



Ms. Anita Mohan,
Co-curricular-in-charge

Dear Hari Sri family,
We, at Hari Sri, believe that a well-rounded education extends beyond the classroom and this philosophy has yielded outstanding results this year that we are immensely proud of. The achievements in both academics and co-curricular pursuits highlight the synergy between the two. We encourage every student to find their passion, pursue it with dedication and embrace the opportunities that Hari Sri offers for their holistic growth. Together, we will continue to foster a community of excellence where academics and co-curricular achievements are celebrated as a winning combination. I am happy to be part of this journey towards educational excellence.

Remember, extracurricular doesn't necessarily mean, it has to be through school or at school. Dancing, cooking, learning to code-they count too!

Celebrating our 77th Independence Day

On August 15th, India marked its 77th Independence Day, and our school joined in the celebration with a spirited programme. Our principal delivered an inspiring speech, and Joseph Eapen, our dedicated school vice-captain, also shared his thoughts on this historic day. The national anthem echoed with unity and pride, preceding the ceremonial flag hoisting. It was a day of deep patriotism that brought our school community together in commemoration of our Nation's Independence.

Theme
of the year
**"Nation First,
Always First"**
as a part of
the wider
"Azadi Ka
Amrit Mahotsav"
Celebration



School Vice-captain
Joseph Eapen



Ms. Liny Govindankutty



Ms. K.P. Lakshmidevi



Principal Ms. Preetha Venugopal
hoisting the National Flag



Captains at a glance!



Oath taken by the School Captain Merina Lucy Leon along with the Principal,
Ms. Preetha Venugopal



The School Choir



L.P. Section



Ms. Neena Harishankar
Vice-principal



Ms. Suma Kadavil
Headmistress



Ms. Praseetha Rajeev
Section Head



Ms. Sreeja Prasad
Co-curricular in-charge



Ms. Sayujya Rajesh



Editorial

Mrs. Deepthi Menon

Executive Director



Dear Hari Sri family,

The month of August brings with it a feeling of patriotism as it commemorates the day India won her Independence from the British. At Hari Sri too we hoisted the National Flag as our school captain took the pledge which was repeated by the whole school.

The month began with the enthralling Purulia Chhau dance form under the aegis of Spic Macay, an organisation that brings the country together through traditional art forms.

Our Hari Sri teacher-student combo went on to win the first prize at the Social Ideathon conducted by the Sreelakam Lifelong Learning Institute, a matter of great pride for us.

Finally, what a fabulous show our Hari Sri parents put up for the Onam programme! Months of practice and co-ordination ensured that the final show was outstanding, as was evident from the myriad rounds of applause they received for every item.

May their tribe increase!

God bless!

SOCIAL IDEATHON



A Social Ideathon was conducted on 12th August, 2023, at the Sreelakam Lifelong Learning Institute, Cherpu. This Ideathon was part of UNESCO's Learning City programme, in which Thrissur has been nominated as a Global Learning City. Students and teachers from various schools and colleges took part in this event. The topic for the competitive presentation was "Innovative techniques to solve key problems in Thrissur on Education and Youth Development."

The school that bagged the first prize was Hari Sri Vidya Nidhi School, Punkunnam. The teacher representative was **Ms. Sreedevi Nair**, Psychology teacher and the student representative was **Haripriya Hemanth**, a student of the Humanities stream, Plus Two section. Feasible, innovative, and creative ideas ranging from the creation of ecosystem parks, mood metres to track students' mental health to the creation of innovation clubs, bookworm pavilions to promote reading habits in students etc. were put forth by these speakers. Ms. Beena Philip, the Mayor of Kozhikode, graced the occasion and awarded the winning team a seed award of 1 lakh rupees. All the participating teams were awarded 15,000 rupees for their presentations.

As Helen Keller once said, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much!" This social ideathon was an insightful step in the right direction to brainstorm and harness the power of the collective in devising feasible solutions to the problems of youth and education in Thrissur district.

