitude for Ahmed sir. His leadership continues to inspire and foster future generations and we can only hope to be as good as a leader as him. **Atharva Prabhu - House Captain Boy- Pele House**

## CABINET FEEDBACK- FOUNDER'S DAY

The main takeaway for me was how, although Dr. Nisaar Ahmed has achieved so much in his life and has reached a high position and gained recognition, he is still very grateful to the people who helped him and supported him and is very humble to every teacher or worker who was part of the Presidency Institution. Another point would be how he overcame all challenges he faced while opening an education institution, which was not something easy at that time. He respected everyone, no matter who they were or what their position was, which is something everyone must learn to achieve.

**Ayushi Dutta - House Captain Girl- Pele House**

We have a deep appreciation for Mr. Chairman, Dr. Ahmed, and the positive impact he has had on our school community. His dedication to nurturing young minds and fostering creativity, as well as his approachable demeanor, seem to have left a lasting impression on both students and staff. It's wonderful to hear about the positive atmosphere he has created and how his leadership continues to inspire future generations.

**Sonit Karnad-House Captain Boy- Tagore House**

I learnt that a person needs to be passionate about his/her work. The financial conditions does not matter if you really want to achieve something in life.

**Sanya- Captain Girl- Tagore House**

While I learnt a lot about our respected Chairman Sir through this session, my main takeaway was how reaching the pinnacle of success for anyone is inevitably backed up by years of hard work, passion and dedication to the project or mission.

It also taught me how the power of modesty and respect towards everyone ultimately is the greatest skill for a leader and how appreciating those who help you achieve your goals in life will ultimately help your success story in the long run. I was very glad to be part of the session and am glad to understand, know and appreciate Presidency School's very own success story.

**Disha Balaraj -Vice Captain Girl-Tagore House**

## CABINET FEEDBACK- FOUNDER'S DAY

I truly appreciate our Principal Maam for showing the Founder's Day video. I saw the struggles our Founder and Chairman faced during his early days. It is his hardwork which has led the Presidency Group of Schools to become so prestigious and popular. If you work hard with passion and dedication your dream will become a reality. The taste of success is sweet.

**Abir Khan- Vice Captain Boy- Tagore House**

Our chairman Dr.Nissar Ahmed has set an amazing example for the students across all the branches of Presidency. Sir's journey and determination has inspired us all. We certainly have learnt about how humble, kind, honest and ground to earth he is. I would like to thank Principal ma'am who took the time to talk to us about our hardworking chairman.

**Ridhima Baliga- House Captain Girl-Da Vinci**

The session with Principal ma'am helped us gain an insight into the leadership behind the Presidency group of institutions. Maam inspired us with tales and instances of chairman Dr. Nissar Ahmed and his uncle Mr. Abdul Hameed. It gave us an understanding of how important human resource management is to an organisation and how to treat others well and with due consideration. The idea of recognising the efforts and persistence of the people who started this group of schools that educates us, was well conveyed through the video.

**Abhinav Jain- Vice Captain Boy- Da Vinci House**

I appreciate it, Principal Ma'am, for calling us and showing us the Founder's Day video. One of my most important takeaways would be his determination for his project and how he worked hard to do it. I learned a lot of different experiences from this video, learning about our school – so small and grown so big in all ways – in such a great way. His self-discipline, effort, and dedication to his project were really good and inspired me a lot. The session was a great learning experience for me, and I was able to learn the value of leaders.

**Parth Kathale- Vice Captain Boy- Pele House**

## Teachers Day



**"Those who teach change the world over and over again!"**

"Teachers' Day at Presidency School Bangalore South was celebrated with great enthusiasm, recognizing and appreciating the invaluable contribution of teachers in the field of education. The occasion was marked with a variety of activities that highlighted the unique bond between teachers and students. Students organized a series of cultural programs, including skits, dance performances, and musical renditions, all of which beautifully reflected the profound impact of teachers on their lives. To express their gratitude and affection, students distributed special 'Appreciation Cards' among the teachers, revealing the deep respect they hold for their mentors. The celebration concluded on a high note with the Principal's speech, acknowledging the unwavering dedication of the teachers and the efforts made by students to successfully organize the event. Laughter, shared stories, and mutual appreciation filled the air, creating a joyful ambience that echoed throughout the school. The school management hosted a wonderful spread of lunch to celebrate and appreciate the mentors who tirelessly illuminate our paths towards greater knowledge and wisdom. The day did make the teachers feel very special.



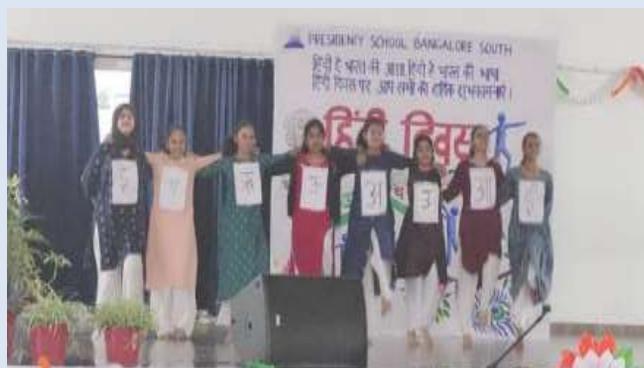
## Hindi Divas



*“Hindi is the simplest source of expression of our nation – freedom can be felt in it.”*

Hindi Diwas was celebrated at Presidency School Bangalore South on 14 Sep 2023, commemorating the adoption of Hindi as one of India’s official languages. A beautiful song “Hindi Bhasha Desh ki Bhasha” with musical instruments, a dance performance glorifying the language and a powerful drama with the message “Save Nature for Future” were a few delights for the eye and ear alike. Our Principal threw light on the importance of learning languages, which speaks volumes of our cultural heritage. Various competitions were conducted, and the winners were awarded with certificates. It was indeed and great way to celebrate the cultural heritage associated with the Hindi language.

May Hindi resonate in our hearts and minds!



# Darpan – Kindergarten Theme Presentation



The Kindergarteners of Presidency School Bangalore South have successfully concluded their first semester, marking a significant milestone in their early education journey. "Darpan - Reflection of Learning", was conducted to celebrate their progress and showcase their newfound knowledge, creativity, and talent. The young learners exhibited various models and shared their learnings with their proud parents and teachers.



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# Darpan – Kindergarten Theme Presentation



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## Darpan – Kindergarten Theme Presentation parent feedback

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Fri 10/13/2023 6:35 PM

Respected madam,

I am parent of Swarashree, K2A.

We were delighted with today's theme presentation , children's performances was way above our expectations.

Special kudos to kids for there presentation and Teachers for patiently teaching them.

Thanks for organising this event.

We hope to see much more events like this from school.

Regards,

Roopashree

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Fri 10/13/2023 4:49 PM

Dear Mam,

Darpan was organized very well. I must say we were amazed to see the improvement in students with respect to their presentation skills. Class teachers have done a great job in preparing students to present and also making the whole ambience very colourful, lively and enjoyable to interact with.

Kudos to the entire teaching and non teaching staff.

Warm regards,

Roshini Sreejith

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Fri 10/13/2023 3:27 PM

Thanks for the wonderful arranged event.

Regards,

Sravanthi

To:Bhuvaneswari - HOI

Sat 10/14/2023 3:53 PM

Hi Maam,

I had never expected and experienced such a nice event ever in my life. Engaging little kids with the educational theme was really awesome. We all were surprised to see the kids with their topic items sitting and enjoying the event. This was a reall thoughtful event which was organised by everyone. Teachers, organisers everyone has so much of patience to handle such event with little kids.

Regards

Sanav 's mother (k1)

Mimi ghosh

## Darpan – Kindergarten Theme Presentation parent feedback

To: Bhuvaneshwari - HOI

Cc: Vanishree Iyer - COD KG / Sp Educator;

Mon 10/16/2023 8:39 AM

Dear Ma'am,

### Communication from Curriculum Early Years Team:

Greetings from the curriculum team's early years!

We hope this email finds you well. We wanted to express our heartfelt appreciation for the remarkable learning walk presented by the students of Presidency School Bangalore South, Kindergarteners. It was truly a delightful experience.

Each student displayed an impressive level of confidence while explaining their topics.

What stood out even more was their ability to respond effectively to the insightful and sometimes tricky questions posed by the audience. It's evident that they have not only learned the concepts but also have understood them in depth.

The entire learning experience was wonderful and clearly a testament to the dedication and hard work of both the students and the educators at Presidency School Bangalore South. It's initiatives like these that make education memorable and impactful.

We, the Curriculum Early Years Team, extend our heartfelt gratitude for inviting us to be a part of this awesome experience. We are truly impressed by the enthusiasm and knowledge exhibited by the students. Please convey our appreciation to all those involved in organizing this event.

Furthermore, we're sharing a small video snippet with this email to capture a glimpse of the fantastic presentation created by Ms. Atoshi.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to witness the fantastic theme culmination - "Darpan." We look forward to future collaborations and more opportunities to engage with students.



Ms. Anindita Corderio  
Trainee Vice-Principal



Students are our treasure and investing time and effort for their development and happiness is paramount. The academic year 2023-24 witnessed a large number of activities, events and competitions; and there are many more queued up for the rest of the year.

Here is an insight to how activities involving various faculties of a student develops varied skill sets, which are useful in lifelong learning. Studies apart and rigorous academic work, these activities enriches life and the faculties developed can be used to present perspectives of a concept. It builds confidence, encourage students to express themselves and brings in more variety and colour throughout the academic year.

The students received an opportunity to participate in the Annual Day, one of our mega events. The theme communicated greatly towards conservation of nature and the life giving river Kaveri. The sequence of dance and theatre were performed eloquently with fluid movements accompanied with traditional music. Dance is not only a physical activity it becomes a social activity when performed for a live audience. Our students have regularly represented the school in multitude of events inside and outside the school.

The commerce department COFEE (Commerce for Emerging Entrepreneurs) is a unique collaborative event, entirely planned and executed by our higher secondary students. They host competitions based on trading, business and entrepreneurship enabling us to bring in the new dimensions as required by CBSE new education policy.

On World Music Day, musical experts from Carnatic Gurukulam Music Academy performed live for our students while explaining the nuances and benefit of learning music. The club activities likewise have evolved further with experts teaching flute and violin.

Our traditional events like Illuminance, special assemblies, house assemblies continue to involve students and feed to maintain a sustainable learning environment.

We are using a lot of technology, which was forced by extreme circumstances and now we have leveraged on the transformative power of the tools available to us.

The bonanza of all these events are received in the form of many winnings, which gives us a sense of satisfaction and achievement. At PSBS we will continue to reimagine and reinvent the ways in which students get opportunities to express and excel themselves.



## SQAA – School Quality Assurance & Assessment Workshop



*“The Whole Purpose of Education is to Turn Mirrors into Windows.”*

The first meeting of SQAFF was conducted by our Principal Ms. J. Bhuvanewari on 28 September 2023 with 22 committee members attending the same. With the possibilities that there could be an accreditation for SQAAF in the future, the members were briefed about the 7 domains and the broad areas of school functioning as per the guidelines of SQAA. Teachers were grouped into those 7 domains to brainstorm and devise a suggestive self- improvement plan to help the school grow in the various domains.



## Field Trip K.K. Plastic Factory



### *“An investment in Knowledge pays the best interest” - Grade 9 Field Trip*

The Biology Department of Presidency School Bangalore South organised a field trip for 156 students of Grade IX, to K.K. Plastic Factory (recycle plastic into polyblend to make roads) on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of June 2023. Students learned that management and segregation of plastic wastes could solve 90% of the problem the environment is facing. They witnessed the use of waste plastics and learned to introspect on the new learning process. The Director of the industry interacted with the students and shared his journey with K.K.Plastics. Inspired by their experience, students applied their knowledge and wrote a field trip report, suggesting innovative ways to minimize the use of plastics and promote responsible waste management practices.



## Field Trip Institute of Wood Science

The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step!



Presidency School Bangalore South always believes in enhancing the knowledge of students by way of field trips and study tours, with an aim to help students discover their interests. In a similar quest, PSBS took the students of Grade 11 Science Stream to the Institute of Wood Science on Wednesday, 21 June 2023. Students had the opportunity to visit the sprawling campus and had hands on experience with the instruments used. They visited the research labs and interacted with the researchers to gain knowledge of their work. This experience was a good beginning with a single step in the journey of a thousand miles.



