



**Mr. Sajeew A. Librarian**

"A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies. The person who never reads lives only one."

- George R.R. Martin

Reading has numerous benefits, which can be categorized into the following:

#### Cognitive Benefits

- To improve vocabulary and language skills
- Enhanced critical thinking and analytical skills
- Better memory and concentration
- Knowledge acquisition and expansion

#### Emotional and Social Benefits

- Relaxation and stress reduction
- Empathy and understanding of different perspectives
- Improved communication skills
- Broadened imagination and creativity

#### Personal and Professional Benefits

- Personal development and self-improvement
- Increased confidence and self-esteem
- Better decision-making skills
- Staying up-to-date with recent trends and knowledge
- Better problem-solving skills

#### Other Benefits

- \* improved focus and discipline
- \* Enhanced creativity and imagination
- \* Enjoyment of entertainment
- \* Prepares individuals for success in various aspects of life

Comparatively our school gives more importance for improving children's reading habits. For this we have arranged two big libraries i.e., LP Section library and Senior children's library. For motivating readers, the School Founder Principal, Ms. Nalini Chandran, introduced a 'Bookworm Award'. Our parents are also very supportive and care about improving their children's reading. On birthdays of the children, parents gift 'one book' to the school library. It helps the present and future children to have a lot of books at their disposal.

So, children, read good books and the daily newspapers. This will transform your mind, and your mind will transform your life.

## TEACHERS' DAY & FOUNDER'S DAY

Our school celebrated Founder's Day and Teachers' Day on the 5th of September 2024 with great enthusiasm, honouring teachers with 10, 15 and 25 years of service. The Principal, Ms. Preetha Venugopal, praised the teachers for their dedication, reaffirming her gratitude to the school's Founder and dedicated educators. The event was concluded with an excellent programme by the junior captains and students from the Plus Two. On the occasion of Teachers' Day Ms. Nalini Chandran, the Founder Principal, graced the occasion. The Executive Committee Members, the CEO, the Executive Director, the Principal, the Administrator and the APT Members attended the function.

The following are the teachers who received awards on the occasion.

#### Ten years

Ms. Henil Jackson, Ms. Swapna P.V., Ms. Vigil Wilson, Ms. Sumitha Ranjith, Ms. Anoop Ramesh, Ms. Saumya Shibin, Ms. Lakshmi Mohandas, Ms. Chinju Ratheesh, Mr. Jessil Varghese, Ms. Sayuja M.V., Ms. Sreedevi Nair

#### Fifteen years

Ms. Neena Harishankar, Mr. Mahesh T.M

#### Twenty five years

Ms. Meena Menon



The awardees with the Founder Principal and Life Member of the Executive Committee, Ms. Nalini Chandran, Executive Director, Ms. Deepti Menon and Principal, Ms. Preetha Venugopal



Founder's Day function



Founder Principal  
Ms. Nalini Chandran



Principal  
Ms. Preetha Venugopal



Emcee:  
Ms. Rajani Menon



Emcee:  
Ms. Pramitha Sijin



Acceptance speech by  
Ms. Meena Menon



Teachers' Day Speech:  
Sriniket C.R., XI Hum.



Vibha Nair, IXD,  
Introductory Speech  
for Recitation



The School Choir with the Music teachers, Ms. Geetha Laxman and Mr. Kiran Prakash P.



Contemporary Dance performance by the Plus One students



**Mrs. Deepthi Menon**

Executive Director



Dear Hari Sri family, September was an auspicious month with the festival of Onam, and all its allied activities, being celebrated in style in school. We witnessed the resplendent Onam programme organised by the ever-enthusiastic parents of Hari Sri, replete with foot-tapping music, colourful dances, a hilarious skit and of course, the advent of King Mahabali. Founder's Day and Teachers' Day were given due importance on the 5th of September, where some of our teachers were honoured for their years of meritorious service. The students also regaled their teachers with a short entertainment programme. Sports activities went on in full swing across the month with many of our children reaching the Nationals in Basketball, Football and Athletics. Our teams also shone in Cricket and Table Tennis. Signing off for now...

# THE ONAM CELEBRATION BY THE STUDENTS



The start of the Onam celebration with the lighting of the lamp

With the receding monsoon, everyone was in a mood to celebrate Onam and Hari Sri is known never to take a back seat during such vibrant events. So, the junior captains, senior captains and students performed a dance which added to the vibrancy, truly capturing the essence of the day. The eye-opener of this dance was that with the intense examinations, there was very little time for practice to make this perfect; however, the students had practised with their heart and soul, making this a wonderful performance. Their dynamic and dulcet moves made it a feast for the eyes. The performance enthralled the audience making them feel each beat flowering into the spirit of Onam. This performance was an enthusiastic start to Hari Sri's 2024 Onam celebration and we all await the plethora of surprises next year as well.