KNOWING THE TRADITIONAL ART FORMS

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Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music And Culture Amongst Youth

SPIC MACAY KERALA

LECTURE DEMONSTRATION

PURULIA CHHAU

BY TARAPADA RAJAK & TEAM

Wednesday, 2nd August, 2023 at Hari Sri Vidya Nidhi School Auditorium

Have every child experience the inspiration and mysticism embodied in Indian and World heritage

46 years



When the vibrant world of Purulia Chhau graced our school, it was an unforgettable experience. The heart of the performance centred on the powerful portrayal of Goddess Durga's triumphant battle against the formidable Mahishasura, leaving the audience in awe of its power and grace. The show commenced with an introduction to local instruments, setting the stage for a cultural journey. As the music flowed, the dancers entered with flamboyant flips, captivating us with their graceful movements. Their costumes, vibrant and unique, added an extra layer of allure to the spectacle. A clear favorite among the students was the portrayal of a majestic lion. Through this captivating performance, we not only celebrated our cultural heritage but were also left with a deeper appreciation for the artistry and significance of Purulia Chhau dance.

The troupe members are as follows -

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| 1. Tamal Kanti Rajak | - Troupe Leader |
| 2. Gopal Mahato | - Dhol |
| 3. Niranjana Majhi | - Dhamsa |
| 4. Sanjoy Kalindi | - Sehnai |
| 5. Bijoy Rajak | - Keyboard |
| 6. Amrit Bouri | - Tasa |
| 7. Rahul Mahato | - Ganesh |
| 8. Nripen Mahato | - Kartik |
| 9. Ambarish Mahato | - Peacock |
| 10. Sukumar Sahis | - Lord Shiva |
| 11. Sitaram Mudi | - Mahishasura |
| 12. Sudarshan Mahato | - Asura |
| 13. Saroj Mahato | - Asura |
| 14. Falgun Sahis | - Maa Durga |
| 15. Sushanta Bouri | - Lion |
| 16. Dayamoy Mahato | - Lord Vishnuji |



Report prepared by Anushka Ram Menon (Class IX)

ONAM PROGRAMME BY THE PARENTS OF HARI SRI

Onam, a festival with decades of tradition that has always taught us humility, self-sacrifice and unity, has once again passed by, leaving behind a trail of joy and contentment.

In Hari Sri Vidya Nidhi, Onam is celebrated with great vigour and pride. This year was no less. On the 25th of August, a colourful gathering of students, parents and teachers crowded the school premises, adorned with bright smiles and cheerful spirits, to take part in the merry-making. A team of creative parents and school captains designed and created impressive pookalam to celebrate the occasion.

Just as much of a tradition as Onam is the Hari Sri tradition of parents putting up a grand performance for their dear Hari Sri-ites. Our mothers and fathers worked tirelessly in the past month to present to us a variety of dance forms and performances keeping the students engaged till the end.

The show began with a classical recital narrating a renowned tale from the Ramayana, featuring Lord Hanuman, the beloved deity of Nalini Valiamma. The dancers' accurate depictions along with their elegant movements were truly mesmerizing.

It was followed by a spectacular fusion dance, combining different forms of dance ranging from Kathakali to the well-known martial arts (Kalari). The constant efforts behind the successful show were clearly visible.

Breaking away from the dances, the next item was a musical medley, merging several melodies to give us a lovely tune to shake our heads to, as they snapped their fingers and tapped their feet with the rhythm. After that was the Thiruvathirakali, presented by our dear mothers as they gracefully moved in circles around the brightly lit lamp.

The contemporary dance drew everyone's attention with its quick, skilled moves and upbeat choices of songs. The crowd cheered and joined in, singing the words out loud and imitating the dancers. In between these performances was a comedic skit, divided into three parts, casting one of our well-loved school teachers, Vipin Sir, who played the role of 'Kuppi', a young lad. Quite hilarious as it already was, the skit reached an absurd end, entertaining the whole lot in the auditorium.

The show soon came to an end. The performers were called up on stage, and Nalini Valiamma extended her heartfelt gratitude towards the parents for such an unforgettable experience. The parents were also conferred a memento on behalf of the school.