## Field Trip 'Charlie's Animal Rescue Centre'



*"Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened!"*

Grade VI students at Presidency School Bangalore South embarked on a meaningful field trip to 'Charlie's Animal Rescue Centre' in Bangalore. The primary objective of this trip was to educate students about the diverse needs of animals and to inspire them to consider animal adoption as a responsible choice. During their visit, the students interacted with the dedicated caretakers at the centre. These caretakers passionately explained why adopting animals is far more important than buying them, emphasizing the importance of providing loving homes to animals in need. The students' excitement was palpable, particularly when they encountered the animals at the centre, with turtles being a particular attraction. Some of the students even brought treats for the animals, which they joyfully donated to the caretakers. As a part of their educational experience, students were provided with a book and a brochure detailing pet care, further reinforcing the importance of responsible pet ownership. Throughout the visit, students came to understand that all animals deserve a life free of cruelty and suffering, and they learned to empathize with these animals.



## Field Trip Lalbagh Botanical Gardens



*“Enjoyment is an incredible energizer to the Human Spirit!”*

July 14th witnessed bright, clear skies and a pleasant wind- an ideal climate for a group excursion to the park. It was a pleasant surprise to discover such nice weather after an otherwise stormy week. On this day, the students of Grades 3 and 4 set out to visit 'The Lalbagh Botanical Gardens'- a sprawling 240 acres in all shades of green, located in the heart of Bangalore city.

This garden is an internationally renowned center for the scientific study and conservation of plants and botanical artwork, possessing nearly 1854 species of plants. The students were determined to explore every corner of it before the excursion ended. The 225 students and 16 teachers proceeded to stroll around the general area of the garden. Here they saw multiple variants of trees, some of them a few hundred years old. The trees had been carved into interesting shapes. A majestic Buddha in green radiated peace and serenity. The children studiously noted down names of different interesting flora, determined to look up more information about them later.



## Field Trip Cubbon Park -Bal Bhavan



*“An everlasting journey, designed beyond just amazing learning experience with the outside world making it more tangible and memorable.”*

Grade 1 & 2 students visited Cubbon Park -Bal Bhavan, which is a recreational centre for children. The park holds a variety of slides, swings, with many life size figures of animals. Among all the rides the special attraction was the Puttani express (toy train) which took kids on a joyride around the park. The park featured multiple play areas with slides, swings, merry-go-rounds, and monkey ladders, keeping kids active and engaged.

Students relished their time, enjoying lunch with friends in the shade of trees, leaving a lasting impression on their hearts.



## Field Trip to Visvesvaraya Museum



*"It is not knowledge, but the act of learning, not possession but the act of getting there, which grants the greatest enjoyment!"*

Students of Grade 5 were taken on a field trip to Visvesvaraya Museum to get a glimpse of the country's technological development history. The museum houses a treasure trove of machines and artefacts related to science and technology, a great place for children to develop a love for science.

Students visited exhibits of Engines, Electricity, Fun Science, Space, Biotechnology & Electronics. Other attractions included animated dinosaurs, a life-size model of the Wright Brothers' flyer, and a Steam locomotive. Educational shows, such as 'Science on a Sphere,' 'Tara Mandal,' '3D film show,' and 'Science Show,' sparked a keen interest in science among the students.

The recent addition of the 'Science for Kids' gallery provided an opportunity for hands-on learning and interactive science exploration. This experience extended beyond the school premises, offering practical and direct learning that enhanced the overall enjoyment of the students.



## Field Trip to Visvesvaraya Museum



*"Museums are places to search for beauty, truth and meaning in one's life."*

The students of Grade 7 were taken on a one-day field trip to Vishvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum on 4 Aug 2023 aimed at enhancing experiential learning. Students enjoyed the Dinosaur corner which is a replica of the Wright Brothers Flyer Kitty Hawk. Students also has an opportunity to witness the Science Show Hall, a 3D theatre, a Telemedicine Facility and a 11 Celestron Telescope. Beyond these engaging activities, students were immersed in a World of Science as they were mesmerized by the various gallery exhibits.



## Field Trip to Vidhan Soudha



*"A student of life considers the world a classroom."*

Students of Grade 8 of Presidency School Bangalore South visited the Vidhana Soudha on 9 August 2023, the largest legislative building in India. Students appreciated the architecture of the Neo Dravidian era and were amazed at its grandeur. They were briefed about the roles of the various Members of the legislative assembly and council and gained insight about the sessions of the Vidhana Sabha and Vidhana Parishad. The visit served as a motivation for those who dreamt to become future leaders.



## House Assemblies



*Unity does not mean sameness. It means oneness of purpose!*

In an effort to bring in the team spirit and cooperation among the students of the four houses, PSBS conducted house assembly on the theme of 'Overcoming Challenges and Building Resilience'. The four houses brought out the essence of the theme through charts and speeches enthralling the students and encouraging them to stay true to their core values.



# Assemblies

World Environment Day



The World Environment Day, The World Ozone day, The World Ocean day



World No Tobacco Day



Awareness and Acceptance of the Differently abled.



Cyber Bullying Safety and Prevention



World Music Day



The World Ocean Day



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World Doctors day



Say No to Pollution



Intolerance - A Social Evil



Importance of Physical Activities



Health and Hygiene



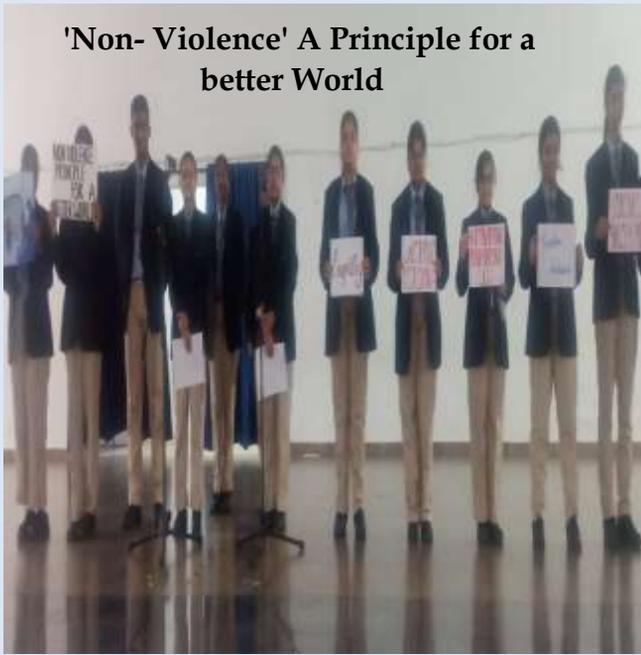
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# Assemblies

### 'Non- Violence' A Principle for a better World



### Climate Change and Us



### Mountains - Our Natural Asset



### Know the Hazards of E-Waste



### Racism- Nelson Mandela International Day



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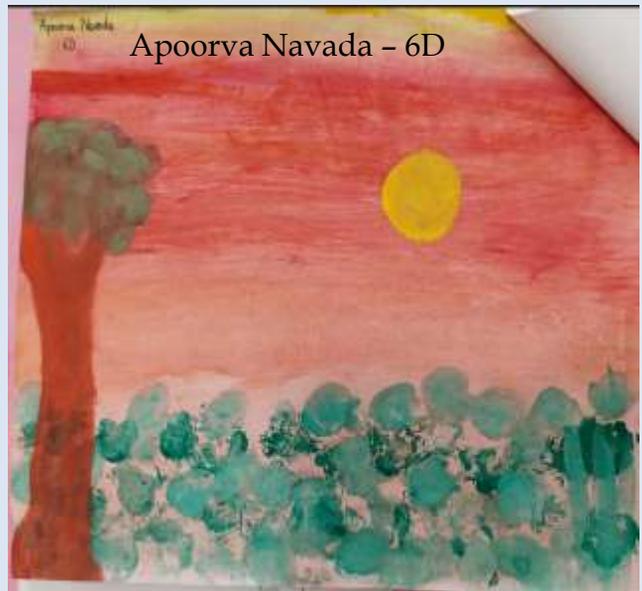
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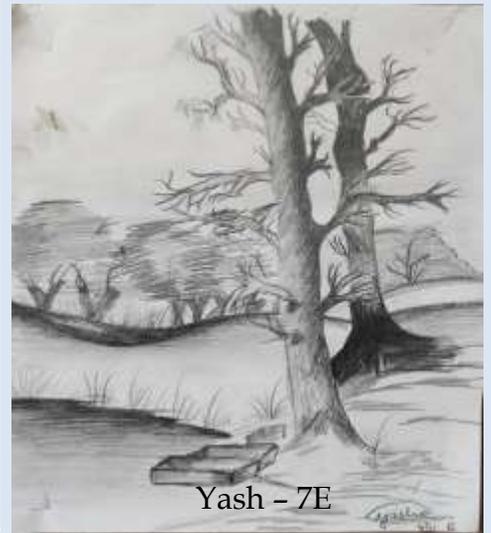
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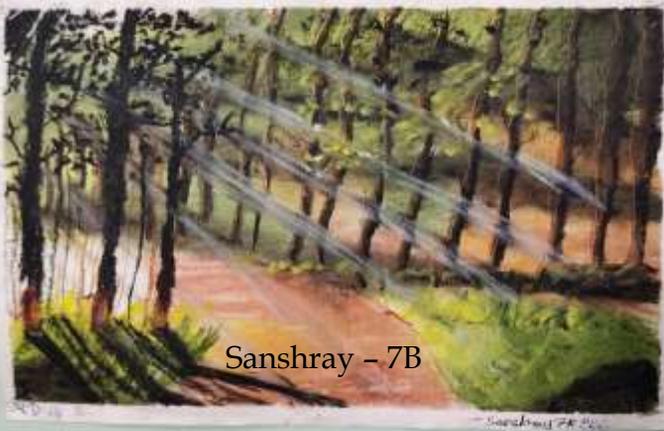
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# KINDERGARTEN International Yoga Day



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### Eric Carle's birthday celebrations



PSBS Early years had Eric Carle's birthday celebrations on 26.6.2023. A puppet show was organised for the children based on the story "Today is Monday". Children were told to get their favourite food throughout the last week to integrate the theme of the story which educates about the days of the week and the names of different food. Children also read stories of Eric Carle which they enjoyed and had fun. They also made different craft activities like caterpillar, ladybug and firefly which they took home as part of the celebration.



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### Mother Nature



K2-B class assembly was held on 30th of June, 2023. The theme was Mother Nature, the personification of nature which is focused on the life-giving and nurturing aspects of nature by embodying it in the form of the mother. Our children steered the event by their great enthusiasm and confidence.

Children put astounding powerful impact on this open platform of live presentation which was remarkable. The purpose of the assembly was to take action to safeguard the planet and its resources because all human activities have an impact on the existence of all living things. We can restore ecological balance and raise living standards by planting more trees to safeguard the planet. We can definitely save our Mother Nature and make it brighter if all of this collective work begins to take place.





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## International Tiger Day



*"The greatness of a nation can be judged by the way it's animals are treated"*

The early years of PSBS celebrated 'Global Tiger Day' on July 29 as a way to raise awareness about the magnificent but endangered big cat.

The celebration began with a speech by the teacher regarding the awareness of tiger extinction and the need to save them. On this occasion, the students of Pre - K to K2 classes actively participated in the events organized. They were shown a film by Mr. Nalla Muthu, ace wild life filmmaker about conservation of our national animal. A lovely song 'I am a Tiger Tobby' lifted the spirits of the children who sung along the foot tapping music. The importance and the need to save tigers were emphasized through a video.

While, Pre K children enjoyed hand printing activity, K1 students did a tiger stick puppet activity and K2 students loved designing a tiger face mask.



## KINDERGARTEN Friendship Day



Students of Kindergarten celebrated "Friendship Day Monthly activity" on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2023. The entire KG celebrated and participated in Friendship Day activities. The Teacher presented a PPT presentation and explained them the significance of Friendship Day with varied importance of friendship day through a small story narration where the children learn and understand the multiple ways through which they can express gratitude to their friends. The students had a blast putting on their dancing shoes and shaking a leg to the beats for a wonderful friendship song and sharing their favourite food during snack time, and followed by students making a friendship band and exchanging friendship bands with their friends. The day concluded with hugging their friends and handing over a card and a rose which they got from home as a small token of love for their friends.



# KINDERGARTEN

## Illuminance



'Illuminance' is a captivating intra-school competition specially curated for our kindergarten children. It blends scholastic and co-scholastic competitions to engage young minds in a holistic learning experience. From storytelling to painting, solving puzzles to singing, Word wiz to crafty cooking, 'Illuminance' empowers our little stars to shine academically and creatively, fostering a love for knowledge and a zest for discovery.



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# KINDERGARTEN Illuminance



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# KINDERGARTEN

## Independence Day celebration



On 11<sup>th</sup> August 2023, Students of Early Years of Presidency School Bangalore South celebrated 77<sup>th</sup> Independence day of India with great pomp and grandeur.