The school was a sea of colour, with the students donning traditional attire and enthusiastically participating in the festivities. The day began with the lower primary students celebrating Onam a day before. As the rest of the school joined in the celebration, the atmosphere was filled with exuberance and joy. The highlight of the day was the dance programme put up by the students of classes XI and XII for their fellow classmates and friends. After the dance programme, foot tapping music was set up for everyone to enjoy themselves. It was a day filled with colourful dresses, dances, and joyous celebrations. The students and faculty alike thoroughly enjoyed the festivities, creating memories that would last a lifetime.

Nakshatra K. Abith, 7A



Maveli blessing the children



'Recitation' in connection with Teachers' Day celebration



High School children's Dance performance



Performance by the Plus One Students



Recitation by the Plus One students



The showcasing of different dance forms by the Plus One children







Group Song by the parents



Cinematic Dance



Folk Dance



Mannequin Dance Performance



Malayalam Skit

## ONAM CELEBRATION BY PARENTS

The enthusiastic Hari Sri parents danced and spread joy and happiness all over the auditorium. Songs giving us goosebumps and the dances giving us energy, it was just like a party. The anchors asked us questions, engaging us throughout the programme. 'Mahabali' gave us sweets and told us about 'The Harvest Festival of Kerala, Onam' and its history. As the LP students were enjoying the Onam Celebration, the UP section and the higher classes had to write their examination, but once we finished our examination, we were sent to the auditorium and it was fun. The UP section and the higher classes got to dance with their friends.

Thank You, dear Parents, for taking your time and effort out for us.

Nakshatra K. Abith, 7A



Nalini Miss praising the parents for their beautiful show



Pookalam team



Various team members receiving mementoes from the school authorities



Onam celebration continues...



Team members receiving the mementoes from the school authorities



'Ranga pooja' - The Classical Dance Performance



Pookkalam prepared by the parents



Performance of 'Kaikotti kali' by the parents



The Programme Co-ordinator Adv. Anilkumar along with the anchors Ms. Renjini and Ms. Sumayya Tanveer



Captains preparing the 'Onapookalam'



Captains sharing happiness along with the APT Team!







## MY FAVOURITE CHARACTER FROM A BOOK



My favourite character from the book 'Malory Towers' is Darrel, the main character's, French teacher. Her name is Mamzelle Dupont. Plump, short and jolly, Mamzelle Dupont can be easily fooled. Mamzelle is also the favourite of all the children because of this. A number of tricks are played on Mamzelle. Even Mamzelle plays a trick on the children. Mamzelle loves to be with the children. She has a hot temper which, once erupted, cools down quickly. Mamzelle has a tender heart. Mamzelle is a favourite of nearly everyone in the school.

Written by Adithi P., IVC  
Colouring: Om T.S. IVC



My favourite character is Harry Potter. He would have lived a normal life if his parents hadn't been killed by Lord Voldemort. He was taken to a school named Hogwarts at the age of eleven. Before that he lived with his Uncle Vernon, Aunt Petunia and his cousin Dudley. When he went to the school he made enemies and friends. His first friends were Hermione and Ron. In the first book, The Sorcerer's Stone, Harry saved potentially all of humanity from terror as Voldemort tried to steal the Sorcerer's stone, so he could live infinitely. In the second book, he also crushed Voldemort with a sword and a book and of course, Fawkes, the phoenix. In the third book, he found out that Sirius Black was his godfather. He also loved Quidditch very much.

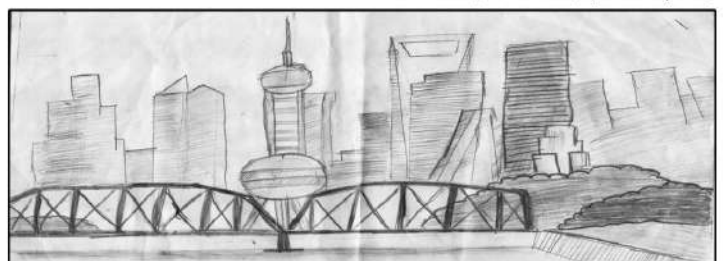
Written by Ryan Raj Kuruvila, IVB  
Illustrated by Daksh Anju Sujith, IVB



Once in a marine kingdom, there was a king. He had three daughters. The elder one was Marine. She was cruel, the middle one was Mia. She was always jealous of her youngest sister. The youngest one was Ariel. She was kind and loved by everyone. One day the king realized that it was almost the end of his lifetime. He decided to crown one of his daughters as the queen, but he was not able to decide. So he decided to test his daughters. The next day he lied to Marine that he was going to meet other kings and to rule the kingdom till then. Marine thought, "I will rule the kingdom, now." When he went out she started her cruelty. She punished people for no reason. She did not know that the king was one of them. The next day he tried the same thing with Mia, but she failed. The next day, without any confidence, he tried it with Ariel, but she "treated everyone with kindness". She gave money to the poor and punished the ones who stole money from the poor people. As the day went past Marine and Mia grew angry at her and they started making trouble, blaming it on Ariel. But no one trusted them. The day when the queen was to be chosen, Marine and Mia thought that they would be the ones. The king said that Ariel would be the queen. Marine and Mia were shocked. They started complaining that they were the older ones. But the king chose the kind one. Ariel was crowned as the queen and they lived happily ever after.