We, the students of Hari Sri, are truly grateful for being blessed with such a wonderful set of mentors, guides, and companions whom we can proudly call our family.

Saron Sathesh Menon
XI Humanities



The MCs of the programme:
Ms. Krupa and Mr. Madhu,
Ms. Veena



Thiruvathirakali performance



Pookkalam made by the Captains



Thematic dance performance



The Skit



Group Song



Cinematic Dance



Traditional dance forms



Contemporary dance



King Mahabali's electrifying presence



Audience enthralled!



Different art forms



Flash mob by the Plus Two students



Onam programme team members along with the Founder Principal Ms. Nalini Chandran, Executive Director Ms. Deepti Menon and the the Principal Ms. Preetha Venugopal

FRANK ANTHONY MEMORIAL NATIONAL ICSE LEVEL DEBATE CONTEST 2023



Anagha Suraj Nair of Class X and Ruhi Elia Joseph of Class IX had attended the National Frank Anthony Debate Competition held on 10th July 2023 at Christ Nagar ICSE School in Thiruvananthapuram. They won the best team. Ruhi Elia Joseph was the 1st Runner-up Speaker. The second round of the debate was held on 18th August 2023 at Green Wood High School in Bengaluru, where they performed extremely well.

ISC LEVEL CONTEST



Bhadra Roopchand (XI Hum.) and Rhea Ann Reji (XII Hum.) participated in the preliminary round of Frank Anthony Memorial Debate Competition (ISC level) held at Pallikkoodam School, Kottayam, on 10th July, 2023. They were accompanied by Ms. Bindu Sudheesan who trained them for the competition. They bagged the prize for the best team and Bhadra Roopchand was the best speaker of the competition. They also participated in the zonal level (South Zone) which was hosted by Christ Academy, Bangalore, on the 18th of August, 2023 where they performed well.

WIZ SPELL BEE MEDAL WINNERS



From the left: Karthik K.A., Ryan Raj Kuruvila, Arjun Sandeep, Aditi P. and Panakkal Joseph Ruan

Che Guevara Chess Competition winner:
Sreeparvathy S. (III A) →



രാമായണ മാസാചരണം

Aagney P.A. (Class V A),
reciting the Ramayana
during the assembly in connection
with the Ramayana month.



STORY WRITING CONTEST



Story Writing Competition conducted by the Chamber of Commerce, Women's Wing at the Chamber Shoppers Caravan, Casino Hotel Auditorium on 5th August, 2023. Ayanna Catherine Gilton of Class VI D bagged the First Position and Pranav Krishna P. of Class V C got the third position.

SILVER ZONE OLYMPIAD WINNER

(SCIENCE, MATHS & G.K.)

Krishnaveni Vineesh of Class IV A



**'ആത്മ പ്രതിഭയായ തന്ത്രങ്ങൾ മാധവീകൃത്യുടെ കഥകളിൽ'
പുസ്തക പ്രകാശനം**



ഹൈസ്കൂൾ വിഭാഗം മലയാളം അദ്ധ്യാപിക മായ കൃഷ്ണന്റെ മുന്നോട്ടെടുത്ത പുസ്തകം 'ആത്മ പ്രതിഭയായ തന്ത്രങ്ങൾ മാധവീകൃത്യുടെ കഥകളിൽ', ഹരിശ്രീ സ്കൂൾ മാധ്യമവിഭാഗത്തിൽ പ്രകാശനം ചെയ്തു. എക്സിക്യൂട്ടീവ് ഡയറക്ടർ, ശ്രീമതി ദീപ്തി മേനോൻ, പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽ ശ്രീമതി. പ്രീത ഓണുഗോപാലിനു പുസ്തകം കൈമാറി പ്രകാശനം നിർവ്വഹിച്ചു. നളിനി വല്ലഭയുടെ മഹനീയ സാന്നിധ്യം ചടങ്ങിന്റെ മോടി വർദ്ധിപ്പിച്ചു. ഹരിശ്രീയുടെ സ്വന്തം എഴുത്തുകാരിയെന്ന സ്നേഹ സമ്മാനം മായ ടീച്ചർക്കു നൽകി തന്റെ സ്വതസിദ്ധമായ ശൈലിയിൽ നളിനി വല്ലഭ ചെയ്ത പ്രസംഗം ഹൃദയ സ്പർശിയായിരുന്നു.