The day started with small PPT presentation, by the class teachers which enlightened the importance of Independence Day, the significance of our tricolor flag, sacrifices made by our great freedom fighters, and teachers spoke about Indian Armed Forces. Videos were shown on significance of Independence Day and Unity in diversity.

Our PRE-K children came dressed as Freedom Fighters of India depicting the theme and K1 children also pay their respect showcasing National Integrity by dressing up in attires of different states of India. The students of K2 delivered the speech for the theme Freedom – The Precious Jewel within the stipulated time given to them. Some students perfectly emoted their character to emerge as real.



## KINDERGARTEN

### Krishna Janmashtami celebrations



In the enchanting Krishna Janmashtami celebrations, the kindergarteners transformed into adorable Krishna and Radha avatars, bedecked in vibrant, traditional costumes. Their innocence and enthusiasm filled the air as they sang melodious Krishna bhajans, narrated delightful stories from Lord Krishna's life, and swayed to the enchanting tunes of His divine melodies. It was a day of joy, spirituality, and playful reverence, where the essence of Krishna's divine love and mischief danced through the hearts of these young Krishnas and Radhas.



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## Krishna Janmashtami celebrations



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# KINDERGARTEN Teachers Day



PSBS Kindergarten witnessed a heartwarming and joyous Teachers' Day celebration. The tiny tots, brimming with enthusiasm and admiration for their beloved teachers, left everyone in awe with their heartfelt efforts to make this day special. They made beautiful greetings cards for their teachers and expressed their heartfelt gratitude for them. The children did make earnest efforts to make their teachers feel special.



# KINDERGARTEN Teachers Day



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## Plant a Seed – Pre KG activity



Children of Pre- K had a great time and hands on experience by sowing seeds in school garden and giving life to a plant. The activity started with the importance of planting and saving trees being explained by the teacher briefly. The students gathered at school garden with the seeds they brought from home. Teacher had planned the event with all the necessary supplies like seed planters, gardening tools, and water can – children were told to use gardening tools like shovel, rake, fork to feel and explore the gardening technics and get to know sufficient aeration and sunlight is available for a seed to grow. They enjoyed the activity, and each child was enthusiastic and had a fun time.



# KINDERGARTEN Star of the week



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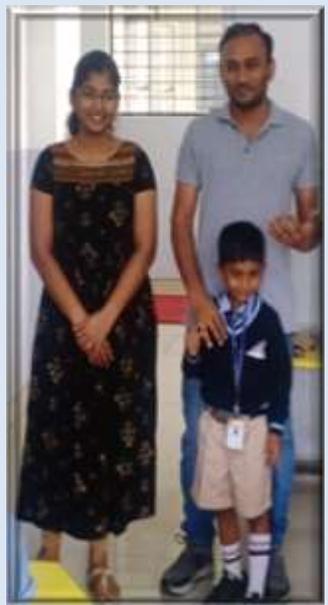
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# KINDERGARTEN Music



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# KINDERGARTEN Dance



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# KINDERGARTEN Fun with Fitness



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# KINDERGARTEN Assemblies



**Independence day - K 1**



**Gowri-Ganesha Celebration - Pre-K**



**Mother Nature - K2B**

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## CBSE WORKSHOPS



CBSE Workshop- Stress Management by Principal -Ms J Bhuvanewari on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023.



CBSE Workshop - NEP-2020 by Principal Ms. Bhuvanewari (Resource person) at New Learning Ladders International School

## CBSE WORKSHOPS

CBSE Centre of Excellence, Bangalore &  
Daffodils Foundation for Learning  
organized a Capacity Building Programme on  
**NEP - 2020** on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2023



Workshop conducted by Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari Principal/Director  
Presidency School Bangalore South in Daffodils Foundation For NEP 20



CBSE Workshop conducted by Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari Principal/Director  
Presidency School Bangalore South in the Alpine Public School  
Konnakunte Cross Bikasipura on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

## CBSE WORKSHOPS



**CBSE Workshop conducted by Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari Principal/Director Presidency School Bangalore South in the Jain Public School , Tumkur on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023.**

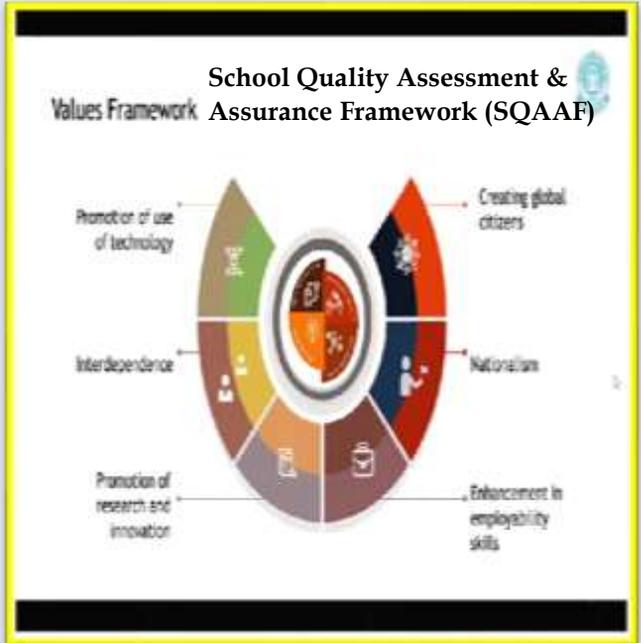


**CBSE Workshop - Art Integration conducted by Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari Principal/Director Presidency School Bangalore South in NPS , HSR Layout on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023.**

# CBSE WORKSHOPS



**CBSE - Capacity Building Program on Social Science**



**CBSE Workshop - Innovative Pedagogy in Science**



**Restorative Parenting by Ms. Aparna Sirurmath, a seasoned Trainer**



**CBSE - ENGLISH CORE SR. SECONDARY**



**The NEP (2020) stresses on the need of training, capacity building for educators- Math**

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## CBSE WORKSHOPS



**The 'Teaching and learning Political Science' workshop was conducted by Bangalore Sahodaya on Saturday, 19Aug, 2023. The resource faculty for the workshop were Ms. Neetu Gupta (Presidency School, Bangalore South) and Ms. Architha (Kumarans- CBSE).**



**The workshop on 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills and its implementation, Lesson planning and Teaching strategies was conducted by Bangalore Sahodaya on Saturday, 19Aug, 2023 at Freedom International School . The resource faculty for the workshop were Ms. Swetha & Ms. Sonya Singh. The workshop was attended by Ms. Shailaja, Ms. Kavita Chandak and Ms.Lavanya.**





## CBSE WORKSHOPS



**“Life does not get better by chance, it gets better by change”**

PSBS believes in incorporating changes which leads to a better tomorrow. Ms. Tamil Selvi, HOD of the Computer Science Department and Dr. Hannah Sampath, COD of the High School and Higher Secondary attended a workshop on “Raising Learners for India 2040,” an exclusive conclave conducted by the Bangalore Sahodaya Complex in association with The Karadi Path education Company at the Chancery Pavilion, Bengaluru on Oct 4, 2023 for Principals, Managements and Thought Leaders. Eminent speakers from across the country were invited to throw light on various topics ranging from ‘Skilling Gen Alpha for Workspace 2040: A Colloquy’, ‘From STEM to STREAM: The Artful Science of Learning - Colloquy,’ ‘Reimagining the English Classroom - Workshop,’ ‘AI and Chat GPT - Conversations with the Future’ and ‘Music as the Soul of Learning.’ It was a great platform to share challenges, discuss on curriculum design and paved way for insightful discussions, innovative ideas and thought provoking question which laid the foundations of learning how to learn.

## WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

**Ownership and Accountability workshop  
by Principal-Ms J Bhuvanewari**



**Grade 10 & 12 Board Result  
Analysis – Micro and Macro  
workshop by Principal  
– Ms J Bhuvanewari**



**Effective Communication  
by Dr. Hannah Sampath  
COD Sr. Secondary and High School**



**First-aid Needs in Schools by  
Dr. Anupam Jaiswal**



**Digital Pedagogy & Gamification using  
MS tools by Ms.Meenakshi Uberoi**



**IDE Bootcamp - MOE in collaboration  
with AICTE and Wadhvani group,  
Ministry of Education and AICTE**

## WORKSHOPS & TRAINING



**Importance of Discipline in a Student's Life.**

Ms. Radha Shankaranarayan, parent of Sreekrishnan, grade XII D student took a session on how discipline in one's life can pave the way for success.



**Guidelines to mandatory courses to file MIEE training by Ms. Tamil Selvi - HOD Computer Science and Ms. Anupama N - Faculty Computer Science**



**Unravelling The Scope In Humanities by Dr. A. Narayan - Professor, Azim Premji University.**



**Mr. Krishna C A - HOD of Math department has attended one hour webinar on the topic Exploring the Enigma of Pi**



**Restorative Parenting by Ms Aarti Ahuja, a seasoned Trainer**



**Assessment and Evaluation workshop at PSRTN**

# WORKSHOPS & TRAINING



Knowledge sharing session by Ms. Kavitha S, Math faculty



MDA workshop



Knowledge Sharing session by Ms. Damayanti Biswas, KG teacher



Knowledge sharing session by Ms. Pratibha Ravichandran, English faculty



Knowledge Sharing session by Ms. Kanchan, English faculty

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## WORKSHOPS & TRAINING



The Karadi Path- A workshop on the science of language learning and an introduction to Karadi Path was conducted by Mr. Kalpesh Bordawhekar for teachers on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023.



A team of Higher Secondary Teachers visited St. Paul's English School and conducted a career-counselling workshop on the prospects and openings in taking CBSE Science, Commerce and Humanities.

## WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

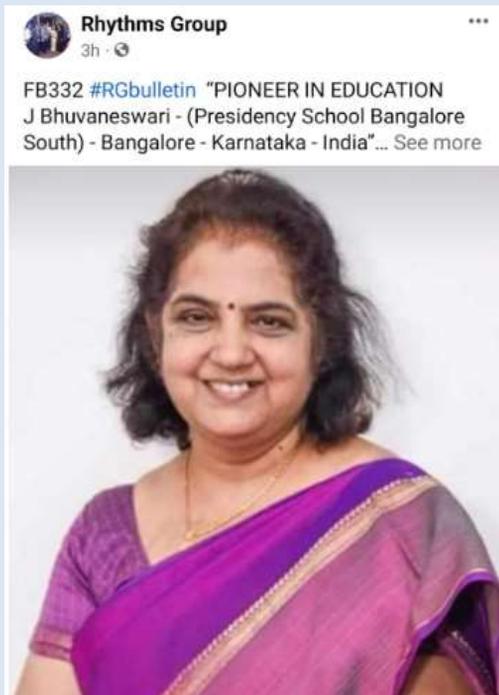


Mr. P Ramachandran, Siemens Healthineers, India as Head of Contract Administration for Imaging Business Area for Zone India, was invited to explain the origin of Cost Management and Accounting and enlighten the students on the ways to enroll for the degree and the syllabus that is covered under the programme.



Personality Development session for teachers of group schools. How do Heroes Realise their Heroism by prof K Ramnath Narayanswamy. Faculty of Flame University

## AWARDS



Dear J Bhuvaneshwari

Greetings from Rhythms Group...!!!

We have published your interview on our Facebook page & Instagram. Kindly click on below link to see the post.

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### Rhythms Group Interview

### The '50 Effective Principals – 2023' by Education Today.



**Principal Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari has been selected among the '50 Effective Principals – 2023' by the esteemed jury panel of Education Today. She has been bestowed with this honour for her exemplary traits of sincerity, dedication & hard work in the field of education. The jury has handpicked few principals pan India, those of who were felicitated and awarded under this category.**

**AWARDS****The School Innovation Council Award**

PSBS has been conferred **The School Innovation Council (SIC202111455)** as per the guidelines of Innovation Cell, Ministry of Education, Govt of India during the academic year 2022-23 in affiliation with MOE's Innovation Cell - Govt of India. It is a very prestigious and meritorious Award.

**Logiqids International Mental Aptitude Program 2022-23**

Logiqids has presented the certificate of appreciation to Principal Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari, Ms Shoma Nazeer Shaik -COD Middle school and Ms Tamil Selvi HOD Computer Science of Presidency School Bangalore South. This certification is a recognition for their pro-activeness in promoting the 21st century skills in learners and their seamless support in conducting Logiqids International Mental Aptitude Program 2022-23.

## AWARDS

### Bangalore Sahodaya Awards



Presidency School Bangalore South performed exceptionally well in the CBSE Grade 10 and Grade 12 Board Examinations 2022-23. The school was felicitated by the Bangalore Sahodaya School Complex on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 at an award ceremony for 100% results in both Grade 10 and 12. Centum achievers of both Grade 10 and 12 were awarded a cash prize of Rs. 1500.





## AWARDS

### 8th Edu Leaders Summit and Award 2023 by Universal Mentors Association Bengaluru



Principal Ms. J Bhuvaneshwari has been recognized as one of the distinguished recipients of the Top Educator Award in Bangalore. This prestigious award celebrates her remarkable dedication, unwavering commitment, and outstanding contributions to the field of education, making her a true source of inspiration for both her colleagues and students. The award serves as a testament to her innovative and impactful approach to nurturing young minds.

Ms. Bhuvaneshwari was presented with the Top Educator Award on September 8, 2023, during a grand ceremony held at the Welcome Hotel, ITC. The event brought together esteemed educators, dignitaries, and education enthusiasts to celebrate excellence in education. Ms. Bhuvaneshwari's exceptional achievements were acknowledged and celebrated during this significant occasion.

### Education World Jury Awards 2023-24



Presidency School Bangalore South has been awarded by Education World with two prestigious awards in New Delhi at the JW Marriot on the 13th of October, 2023. 1. Excellent school to work with category- India rank 6, Karnataka rank 1, Bangalore rank 1. 2. Co-Ed award rank 20 at Karnataka and Bangalore.





## MICROSOFT INNOVATIVE EDUCATOR EXPERT FOR 2023-2024

**PRESIDENCY SCHOOL BANGALORE SOUTH**  
**MIE EXPERTS**  
2023-2024





Ms. J Bhuvaneswari

Ms. Shoma S

Ms. Kavita K

Ms. Tamil Selvi I

Ms. Anupama

Ms. Bhawna Pant

Ms. Vijayashree B S

Ms. Damayanti

Ms. Prathibha V

Ms Ann Neethu

Ms. Sudha

Ms. Shanthala

Ms. Srusti

Ms. Sapna

Ms. Aneeta

Ms. Meera Bai

Ms. Inderpreet

Ms. Prapti

Ms. Indira P

Ms. G. Sriranjani

Ms. Nandini T

Ms. Deepika Wagh

Ms. Kavitha S

Ms. Ashwini

Ms. Mridhula

Ms. Priyanka O

Ms. Meenakshi V

Ms. Susheela HR

Mr. Aman Ulla

Ms. Subhadra

Ms. Selin Mary

Ms. Swati T

Ms. Prasanna Lakshmi

Ms. Pavithra

Mr. Chinnaraj

Ms. Savitha Praveen

Ms. Savitha V

Ms. Pritam

Ms. Freny

Teachers of PSBS have been selected as a MICROSOFT INNOVATIVE EDUCATOR EXPERT FOR 2023-2024, to be part of the exclusive global community paving the way for their peers to share ideas, try new approaches, and learn from each other.

# GURU VANDANA", KALA SHREE AWARD



Minakshi Debnath a teacher at Presidency School Bangalore South, has been awarded with "GURU VANDANA", KALA SHREE AWARD and was felicitated by Sanchari Kala Parishad - a UGC and MHRD affiliated musical board, recognised under the ministry of corporate affairs at Kalagram, Bangalore on 18th June 2023



## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

### International Winnings



Abhinav Jain of Grade 12, Presidency School Bangalore South won the gold medal in SOF INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE OLYMPIAD. He was one among the few to be recognised by SOF at the Award function in Windsor Palace along with a cash prize of ₹50000.



Ankit Kumar Muduli of grade 8E bagged the gold medal and a merit certificate in CREST Mathematics Olympiad. He was also accorded 1500 reward points.



Shubham Mallik of grade 3 secured International Rank 3 in CREST International Spell Bee - Winter(CSBW)

## International Winnings



Sakthi S of grade 8D was awarded for her multiple classical dance performances organized by Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, Embassy of India, Kathmandu on 6 June 2023. She, along with her team from Srishtikala School of Fine Arts, participated in multiple performances at Pokhara, Kathmandu, and the Pashupatinath temple organised by ICCR, The Embassy of India, Nepal on 8 June 2023.



Sanidhya Das of grade 7 secured prizes in various competitions held during the academic year 2022-23. She took part in the Olympiads conducted by SOF and NELTAS and bagged quite a few medals.

Sanidhya's vast inventory of wins boasts of the following:

- SOF Olympiads & Neltas -
- IEO - Gold medal of excellence + certificate
  - NSO- Gold medal of Distinction + certificate of distinction
  - IMO- Gold medal of excellence + certificate
  - ISSO- Gift voucher worth INR. 1000 + Medal and certificate of zonal excellence + Medal and certificate of distinction
  - NSO (2nd level)- gift voucher worth INR. 500 + Zonal certificate
  - Neltas ECAT- Achiever medal and certificate (grand finale)
  - Neltas MCAT - Merit medal and certificate

## International Winnings

Shivank Saha of grade 7F has won prizes in various competitions held during the academic year 2022-23. Shivank participated in the Olympiads conducted by SOF and NELTAS and acquired several victories.

His winnings include the following:

1. - Zonal Bronze medal(3rd rank) in ISSO
2. SOF Olympiad- Medal of distinction in NSO, IMO & ISSO
3. -Gold medal in IGKO & NCO
4. -Gold medal in NELTAS English, Math & Science.
5. -Whizz state level Handwriting competition- 20th rank and Gold medal.
6. -International rank 32 in LogIQDs.



“Success is the fruit of good ideas pursued with energy, intelligence, and determination.”

Ankit Kumar Muduli of grade VIII E secured 17<sup>th</sup> rank in south zone in UNICUS Mathematics Olympiad along with the Gold medal and a merit certificate for 2023.

The CREST Mathematics Olympiad (CMO) is an International competitive exam held online for students in Classes KG-10. Ankit Kumar Muduli had participated in CMO and bagged a gold medal and a merit certificate. He was also awarded 1500 reward points.



Preshta Dilip of grade 7 honoured with accolades for her exceptional performance in various competitions during the academic year 2022-23. Her achievements meet bounds of rich success:

- Neltas ECAT - Achiever performance medal
- Wiz National Spell BEE - Interschool - 4th Rank
- State level - 21st Rank
- Logiqids (First Stage)- State Rank 2
- Camp Yellow Math Championship- Bronze Medal
- SOF IEO - Zonal Medal of Distinction
- SOF NSO - Medal of Excellence



## National Winnings



Jayamangala earned the bronze medal in the 21 km half marathon race organized by BDRSA on the august occasion of the World Olympic Day on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023. She also won 3 golds in the Open District Skating competition organised by BDRSA on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of June.



Mugdha V of grade 7 honoured for her exemplary artwork in 'Nazariya', a national level painting competition organized by Heritage foundation of art and culture.



Sharanya Mandal of grade 6 accorded for her exceptional performance in the Dr Kalam's Mighty Minds Scholarship Test 2022-23. The MIGHTY MINDS scholarship program aims to identify the mighty quotient among young minds through a series of scientific brain games. She has also been awarded with a school bag for her hard work and love for learning.

## Logi Qids Mental Aptitude Olympiad Winners

## National Winnings



Johann Job of grade 10 performed exceptionally well to secure the International 1st Rank.

1. Ayushman Panda - International Rank 9- Grade 1
2. Jessica Kashyap - International Rank 8- Grade 1
3. Vikhyat Tumuluru - International Rank 7- Grade 3
4. Ryan Job - International Rank 10- Grade 5
5. Gaurav Gowda - International Rank 10- Grade 3
6. Pragya Kalal - International Rank 9- Grade 2
7. Advait Arun - International Rank 4- Grade 8
8. Pradyun Dilip - International Rank 6- Grade 10
9. Atharv Sharad Patil - International Rank 8- Grade 10



Mugdha V

VII E

Subham Mallik

IV A

Soham  
Chaudhury

VI D

Rhythms Group conducted various competitions for students in primary and middle school. Students from Presidency School Bangalore South represented in various competitions and Soham Chaudhury of grade VI participated in twelve different competitions and has been awarded with 'CARNIVAL 15-All Rounder Award'.

## National Winnings



Mugdha V of grade 7 secured the sixth position in 'Spring Blossoms', a National level poetry recitation and colouring competition organized by the Heritage foundation of Art and Culture.



David Dominic Tom of K2 got the consolation prize in 'Spring Blossoms, a National level poem recitation and colouring competition organized by Heritage foundation of art and culture



Wiz National Spell Bee is the first spelling competition of its kind in India for school children with an innovative approach that combines learning with fun and competition. Students across the grades from Presidency School Bangalore South took part in the state level spell-bee competition and earned enormous laurels. Sejal Mohanty of grade 5 secured the First rank, Vihaan Pradeep Patil of grade 5 secured the 4<sup>th</sup> rank, Gyaan Thakur of grade 7, the 10<sup>th</sup> rank and Prestha Dilip finished 21st.

## National Winnings

### BADGE AWARDEES - MATH

BEST SCORE		BEST IMPROVEMENT	
NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
Aditi	3A	Abdur	3B
Vikhyat	3B	Aarish	3A
Diya	3C	Muhammad	3C
Harini	3D	Pihoo	3C
		Samanvita	3C
Prisha	4A	A Konilaavarthini	4B
Smitha	4C	Parishi	4C
Samar	4D	Dhruv	4D
Vaishnav	4D	Samar	4D
Manoop	5A	Manoop	5A
Nishita	5A	Tamangrithvi	5A
Ryan	5A	Saiprajna	5E
Titiksha	5B	Mohammed	5E
Sejal	5C		
Rishaan	6B	Anvesha	6B
Pritam	6B	Rishaan	6B
Tanshu	6C	Siddhesh	6C
		Sohan	6D
Sreenjoy	7B	Siddhant	7C
Dikshita	7E	Nishka	7D
Ganesh	7F	Kruti	7E
Shivank	7F	Abhiti	7F
		Anushka	7F
NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
Advait	8A	Ayush	8A
Adithya	8A	Kruti	8C
Akshay	8C	Sriram	8D
Gagan	8C	Ankit	8D
Nayantara	8E		
Pratyush	9B	Pawan	9A
Ruthvik	9E	Manas	9C
Pratishtha	9E	Thavanesh	9E
Soham	9E	Pradyun	9F
Pradyun	10B	D	10A
Syed	10B	Syeda	10A
Johann	10C	Ritika	10C
Pranav	10D	Nuha	10C
		Bhuvan	10D

### BADGE AWARDEES - CHEMISTRY

BEST SCORE		BEST IMPROVEMENT	
NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
Mohammad	8A	Tamara	8B
Neha	8A	Mohamed	8B
Sruja	8A	Nitin	8B
Gagan	8C	Syed	8D
Aniket	8E		
Akshay	9B	Jayanth	9A
Meherdeep	9B	Niranjan	9C
Pratyush	9B	Vishal	9F
Ruthvik	9E		
Siddharth	9F		
Aahana	10A	Syeda	10A
Yashasvi	10A	Athrv	10D
Pranav	10D	Abhinav	10D
		ARYAN	10E

### BADGE AWARDEES - SCIENCE

BEST SCORE		BEST IMPROVEMENT	
NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
ADITI	3A	NAKSHATRA	3A
AKSHARA	3A	P R	3A
AMOGH	3A	ABDUR	3B
GAURAV	3A	ISHANA	3B
SAANKARITATHYA	3C	AARAV	3B
MOHAMMED	4A	SRIVATSA	4A
ANSH	4B	CHARVISREE	4B
SESHANTH	4C	SAMARTH	4C
VAISHVI	4C	RAPHAEL	4D
M J	4D		
MUHAMMED	5A	SRIHITH	5A
M RAJ	5C	MEDA	5A
AANYA	5D	TURJASHU	5B
		SYED	5B
		LALITHKRISHNA	5C
KARTHIK	6A	ADITRI	6C
SHARANYA	6A	DHRUV	6D
PRITAM	6B	PARNIKA	6E
MICHAEL	6B	J	6E
VINDHYA	6C		
SANIDHYA	7C	AADVIK	7A
MUGDHA	7E	MUGDHA	7E
PRIYANSHA	7E	SPOORTHI	7F

### BADGE AWARDEES - PHYSICS

BEST SCORE		BEST IMPROVEMENT	
NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
ANIKET	8E	TRILLOK	8C
NEHA	8E	MOHAMMED	8C
VINEET	8E	RISHIT	8C
		NEHA	8E
		ETHIKA	8E
AMOGH	9A	SHEFALIKA	9A
M MOHAMED	9B	SAFEENA	9B
SAI	9C	ABRAR	9D
SHUBHANGI	9E	PRADYUN	9F
AAHANA	10A	SYEDA	10A
ASHVIK	10B	AVANI	10B
ADARSH	10B	MANYA	10C
HITHA	10D	MADHUSHRI	10D

### BADGE AWARDEES - BIOLOGY

BEST SCORE		BEST IMPROVEMENT	
NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
Harini	8C	A Sai	8E
M	8C	Aaryash	8E
Monosrija	8C	Shashank Ip	8E
Tejas	8C	Sri	8E
Ashritha	9C	Pratyush	9B
Sai	9C	Akshay	9B
Pratishtha	9E	Arnav	9B
		Elvin	9F
Aahana	10A	Ayush	10E
Mohit	10B	Aayush	10E
Aritra	10C	Kaushal	10E

Achievers of the round 1 Mathematics and Science Open Door Assessments across Grades 3 to 10 received badges for their phenomenal performances.