Choosing the Right Path

Nandini Paul VIII A



Princess Valerie walked through the corridor with her funny and knowledgeable cousin, King Kape. Princess Valerie was only thirteen; she looked up to her older cousin and saw him as an example of great leadership. Though they belonged to neighbouring kingdoms, she believed their bond was quite congenial. From the time that King Kape's father had passed away, he had inherited the throne. Valerie had graciously requested her cousin to stay at her palace, with the thought of him being lonely at his palace.

One day, Valerie woke up to some shocking news. Her father, King Colin, had been poisoned by an unknown spy and had breathed his last in spite of efforts to save him.

The princess, inconsolable and grieving, sought her cousin so she could talk to him. As she walked through the garden looking for King Kape, she heard a familiar voice.

"Ha! Now I shall take control over this kingdom. No one will stop me! Even that little princess Valerie doesn't know that I killed the King. My plans are finally coming into play!"

It was King Kape- Valerie could immediately tell by the sound of his voice. Shocked, she realized he could spell ruin for her kingdom. Immediately, she warned everyone in the palace about what she had heard, and instructed that the vulnerable be taken to a safehold as quickly as possible.

But somehow, King Kape had come to know about Valerie's warning to the people and quickly thwarted her plans, and taking up arms against her kingdom.

Even at this young age, Valerie realised that she had to protect her subjects and prevent bloodshed at all costs. She wanted peace and harmony, and not war among the two kingdoms. Valerie begged her cousin to spare the lives of her people, in exchange for the kingdom. But King Kape had no intentions of doing this, and remained bent on war.

With no option left, Valerie walked to the centre of the battleground with the soldiers from both kingdoms facing her. Everybody gasped as she removed a dagger from her belt and swung it in midair. What happened next was even more terrifying. Valerie thrust the dagger into her heart, sending the last prayer for the safety of her people. She died instantly, but to no avail. The cruel King Kape waged war on her kingdom. He conquered the land and annexed it to his kingdom.

Two years later, Prince Benrick, who was Valerie's elder brother, returned to his dearest kingdom, only to see another, different ruler in control. Of course it was his cousin. He had heard the news about his father's and his sister's deaths. Anger took over him. Prince Benrick did not want violence, but wanted justice for the deaths of his father and sister. Prince Benrick challenged King Kape to a duel, knowing that he was arrogant enough to accept. Benrick, who was a seasoned swordsman, easily defeated King Kape, who was then banished to a faraway island from which he could not escape. Prince Benrick chose not to place the blame for Kape's actions on his people, and decided to rule as a just leader of both kingdoms, now unified. He reigned as a just and benevolent ruler in honour of his sister's sacrifice to safeguard the subjects of her kingdom.

MORAL: Act wisely. When you do things without caring about how they affect other people, the consequences come back to you, like a boomerang.



Ghanshyam M. X C



Manav Manoj VI B



Aarav Arjun IV A



Abhinav VII D



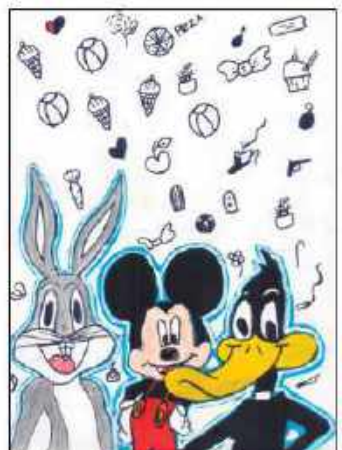
Parthiv N Kumar IV A



Abdulla Bin Sameer VI C



Devika Prasoon XI Sc.



Catherine Rose VII D



Meghna Pravin IX D