## National Winnings


**PRESIDENCY**  
GROUP OF SCHOOLS


**THE TIMES OF INDIA**
**— Unstoppable —**


**Aarav Anil**  
Grade 12  
Presidency School Bangalore South

**"If you can't figure out your purpose, figure out your passion. Your passion will lead you right into your purpose."**

Aarav Anil has been recognised as one of India's **"Unstoppable - 21"** an initiative by the **Ministry of Education in collaboration with the Times of India.**

[www.presidencychools.org](http://www.presidencychools.org)

If you can't figure out your purpose, figure out your passion. For your passion will lead you right into your purpose." Aarav Anil of Grade 12, Presidency School Bangalore South, student of our school right from Pre KG, has been recognized as one among India's "Unstoppable - 21." This is an initiative by the Ministry of Education and Times of India. Aarav is the winner of 20+ awards in regional and national robotics competitions, representing India in the global stage. With a passion for innovation and creating solutions using robotics, he counts a self-stabilizing spoon he created for Parkinson's patients among his best achievements. He is trained in AI, machine learning, computer aided design and 3D printing along with electronics and IoT. He started his journey in robotics when he was 7 years old and has won more than 20 awards in global robotics competitions, including a gold at the World Robotics Olympiad in Germany 2022. He is working on a startup idea and has mentored students at government schools in building robots among others. The entire Presidency fraternity congratulates him on this achievement at such a young age. Truly a Child Prodigy and a genius. May his innovative ideas help him make a mark for himself and also make a dent in the universe.

Aarav Anil has represented India in over 20 robotics competitions held in the US, Russia, France and other countries. The **TOI #Unstoppable21** jury has picked the teenager from Karnataka as one of the **Unstoppable 21 Indians under 21 years**

## Bengaluru teen builds smart spoon for Parkinson's patients

Anjali Shambal  
@timesgroup.com

Aarav Anil was searching for ways to make life a little easier for his uncle who has Parkinson's, so he built a battery-operated smart spoon that would let a patient feed themselves more independently. His prototype bagged first place in a robotics competition held in Germany last November where the 17-year-old represented India.

"One of the symptoms of Parkinson's disease is hand tremors that make it difficult to do basic things like buttoning a shirt or feeding yourself. My uncle's hands used to shake so much that by the time the spoon reached his mouth, most of the food would spill over. I made the spoon using a 3D printer and sensor motors. The spoon compensates for his hand tremors and maintains stability," Aarav said.

Earlier this year, he tied up with RV College of Physiotherapy in Bengaluru to validate the product and gather feedback so it can be made consumer-friendly before mass production begins.

"Working on the feedback that the spoon was rather bulky, I tweaked the design to make it easier to grip and sent it back for trials. I also improved sensitivity to make it more responsive to higher frequencies," Aarav said.

A student of class 12 at Presidency School in Bangalore South, Aarav has represented India in over 20 robotic competitions held in the US, Russia, France and other countries.

His fascination with robotics started at the age of nine when his mother gifted him a Lego kit that he just couldn't stop playing with. "The combination of mechanics, software and electronics absolutely captivated my interest. Looking at how I was inspired by robotics, my mother quit her job and started an institute called Robolectro Team Studio to provide other children with a platform to learn such 21st-century skills six years ago," he said.



**ROBOTICS ACE:** Aarav's prototype bagged first place in a robotics competition in Germany last year

When he is not working on products to change the world for the better, Aarav is busy using his skills to upgrade his room. "I like to build stuff for myself, there is a lot of trial and error involved but there is so much to be learned from failures as well. It was very hot in Bengaluru this year, so I built a fan with speed controls, and lights with automatic brightness adjustment for my room."

With just a few months left to start applying to colleges, he wants to pursue a degree in robotics and engineering in the Netherlands.

"When I visited the country for a competition, I found that they have good courses that are practical-oriented. Engineering courses in India are very theory-oriented, and very stress-

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my knowledge. You can find a video about anything on that platform," he said.

**#Unstoppable21**

A TOI initiative to identify and celebrate 21 of India's young prodigies. To know more about the young prodigies of India under 21, visit: [www.unstoppable21.in](http://www.unstoppable21.in)

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## State level Winnings



Jayamangala of grade 9E secured one gold, two silver and one bronze medals in 250 metres and 500 metres in the 3rd state ranking championship organised by the Karnataka Roller Skating Association.



Nischita of grade 2C secured silver medal in 250 metres and 500 metres in the 3rd state ranking championship organised by the Karnataka Roller Skating Association.

## State level Winnings



The Volleyball team secured the second position at the 27<sup>th</sup> State Level Inter School Volleyball Tournament, held in Sree Rama Vidyalaya.



Nischita of Grade 2C secured the silver medal in both 250 metres and 500 metres in 3<sup>rd</sup> state ranking championship organised by Karnataka Roller Skating Association.

## State level Winnings



Our student Jayamangala of Grade 9E secured one gold, two silver and one bronze medals in the 3rd State Ranking Championship organised by the Karnataka Roller Skating Association.



Tanisha Srinivasan of class 10 'C' won the first prize in Lulu Funtura Little Star in the Dance event. This event had children participating in dance, vocal and instrumental competitions.



Spell Wiz – Karnataka State Level Competition winners

Grade 9

1. Ayushi Dutta -26th Rank
  2. Nabeehah Zafar- 34th Rank
  3. Sukeerth Jayakumar Malali- 35th Rank
- Grade 10

1. Pradyun Dilip-15th Rank
2. Johann Job-22nd Rank



Aishwarya K of Grade 11 won the 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Deetya Roy and Nhura Jessenia of Grade 11 were awarded the special mention certificates in the Sketching and Painting Competition held in The Oxford School of Architecture on 15 June 2023.

## District Winnings



Nishita Satya of grade 5A secured the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the Billboard Boost competition - SASYA 3.0 organized by Harvest International School on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2023



An Inter-School competition 'SASYA 3.0' was hosted by Harvest International School on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Students from Presidency School Bangalore South participated in various competitions. Students of grades 4 and 5 of PSBS also bagged the second prize in 'Harmony Heights' - music competition.

Harmony Heights	
Category 2 (Grades 4-5)	Grade
ANAGHA PEKETI	5
KENZA HAYAT	5
SHAMI YEDHURI	4
DHRITI KOTA URAL	4
SAIPRAJNA TRIPATHY	5
J PRANAV	5
NITHYA KALALA	5
MOKSHA ADITRI BHOGI	5
SARAH JANE FURTADO	4
SHUBHAM MALLIK	4
SHARON CATHERINE	4
AARVI V LAXMESHWAR	5
SHREYA RAO	5

## District Winnings



Shazin CS of grade 4C secured the 1<sup>st</sup> prize, Srirudra of grade 5D, the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize and Adira N Pilla of grade 10 secured the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize at the inter-school Yoga competition held at BGS NPS HULIMAVU on June 24<sup>th</sup> 2023 .



Ruthvik Srikanth of class 9 'E' won the first prize at the DNMUN23 - All India Political Parties Meet event. He was conferred with the Commendable Delegate Award in Debate for his exemplary views on the topic of discussion.



## District Winnings



We present to you the winners of the Orion (Dance) and Serpens competition in the Confluence event organised by DPS (Bangalore South). Orion (Dance) Winners: Abir Khan 9 B, Ishita 9 C, Tanish 9 D, Pratishta 9 E, Nauman 9 E & Siya 9 D: Serpens Winners: Ipshita 10 B & Arjun 12 D



Siddarth Kotagiri, Ruthvik Srikanth, Tanish Sharma of grade 9 and Advait Arun of Grade 8 won the Chess championship at 'Impressions', DPS North. Siddarth Kotagiri secured the second position in the under 17 chess championship.

## District Winnings



Ishaan of grade 8E secured the first prize in the District level Karate Championship event on 27 August 2023 organised by the Karate Association, Bangalore South at Silicon City Academy of Secondary Education.



Advaith Arun (8A), Vaishnav Sukumar (8A) & Adithya Arun (8A) won the first prize in 'Master Mind' at "IMPRESSIONS", conducted by Delhi Public School North.



Ishani (8D) & Parigya (8D) won the First prize in the Palette Fold event at "IMPRESSIONS", conducted by Delhi Public School North.

## District Winnings



Name of the Participant	Class
NEHA ANN MATHEW	VIII
PRARTHANA.U.B	VIII
GITNSHI	VII
NYSA NAIR	VI
SIRI. K	VII
HARIKA . P	VII
AASHIRYA. R	VII
NORAN . N	VII
ANKITHA . R	VII
ABHIITI. S	VII
JAMILA ABID KAPASI	VI

Our Junior Girls Under-14 Volleyball team bagged the bronze medal and our Volleyball team bagged the gold medal at the event "IMPRESSIONS" conducted by Delhi Public School North.



Name of the Participant	Class
SAANVI. P	X
RIDHIMA BALIGA	X
TEJASWINI KRISHNA	X
AAKANKSHA BHAT	X
SRIVALLI.G	XII
SOFIA SIDDIQUI	IX
MADHUSHRI	X

The Senior Girls Under 18 Volleyball team bagged the gold medal at "IMPRESSIONS" conducted by Delhi Public School North.

## District Winnings



Nirvan Kumar, Ayush Ghosh, Sriram Ratan Ventrapati, Ryan Darryl Francis, Shashank Javalgi, Chinmay Javalgi, Syed Umar Rabbani, Vibhav Prabhu Chinivardha, Tanush Somaiah K G, Ankit Kumar Muduli & Gagan Sreekumar of grade 8 - Junior Boys - Under 14 Basketball team won the bronze medal at 'IMPRESSIONS' conducted by Delhi Public School North.



Vibha Reddy B, Ananth Shriram, Sharmishta, Pramiti of grade 10 and Amartya and Abhinaya of grade 9 won the Sanskrit Samvaad competition at the Prajwala event organized by DPS Bangalore South.

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## District Winnings



Prathith Anumarlapudi and Yashasvi Gangiredla of grade 10 and Ayushi Dutta of grade 9 won the Quiz in the event 'ENIGMA' held at AECS Magnolia School. Subhashini Ray of grade 9 secured second position in the drawing competition held at the same event.



Divyana Nayak of grade 8D secured the third prize in Hand doodling, 'Kalakriti' competition conducted by The Samhita Academy.

## District Winnings



Tanish Sharma of Grade 9 from PSBS soared high at the District South Bangalore Karate Championship 2023 winning the 2<sup>nd</sup> place in 'Kata' and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place in 'Kumate.'



PSBS students won the under 16 and the second prize in the Under-14 Volleyball tournament at the Physical Education Youth Academy, 5th inter school volleyball championship.

## District Winnings



Our Volleyball team secured the second position at the 27<sup>th</sup> State Level Inter School Volleyball tournament held in Sree Rama Vidyalaya, organized by Sree Rama Vidyalaya.



Havish Gudimetla of Grade VII A was awarded for his excellence at the Inter-Jodo Championship, and for winning the first position in Kata demonstration and the second position in Kumite in the UMC Inter-Jodo Championship organized by United Martial Arts & Fitness Club.



Sohom Chaudhury of Grade 6D was felicitated for his exhibition of some phenomenal art, winning the various competitions conducted by Rhythms Group Music and Dance Education.

Hindustani Classical Vocal - First prize

Pencil Sketching - Second prize

Silhouette Painting - Second prize

Drawing & Painting - Third prize

Hindi Bhajan - Third prize



# Inter-Presidency Competitions



Presidency School Bangalore South congratulates the winners of the Inter School competition 'Olistico' organized by Presidency School Bangalore North on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2023 for students across Grades 1 to 5. Of the 19 schools that took part in the 21 categories of events, participating students of PSBS were marked with dazzling alacrity and won prizes under the following categories:

<b>GROUP DANCE</b>	1.Akshara Arun...3A 2.Harshi Patel...5C 3.Meera .C...5E 4.Krupa Patel...4D 5.Kenza Hayat...5E 6.Janavi PK...5C 7.Deetya Govinda Raju...3A 8.Aditi Shinde...4A	1 <sup>st</sup> prize	<b>MASH UP</b>	Harita -5C Titiksha Sajith -5B	1 <sup>st</sup> Prize 3 <sup>rd</sup> prize
	<b>MY MASTER PIECE</b>		Ritanya V -2B	2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	
	<b>LOGO DESIGN</b>		Pranav Roy .-5 D	1st prize	
	<b>POETICA</b>		Samadrita Paul- 5A	2nd prize	
<b>AD MAKING</b>	Vihaan 5B Jathin 5B	1 <sup>st</sup> prize	<b>LITERARY EVENT KANNADA</b>	Shreya D -5A	2nd prize

## Inter-Presidency Competitions



The Junior girls' Basketball team secured the 1<sup>st</sup> place in Inter-Presidency Volleyball Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September 2023.



Inter-Presidency Sports Fest 'PISKOT' was hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on September 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Students of PSBS bagged the third prize in boys 4x50mts freestyle swimming relay. Prathamesh Singh of grade X secured the second place, Utham S M of grade VI bagged the third place and Sharvesh Kirtan of grade IX secured the third place in 50 mts backstroke and freestyle individual swimming event.

## Inter-Presidency Competitions



The Senior Secondary girls' Volleyball team secured the 1<sup>st</sup> place in Inter-Presidency Volleyball Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September 2023.



Junior girls Volleyball team won the 1<sup>st</sup> place at the Inter-Presidency Volleyball Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September 2023.

## Inter-presidency Competitions



The Senior Secondary boys' Volleyball team secured 1<sup>st</sup> place in Inter-Presidency Volleyball Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on 1st and 2nd September 2023.



Junior boys' Chess team secured 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Inter-Presidency Volleyball Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on 1st and 2nd September 2023.

## Inter-Presidency Competitions



The Senior boys' Chess team secured 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Inter-Presidency Chess Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on 1st and 2nd September 2023.



Junior girls' Chess team secured 1<sup>st</sup> place in Inter-Presidency Volleyball Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on 1st and 2nd September 2023.

## Inter-Presidency Competitions



The Senior boys' basketball team secured 1st place in Inter-Presidency Basketball Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on 1st and 2nd September 2023



Senior girls' basketball team secured 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Inter-Presidency basketball Tournament hosted by Presidency School Bangalore North on 1st and 2nd September 2023

# Intra School Competitions



**Hindi Divas Competition Winners**

## The Secret of the Whispering Woods

In the shadowy depths of the Whispering Woods, where moonlight filtered through ancient branches, Aisha and Dr. Westfield stood at the precipice of cosmic terror. The air hung heavy with the scent of damp earth and the distant echoes of unseen creatures. Above them, the stars flickered as if uncertain of their own brilliance, while the moon, veiled by wisps of cloud, cast ethereal patterns on the forest floor.

Amidst the eerie silence, Aisha, her eyes aglow with arcane knowledge, murmured incantations under her breath, tracing symbols in the air with fingers stained with ink. Dr. Westfield, his scientific mind ever curious, meticulously calibrated his instruments, capturing the subtle energy fluctuations that danced around them.

Their efforts were complemented by the cryptic wisdom of Lady Abernathy, her mansion an enigmatic sanctuary perched on the edge of reality itself. Within its labyrinthine corridors, they discovered artifacts that pulsed with ancient power, their very presence resonating with the cosmic forces they sought to understand.

As the group delved deeper into the forest, they encountered peculiar phenomena. Trees, their bark etched with celestial symbols, seemed to whisper secrets to the wind. In the dead of night, beneath the shroud of a ghostly fog, the trees of the Whispering Woods took on an eerie semblance. Their bark, etched with celestial symbols, appeared as though eternities of cosmic knowledge had been carved into their very essence. As the wind moaned through the twisted branches, the symbols seemed to come alive, writhing and shifting, as if possessed by unseen forces.

The air grew icy, and an unsettling chill settled in the hearts of those who dared to venture close. Whispers, like spectral tendrils, slithered through the forest, carrying with them cryptic messages from realms beyond. Those who listened closely could hear the trees murmuring in a language long forgotten, a language that sent shivers down the spines of even the bravest souls.

The whispers spoke of ancient pacts with malevolent entities, of cosmic horrors that lurked just beyond the veil of reality. Shadows danced beneath the moonlight, and twisted shapes moved within the depths of the woods, their forms obscured by the darkness. Every rustle of the leaves, every creak of a branch, felt like a spectral hand reaching out from the beyond, aching to pull unsuspecting wanderers into the abyss.

The celestial symbols on the trees seemed to glow faintly, casting an eerie glow that illuminated the forest in a ghastly, otherworldly light. Each symbol told a story of cosmic terror, of forgotten rituals that bound the fate of the woods to forces far beyond mortal comprehension. Those who dared to decipher these symbols found themselves plagued by nightmares, their minds tormented by visions of eldritch abominations and endless voids.

In this haunted grove, the very ground seemed to pulse with a malevolent energy, as if the earth itself was alive with dark intent. The air grew thick with the stench of decay, and unseen eyes watched from the shadows, their gaze filled with a hunger for mortal fear.

## The Secret of the Whispering Woods

To tread among these trees was to invite madness, to invite the wrath of ancient cosmic entities that hungered for the souls of the living. The forest, once a place of natural beauty, had become a twisted nightmare, where reality blurred, and the line between the living and the dead grew thin.

Enchanted flowers bloomed in vibrant hues, casting a surreal glow that painted the surroundings with a kaleidoscope of colours. Amidst the darkness and foreboding whispers of the Whispering Woods, a stark contrast emerged in the form of enchanted flowers. These ethereal blooms, though seemingly beautiful, carried an aura of mystique that added to the eerie ambience of the forest.

As the moonlight filtered through the thick canopy, the enchanted flowers sprang to life, their vibrant hues igniting the shadows with a surreal brilliance. Each petal glowed with an unnatural radiance, casting a vivid, almost fluorescent glow that painted the surroundings in a mesmerizing kaleidoscope of colours. Crimson reds clashed with electric blues, and golden yellows melded with emerald greens, creating a disorienting yet captivating display.

Yet, despite their enchanting allure, these flowers seemed to possess a sinister quality. Their colours, while stunning, held a subtle malevolence, as if they were not merely plants but sentient beings, aware of the intruders in their domain. Their mesmerizing glow drew in unsuspecting wanderers, luring them deeper into the heart of the forest, where the line between reality and illusion blurred.

Those who approached too closely found themselves ensnared in a bewitching trance, their senses overwhelmed by the overpowering aroma of the blossoms. The air became thick with the cloying scent, intoxicating and suffocating, as if the very essence of the forest sought to enthrall and entrap.

Deep within the heart of the Whispering Woods, nestled among the vibrant tapestry of flora, lay the Glimmering Ponds. These enchanting water bodies were a spectacle of nature's brilliance, their surfaces adorned with an array of dazzling hues. During the day, the ponds sparkled under the sunlight, reflecting the azure sky and the emerald foliage that surrounded them.

As twilight descended, the Glimmering Ponds underwent a magical transformation. Luminescent algae, unseen by the naked eye during daylight, began to emit a soft, celestial glow. The water took on myriad of colours, ranging from ethereal blues to radiant purples, as if the very essence of the forest had infused the ponds with its vibrant energy.

In the moonlight, the ponds came alive with a dance of shimmering lights, resembling a starlit sky captured within their depths. Fireflies, drawn to the mesmerizing glow, hovered above the water, creating a scene straight out of a fairy tale. The gentle rustle of leaves and the distant calls of nocturnal creatures provided a soothing soundtrack to this enchanting display.

Flora along the pond's edge bloomed in response to this unique environment. Delicate water lilies, their petals as white as the moon, opened their blossoms, releasing a subtle, sweet fragrance into the night air. Flocks of butterflies, their wings painted in iridescent patterns, congregated near the ponds, sipping nectar from nearby flowers and adding splashes of colour to the surroundings.

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Those who chanced upon the Glimmering Ponds could not help but be captivated by the tranquil beauty and vibrant energy that permeated the air. It was a place where the wonders of nature unfolded in a symphony of colours, inviting wanderers to pause and marvel at the harmonious coexistence of life within the heart of the Whispering Woods.

Lily, the young seer, often found herself in trances, her eyes clouded by visions of the cosmic convergence. In her dreams, she saw galaxies collide and stars weep tears of molten silver. Each vision brought her closer to unravelling the enigma that had befallen their town.

Father Matthias, the unwavering priest, led them in prayers beneath the ancient oaks, their gnarled branches reaching for the heavens like time-worn sentinels of the Whispering Woods and the priest's voice rising like a hymn, seeking solace from divine forces. His sermons, once filled with hope, now carried the weight of the impending darkness, echoing through the very roots of the Whispering Woods.

In the midst of their exploration, they stumbled upon a forgotten altar, its stone surface adorned with glyphs that seemed to shimmer with an otherworldly glow. Aisha, her fingers brushing the inscriptions, felt a surge of power tingling through her veins. Dr. Westfield, ever the scientist, observed the altar with a mix of fascination and trepidation, his eyes reflecting the play of mystical energies.

The night before their final confrontation, they gathered around a campfire, its flames casting flickering shadows upon their faces. Aisha, her gaze fixed on the stars above, said, "Each constellation holds a tale, a story woven into the cosmic fabric. We are but characters in this celestial drama."

Dr. Westfield, his eyes alight with curiosity, added, "The universe is a grand tapestry of matter and energy. Our existence, our struggles, are but threads in this intricate design."

Lady Abernathy, her voice low and melodic, spoke, "The cosmic convergence is a moment where the threads of fate entwine, and our actions will reverberate through the very essence of the cosmos."

Their dialogue echoed in the stillness of the night, merging with the symphony of crickets and rustling leaves. Around them, the forest seemed to hold its breath, as if aware of the impending battle that would echo through its ancient boughs.

On the eve of their final stand, they performed a ritual under the blood-red moon, its eerie glow casting long shadows across the forest floor. Aisha, her voice resonating with ancient power, recited incantations that reverberated through the very roots of the Whispering Woods. Dr. Westfield, his scientific instruments calibrated to perfection, measured the cosmic energies that swirled around them, his gaze fixed on the delicate dance of particles in the air.

As the ritual reached its climax, a surge of energy enveloped them, lifting their spirits and fortifying their resolve. The stars above seemed to shine brighter, their collective light forming a protective canopy over the group.

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At the break of dawn, with the first light of day seeping through the dense canopy, they ventured deeper into the forest, guided by an unseen force. The air crackled with anticipation, and the very earth beneath their feet pulsed with cosmic energy. Aisha, her grimoire clutched tightly to her chest, said, "We are the guardians of Black Hollow, entrusted with the task of preserving the balance between worlds."

Dr. Westfield, his eyes determined, replied, "Our knowledge and determination are our weapons. We shall face this cosmic threat with unwavering courage."

And so, with hearts aflame with courage and minds sharp with knowledge, they confronted the Shadow Weaver at the heart of the Whispering Woods. Aisha, her voice echoing with ancient power, cried out, "In the name of the stars and the forces that bind the universe, I banish you, Shadow Weaver!"

Dr. Westfield, his instruments buzzing with energy, added, "Your malevolence shall find no sanctuary here. We stand united against the cosmic darkness!"

The forest seemed to hold its breath as their incantations clashed with the guttural whispers of the Shadow Weaver. Colours swirled in a chaotic dance, and the very ground trembled beneath the intensity of their battle.

In the climax of their confrontation, Lily stepped forward, her eyes shining with an otherworldly light. "I am the conduit between realms," she proclaimed, her voice carrying the weight of generations. "By the ancient ritual and the will of our ancestors, I cast you back into the void!"

Her words, infused with cosmic power, reverberated through the forest. The Shadow Weaver let out a final, anguished scream, its form dissolving into stardust that scattered like cosmic confetti in the wind.

With the departure of the cosmic entity, the forest seemed to sigh in relief. The shadows lifted, and the trees stood tall, their leaves rustling with newfound tranquility. Aisha, Dr. Westfield, Lady Abernathy, Father Matthias, Lily, and the Nightshade Wanderer stood amidst the dissipating energies, their faces illuminated by the soft, golden light of dawn.

In that moment of victory, Aisha turned to Dr. Westfield, her eyes filled with gratitude. "Without your scientific mind, this triumph might have eluded us. Your willingness to embrace the unknown saved our town."

Dr. Westfield, his skepticism transformed into awe, replied, "And without your deep understanding of the arcane, we might not have had the key to unlock the cosmic mysteries. It was a fusion of our knowledge that led to our victory."

Lady Abernathy, her gaze filled with wisdom, spoke, "The unity of science and mysticism proved to be the linchpin in our battle. Your collaboration has set a precedent for future generations to come."







## The Diary

*Jennifer*

Ava stared at what she had just read. Jennifer. That was her grandmother's name. Which meant ... this was her grandmother's journal. Ava flipped the pages. In every page was her grandmother's beautiful handwriting as she wrote about her day-to-day life. Her grandmother had loved books too, just like Ava. And, her grandmother had looked just like Ava did. As Ava flipped through the pages, she imagined her grandmother writing in them. Her grandmother had passed away before Ava was born and so, Ava had never met her. But now, reading her grandmother's journal, Ava felt more closer to her than ever before. Suddenly, she flipped a page and saw that it was blank. As she flipped more pages, she saw that they were blank too. She went back to the last entry in the diary.

*Dear diary,*

*Today is the last day I will be writing here. Today is my sixteenth birthday and after today, I will be starting college after which I'll be too busy to write anything. I will admit, stopping writing in this diary fills me with sorrow. Over the four years I have written in this, I have poured all of my thoughts, feelings and secrets into this. Alas, it is time to stop. While I will miss writing, this diary has always been a spark of joy in my life. It occurred to me that perhaps, long after I am dead, someone could be reading this diary. It is a strange thought to me that someone far off in the future could be reading my diary. This might sound silly, but I do hope that someone, someday, finds this diary and reads of the little adventures in my life. If this someone is reading right now, I thank them for taking the time to read my diary. I thought that I would leave a small gift for this someone. In the backyard of my house, there will be a huge tree. I'm not sure if it will still be there but I do hope it is. If the tree does still stand, dig in the spot in front of its roots. You will find something special to me.*

*With all the love in the world,*

*Jennifer*

Ava stopped reading. The tree was still in the backyard. Was something of Jennifer's hidden in the spot in front of the tree, after all this time? Ava kept the diary on the floor and ran down to the backyard. As soon as she reached the tree, she started digging in the spot in front of it. Soon, she discovered two things that were buried there.

The first was a necklace, silver in colour. Its pendant was a silver owl with spread wings. The second thing was a letter in faded yellow paper. Ava opened it and started reading.

*To anyone who may read it,*

*It is highly doubtful that either the necklace or this letter will ever be found. However, I'm still keeping it here, hoping that someone far into the future will read my diary and find the necklace and this letter. If that someone is reading right now, thank you. It means a lot to me if you took the time to do this. The necklace you may have found with this letter is my most favourite necklace. I buried it here, hoping that someone would one day find it and treasure it just like I do.*

*With hope and all the love I can share,*

*Jennifer*

Ava studied the necklace in her hands. Once, her grandmother used to wear it and treasure it. Now that she had found it, she would treasure it too. Ava wore the necklace and kept the letter in her pocket before going back to the attic. She was going to read her grandmother's diary.

Ava would forever treasure the necklace, the letter and the diary, just like her grandmother had hoped.

**Janani D\_8D**

## The House

“What are you doing in my house?” I question the fat man slumped on my favourite armchair. I’ve been watching him around for quite some time since I came back, and he has been thoroughly ignoring my presence.

Sam. Basic name, basic personality. I never liked him—ever since I saw him the very first time, slumped in a similar fashion in his backyard. Sunbathing or whatever, it would have no effect on this man. He is as pale as they get, and a distant cousin.

He claims to like my house a lot, and drops in at odd hours. So, it should not be a surprise that I hate him. However, all this while, it has only been in my presence. This once, I come home to find him lounging in the living room, and for at least a good five minutes, am too stumped to say anything. I have a lot of questions—the biggest one being how he managed to get inside. But I am also afraid he is up to something. Maybe he has a gun hidden somewhere and is a part of some underworld mafia. People like Sam cannot be trusted.

He ignores me as elegantly as is possible for a potbellied man in his early forties. Moreover, I watch in dismay as he picks up the remote, switching on the TV, and then looking right at me, as if to say: *You could stand there all day, loser.*

I look back and forth between 11AM News and Sam, trying to understand what is going on. It is definitely not April the first, and Sam is definitely not the type to prank anyone. I stride up to him, waving a hand in front of his face, since he refuses to look at me. He frowns, trying to swat my hand away as if it were a fly. This enrages me further. “Sam, can you please leave right now!?” I prepare to shout, but his phone rings, and decency makes me go quiet.

“Yeah, the deal is done.” Sam speaks into the phone in a hushed voice, getting up. He looks at me uneasily—walking away. I see that he doesn’t want me to hear, and so, when he closes the door to *my* bedroom, as if it belongs to him—certainly to keep *me* out, I put my ear to the door and listen.

“Listen, Sara, I have bought the house alright. But I don’t think this is right...” I can’t believe if I’ve heard correctly. He... *Sam*, has bought my house? And he is wondering if it is right or not, when I was standing in front of him, asking him to leave, just a minute ago! I always knew that man needed a trip down the asylum. “Okay, okay, listen. I *know* we don’t talk about Bill anymore. But it’s his house, and he told me once to the face that he didn’t like me!”

All this was getting so strange that I could barely understand what was going on. Sam and Sara, crooked siblings, did not like talking of me. Check. I totally did not like Sam, and he knew it. Check. I would never approve of him buying this house. Check. But the house was his anyway?

Or was this some cruel trickery? I couldn’t remember much of the last night. All I know was, I had been sitting on the same armchair as Sam. And watching the 11PM News with a wrinkled, old newsreader—Benjamin Astone. After that... it was all a blur. I had probably fallen asleep.

## The House

But the house looked different.

The curtains, the carpet. And the things around, like the Sweet Home sticker on the main door.

No, I could never be accused of owning such a ghastly thing. And the aquarium under the television? I would certainly not buy something requiring so much attention and care. So, this cheat has already moved in. Perhaps the parts I didn't remember were because he had drugged me. Anger pounded behind my ears, but at the same time, the improbability of all this nestled in some corner of my head. Sam liked the house, and he was annoying. But he didn't strike me as a criminal.

And to talk of the things he had changed, the tablecloth was different too. He had gotten rid of the pristine white thing my dead mother had passed on!

My rage returns in full strength as I fume up to the cloth, pulling it clean off the table. The newspaper lying on it falls down too, and I kick it in frustration.

Then the back cover catches my eye. Benjamin Astone. I pick it up with a frown, and the large font reads, SENIOR NEWSREADER, BEN ASTONE, DIES AT 86.

My frown deepens. I can still hear Sam speak in the other room. Turning the paper over, I see what makes my eyes bulge. The date.  
15<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

I sit down on the nearest sofa, my knees weak. I recheck at least ten times. The date is correct. I am... I last fell asleep on a night of August 2021. And woke up... more than a year later... to find that some distant cousin owns my house. I shake my head, flinging the paper away. Then realizing the urgency to know what the matter was, I rush back to the door. Something was terribly wrong.

"Listen, I am not saying doing that to Bill was right. But I didn't know it could end up this way! And *you* were the one to give me the idea!"

The woman on the other end says something and Sam, sounding agitated, interrupts, "Look, I am not chickening out. I just can't believe what kind of pathetic person would do all this just for a house."

So, he did something to me. Something that went terribly wrong and made me go into coma for a whole year, and now that I am back, he just doesn't want to accept it. So, he ignores my existence.

What a man, this Sam! I can't regret the day I invited him over, enough. Pushing the door open with absurd ease, I enter the bedroom. Sam turns to look at me, fear gripping his rheumy eyes. He grips the phone harder, standing in front of my long mirror. "Sara, oh, no it was probably just the wind." He forces a smile.

So, he is still not going to notice me?

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## The House

I storm up to him, and that is when I see it... or rather... I don't. I cannot see myself in the mirror. And a realization, searing through me like red, hot agony, washes over. I never came into the house today – because I never left it. I... I hadn't been in coma... I was dead? Because, Sam could definitely see me now, and he didn't like what he saw.

I watched his face go even paler than before, as I stared right at him from behind, my anger unmasked. The phone he was gripping so hard a moment ago, now slips from between his fingers. "Hello?" a worried female voice asks from the other end. "Hello, Sam?"

But Sam cannot hear her. His eyes, dilated with fear, are fixed upon me. "You...? What are you doing in m-my house?"

**-Vani Mishra 11A**

### Diwali Nights

From the onset of the first Diwali night,  
In every house we see a bright light,  
Shining in the night like stars.

Then comes the glee of bursting firecrackers,  
That looks dazzling in the night sky,  
We all cherish the moment with our kindred.

**-Anushka Prakash 7F**

### Where O' Where, Have You Gone!

The Trees Cut,  
The forests withered,  
The bird and its songs,  
Where O' Where, have you gone?  
The trees were replaced by bricks,  
The forests died too quick.  
Your legacy lasted long.  
Where O' Where, have you gone?

The cool breezes,  
The wet rainy days,  
The water in the ponds,  
The dusk and dawns,  
Where O' where, have you gone?

I try to search for you,  
But find only tall structures,  
Your stems and roots ruptured,  
The nature and its bond,  
Where O' Where have you gone?

Reviving you is impossible  
Your voice not audible.  
Your memories will stay.  
A new spark is born,  
Where O' where, have you gone?

**- Chinmay Javalgi (8C)**

### Broken Wings

I flew with two broken wings,  
And yet I reached the clouds.  
But the moon was still out of reach,  
And my mind still craved its light.

I flew with two broken wings,  
And reached the cradle of the moon.  
And yet the sun called, beckoning,  
So I touched her being, burning.

With two broken wings I flew,  
All the way till nothing old was new,  
Still, something whispered to me-  
"Oh, my dear broken bird...  
Why did you leave your beloved  
tree?"

**Ayushi Dutta - 9D**

## Dark

Dark choco dreams, where temptations hide,  
Yummy treasures, chocolate's sweet guide,  
Dark-choco symphony where, cravings ignite,  
Indulgent treats, pure bliss in each bite.

Dark chocolate, Wonker's magic spells, enchantment unfolds,

It whispers desires, delectable scents behold,  
Dancing bites, a dark choco symphony unfolds,  
Wonka chocolate's embrace, a tale to be retold.  
Choco sauce rings, its echo delights,  
Love's indulgence, dark choco passion takes flight,  
Flavours intertwine, this chocolate factory, reach a melodic height,  
Symbolic pleasure in dark choco's delight.

**By Kohli Tanveer Chaudhary 9F,**

**Siddharth M Aras 9F,**

**Abir Khan 9B, Amartya Iyer 9C**

### **A Choco-stic Poem**

In a world of chaos and torture,  
Our one getaway ticket is the golden ticket.  
Swiss and rich melt like a fountain.  
Yet its nuts, crunch our worries away.  
In its velvety layers, lies a never-ending story.  
As sugar meets cocoa, Romeo and Juliet unite.  
When chocolate meets fruit,  
It's a delightful treat to share.  
Yet its nuts, crunch away our troubles.  
With marshmallows and crackers,  
clouds rain biscuits on the heaven above.  
The sweeter the aroma,  
the more laughter in the arena.  
Yet its nuts, crunch away our worries.

**-Brahmi Murali, Pramithi Patla,**

**Aakanksha Bhat, Sanya Rathi - 10E**

## **The Summer**

The summer is so good.  
It changes my mood.

The hot rays of the Sun.  
Make me play and run.

I eat my ice-cream.  
Putting on my sunscreen.

The Sun I see is smiling at me.  
Oh! the summer is so hot,  
I love it a lot!

**Mohammed Farzan 5D**

## **Global Warming**

Let's stop global warming  
to keep our world charming.  
Let's walk  
and try to stop  
global warming.

Let's not cut trees  
as it leads to global warming,  
this may be dangerous  
and we will have to pay the fees.

Let's save dear Earth  
as it's the place of our birth,  
If global warming increases at this rate,  
Oh! we have will to suffer a terrible  
fate!

**Samadrita Paul 5A**



## Role Model

She came to the world with bright eyes,  
wondrous ideas but free of ties,  
there was no one to drag her down.  
Well, it was until she started school downtown.  
She has ideas for public welfare,  
but the school told her not to care,  
they tied her down to shift focus to marks,  
she was no more interested in the dog that barks.  
She was taught not to care,  
not to love or to share,  
she was told she was imperfect,  
taught how to fix it but not to accept.  
She was ordered to be among the rest,  
not challenge herself and be the best,  
it was only after her friends grew fewer,  
she realized this mindset was a sewer.  
Then she got up, pulled her sword,  
started to speak up and used her chord.  
She no more suppressed her temptation,  
she dressed to her likes, became a sensation.  
She now knew what she was worth  
she knew she wasn't born just to give birth.  
She grew herself with the ones that toddle,  
she became the best, became the role model.

**-Ipshita S 10B**

## The Dawn

The first golden touch of dawn  
A wonderous world once began to rise.  
With the mellow chirping of birds,  
and the birth of a light of hope in our eyes.

With crops swinging gently,  
singing with the light breeze,  
The morning glory bloomed amidst  
lively fragrance of roses to please.

The sky turned scarlet  
and the mischievous squirrel peeked to see.  
The cold dew on leaves  
And the rabbit jumping with glee.

And then the lush foliage of the garden  
Rose to breathe into a new spirit.  
As the duck in the pond swam to the edge,  
with ripples around as the water lit.

**BY SANIDHYA DAS ( 7C)**

## Endless White

Rising from perpetual cold,  
Blanketing colours white,  
Casting spells to quiet  
Comes the endless white.

Halting movement,  
Creating a barren sight,  
Cultivating famine,  
Mothering crevices,  
Grows the endless white.

Perishing in the unveiling warmth,  
Vanishing in the brown,  
Revealing blazing hues,  
Liberating sweet sound of life,  
Ends the endless white,  
And so does the endless grief.

**-Shahana Suresh 12C**



## Teachers' Day

On this very special day.  
A note of thanks I am sending your way.

To express my heartfelt greetings,  
To someone who is more than just a teacher.

You solve my doubts everyday,  
To lead me to a better way.

I am happy to have you as my teacher.  
As you secure our future.

Happy teacher's day.  
And I hope you have a good day.

**Mohammed Farzan 5D**



## The Four Elements

The earth rumbles beneath your feet,

The fire burns beneath.

The water flows as graceful as a dancer,

The clouds rumble in answer.

Have you ever felt the wind call out to you?

Carrying the melody of a singing cuckoo?

These gifts of nature call out to us in a hurry,

The wind, water, earth and fire have a conversation in a flurry.

They talk amongst themselves in whispers,

Talking amongst themselves like long lost sisters.

Every angel has a demon,

Every element possesses a cacodaemon.

Once in a while they grow tired,

Of the disrespect acquired.

They will rage and people will repent,

The tallest trees in splinters and the tallest mountains bent.

Feel the deep roots of the trees so old,

The earth hiding mountains of gold.

The water uprooting boats,

Do you really think you can remain afloat?

The kindest spirits hide a rage so furious,

The darkest souls hide the most brilliant light.

These elements are the representation,

Of the fury that rises in hateful occasion.

For as bountiful as Mother Nature can be,

Never forget that the same winds that you so enjoy,

can force you to pray on your knees.

**Ayushi Dutta 9D**

## The Call of the Myna

When he leaves, there is silence. It slips off his coat hooks, settles with the dust on his clothes, caresses my cheek in the still, sunstruck mornings. Sometimes I sit beneath the Gulmohar tree, as we had before his first departure, snacking on jalebis that mimicked a facade of a spiral galaxy dipped in saccharine orange. Lush hues illuminate golden rays of the sun, which slip through the Gulmohar leaves like sand in an hourglass. Time passes. I wait for him to return.

I was young, then. Memories, now faded at the edges, glow like glistening ponds in the summer heat, melt like deliquescent jalebis on tongue. But his tanned skin, smiling eyes and large, calloused hands—teaching me how to swim, tucking me into bed—are still imprinted vividly in my mind. I remember the way he smells, an earthy comfortable scent, how he feels like a Banyan, big and sturdy and strong; memories I have clung onto tightly throughout the years.

The months before his first leave are an oblivious blur; only looking back did I realise the significance of those hushed phone calls, the rubble and chaos on the television, the thin line my father's lips became as he watched the children crying and towns exploding in bits of dust and breaking headlines.

Later that month, I was watching him skip stones on the pond which elegantly splashed into its luminescent waters, almost as if the motherly pond chuckled with tears to the clement disturbance of the childlike stone. Perished and quelled Gulmohar leaves dawdling frivolously on the pond, a canopy ringing with bird calls of the myna and the bulbs.

He said, "I'm going to be gone for just a while." The evening was cold. "Where are you going, Papa?" I asked.

His expression was bittersweet, like burnt honeycomb. He said there were people who needed help. Vulnerable, innocent people, who deserved to have sweet summer memories, and to know their papas, just as I did. People who deserved to cherish their children lovingly, just as he did.

I thought of the television's chorus of aeroplane engines and the rumble of collapsing buildings.

In the gentle evening, the birds sang in the trees.

He said, "I'll be back before you know it."

I said, "Okay, Papa."

While he was gone, people told me he was a hero, fighting on the frontlines for all those unable to fight for themselves. That made me proud. But the months passed, and the seasons changed. The winter was colder without him. Summer lost its hues. Letters stacked up in my drawer.

His returns were short, mere months of bliss. Each time, his face seemed more lined, more careworn. His hands were rougher, calluses harder, and he smelled like new uniform and unfamiliar washing powder.

## The Call of the Myna

Each time he left, I felt a little more bitter. In the mirror, I watched myself grow taller against the doorframe. There were days I was proud of him, days I was worried sick, and days I was utterly angry at him for leaving me. The flowers of the Gulmohar turned pale, as Bangalore's picturesque ambience turned pink with the blossoming of the Pink Pouli trees. Notwithstanding, the air and ether was perforated with the blues of his absence. I would imagine a flower every time I thought of him, soon finding myself dilly-dallying in a garden of fragrant reminiscences. Often, I sat under the Gulmohar tree, gazing at the tranquil pond but the birdsong seemed more melancholy than sweet.

"You've changed," my father told me, tender-heartedly caressing my head with his warm homely palm as I tucked myself into bed.

He looked at me. His eyes were more lined, more creased.

"I've missed you, papa." I told him. "But you've missed a lot, too."

We were silent for a moment.

He asked me if I was angry at him. I told him that I wasn't.

We were silent for another moment still.

"Do you know why I go back?" He asked me softly, seating himself next to me, on the edge of my bed. His shoulders were broad, still, like a Banyan. I saw a bruise on his palm. "Do you know why I go back, when I miss you so, so, dearly?"

Outside, the wind blew gently. I heard the crickets chirp.

"Seva," My father said. "The art of selfless pure loving kindness. It is what fuels the spirit and soul. It is the act of giving without expectations of receiving."

His eyes shone. "When you honour that, there is Dharma, the right way of living, a person's life force, embodied in every living creature, which includes the understanding that others are just as important as yourself, if not more."

At that moment, he was bright. He exuded life, passion, soul.

"Not everyone has the power to help. But I do. And I see the innocent driven from their homes, unjustly slaughtered, buried in rubble, separated from family, when they are each just as important as I."

His face was anguished in the low, flickering light. "Can I neglect my responsibility to help them? Can I neglect my morals?"

It would be a disgrace to my Dharma. It is my duty." I watched as he lit the fire, nursing the flame. "And my Dharma passes onto you," he said. "You inherit it."

There was the familiar smell of earth and comfort. I breathed it in deeply. My father smiled pleasantly. "I want to make you proud."

The years passed quickly, leaving my childhood behind in a rush, like mist on a Monday morning. Gulmohar trees and ponds were that of the past; the present was the suburban rush of cars and flashing buses, stethoscopes and white coats—textbooks and hospital corridors became quickly accustomed friends.

Life was normal, in the beginning. A different rhythm, but a steady beat.

Then, the war came.

Slowly. It trickled stealthily into the nooks of homes, mingled with the air, hid behind shadows of tall concrete buildings, and the noise of honking traffic and hurrying pedestrians.

As it crept into our country, we saw the aftermath of the war in others; ongoing battles, losing battles, lost battles.



## My Comfort Zone

My comfort zone is a library,  
with distinctive things to see.

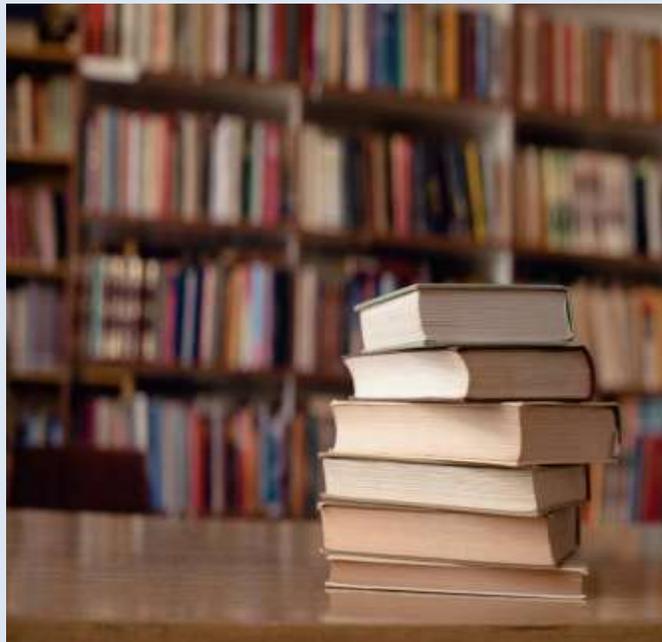
I am over there as Matilda,  
filled with words of extravaganza.

Unable to come out of distinctive worlds,  
stuck over there in a vine of curls.

A place to sit  
and watch a theatre of people's wit.

A wonderful journey over there,  
The one place for which I care.

**Sejal Mohanty 5C**



## The Pattering Rain

The monsoon is so wet,  
The lazy feeling is what you get.

I can hear the rain pattering,  
When I am playing and chattering.

The clouds are so grey,  
Even when it is day.

The rainwater makes the river flood,  
Sweeping away some mud.

The monsoon is so wet,  
The feeling of eating something spicy is what I get.

**Mohammed Farzan 5D**



## Urban Reverie



In the quiet whisper of the fleeting morn,  
Where night and day, in delicate dance, are born,  
There lies a tale, profound and yet untold,  
A saga of time in its endless fold.

Time, the weaver of life's intricate thread,  
In every moment, its story is spread,  
From cradle's first cry to the sunset's gleam,  
It paints our existence, a cosmic dream.

In youth's swift stride, it dances with delight,  
A symphony of laughter in the soft moonlight,  
Yet as the years gracefully start to wane,  
It weaves lines of wisdom, etching every pain.

With each tick of the clock, a memory is made,  
In the tapestry of time, no thread shall fade,  
Eternal it seems, yet fleeting as a sigh,  
A truth that no mortal soul can deny.

Oh, time, you artful, elusive stream,  
A muse for poets, a philosopher's dream,  
In your infinite grasp, we learn to aspire,  
To cherish each moment, to stoke passion's fire.

Embracing the now, we find our way,  
In the dance of time, we seize the day,  
For in its gentle hands, we're taught to see,  
The beauty of life, in all its mystery.  
In the heart of the bustling city's chest,  
Where dreams are woven, and hearts are put to test,  
Lies a symphony of chaos, a vibrant song,  
In the rhythm of footsteps, where life throngs.

Towers of steel scrape the infinite sky,  
Where ambitions soar and desires multiply,  
Neon lights flicker in the restless night,  
Guiding souls through the urban plight.

Busy streets, alive with hurried feet,  
In every corner, a story to greet,  
A cacophony of honks and market cries,  
Underneath the city's endless skies.

In coffee shops, dreams take their flight,  
Amidst the hum of laptops and city's light,  
People rushing, yet never alone,  
In the busy city, hearts find a home.

Yet amidst the rush, a sense of grace,  
A diverse blend of cultures, in this vibrant space,  
In every alley, a different tale is told,  
Of struggle, of triumph, of hearts bold.

The city pulses with life, a vibrant beat,  
Where ambitions and passions fiercely compete,  
In the hustle and bustle, dreams take flight,  
In the busy city, there's magic in the night.

So here, in the heart of the urban sprawl,  
Amidst the chaos, where passions enthrall,  
Lies a world of wonder, a city's lore,  
A vibrant hub of life, forever wanting more  
**Amarty Iyer 9C**



## A Tapestry of Culture

Is it true that our differences make us weak?

That they make society so dark and bleak?

That unification is the only solution,  
and all our variations are false fabrications?

Though we may differ on multiple instances,

on race, colour, caste, and preferences,

Our culture is what makes us stronger,

the bond that ties us all together.

If the world was a painting, plain it would be,

No emotion, love, peace or harmony.

For all the rest are discarded away,

Uncared, unattended, left to rot and decay.

Why must we ignore the pillars of society?

For each individual is as important as can be.

And it is only when the multitudes unite,  
that the future, it seems, can be colourful and  
bright.

Stop erasing the past and rewriting history,

all for the sake of 'better humanity',

Our clothes, our languages, our diverse  
festivities,

Are far more valuable than poor positivity.

So let us come together, not as one, but as all,

Forever with our differences, we stand tall.

We shall work together for a melodious future,

A model of change, a tapestry of culture.

**-Johann Job 10C**



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