Moral: Be kind to everyone.

Written by Vanshika Pramoth, IVB  
Art work: Abhiram Krishna, IVB



China is one of the largest countries of the world. It has a lot of cities too. In the summer vacation of 2024 I went there and visited a lot of cities. I'm going to talk about my favourite city. My favourite city there is Shanghai. It is a very beautiful city. It also has many tall buildings. I stayed there from April 6 to April 9. I visited many places there. My favourite place was the amazing view of the Shanghai Tower and the Pearl Tower. My parents said we might go up the Pearl Tower but I was a bit sad when we didn't. I also celebrated my birthday there. I'm very lucky too because I was able to go to one of the six Disneylands in the world. Well, maybe not that lucky because my sisters got to go to two of them. Anyway I went to the Shanghai Disneyland Resort. I went on one of the fastest rides, Tron. It was so fast that my sister thought I wasn't breathing. I also went to a place called East Nanjing Road. There was a lot of cool shops like Nike, Adidas, M & M's etc. It was such fun. I love Shanghai and I always will. This is why Shanghai is my favourite city in the world. I will never change that.

Written by Panakal Joseph Ruan, IVD  
Artwork: Aaradhya Dileep, IVD



# INTER HOUSE CULTURAL MEET 2024 (CATEGORY 2 & 3)

The vibrant atmosphere was filled with creativity and talent as students from various classes showcased their skills in a series of cultural competitions held on two separate occasions in August.

On 24th August 2024, the spotlight shifted to the younger students, as Category 2 and 3 Cultural Competitions were conducted for Classes 1 to 5. The energy and enthusiasm were palpable as many young participants took the stage to display their burgeoning talents. The performances impressed the judges, making it a challenging task to decide on the winners.

The winners of both events will go on to represent the school at the Zonal Level Competitions, which are set to be held in October. The anticipation is high, and the community eagerly awaits more dazzling performances from their students.

The cultural competitions were a resounding success, showcasing the diverse talents of the students and fostering a sense of creativity and healthy competition.

-Tarun Sathish Class VIII D

## First Prize Winners from Category 2



Western Dance  
Alankritha Rajesh  
1A



Action Song  
Samara Adarsh  
1A



Rose Antony, II C  
Mal. Rhyme  
Eng. Rhyme  
Pick-n-talk



Colouring  
Nainika Jaideep  
IIC



Story telling  
Devangna K. S.  
IID

## First Prize Winners from Category 3



Eng. Recitation  
Sashank Varma  
VD



Folk Dance  
Alankritha T.A.  
VB



Eng. Elocution  
Aleena  
Mary Gleeson  
VC



Hindi Recitation  
Deepika S.  
Pisharody  
VA



Mal. Elocution  
Eng. Recitation  
Eng. Elocution  
Rose Jones  
VA



Western Solo  
Boys  
Devanarayanan Kanjur  
IVA



Carnatic Music  
Keerthana S.  
Manoj  
IVA



Eastern Solo  
Boys  
Devaj N. Midhun  
IVB



Hindi  
Recitation  
Krishnaja C.L.  
VB



West Solo  
Girls  
Anitha Chacko  
VB



East Solo  
Girls,  
Mal Recitation  
Bhavayami  
VB



## List of Junior Captains 2024-'25

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|-------------------------|------|-------------------------|------|
| 1. Lakshmanram T.S.     | IX D | 11. Athulya P.          | IX A |
| 2. M. Akshay Menon      | IX D | 12. Daivik R. Menon     | IX A |
| 3. Vykha Nair           | IX D | 13. Lakshmi M.R.        | IX A |
| 4. Gauri R. Menon       | IX D | 14. Akarsha G. Nair     | IX A |
| 5. Sravan Krishnan T.P. | IX C | 15. Jonathan Jophy      | IX A |
| 6. Advika Anilkumar     | IX C | 16. Sreehari S.         | IX A |
| 7. Ananya B.            | IX B | 17. Neelmadhav V. Anoop | IX A |
| 8. Vibha Nair           | IX B | 18. Parvathy Menon      | IX C |
| 9. Keerthana M.V.       | IX B |                         |      |
| 10. Mahadev T.M.        | IX B |                         |      |



The Principal Ms. Preetha Venugopal and the Executive Director Ms. Deepti Menon badging the Junior Captains



INTACH (Indian National Trust for Art And Cultural Heritage) District Level Painting Contest 2024 Sreedevi M.P. (Class VIIIA) secured the 2nd Prize.



The newly selected Junior Captains

## BUDDING ARTIST



Advait Rakesh VI B is a talented artist specialising in Acrylic Painting. Recently his painting of 'Swami Ayyappa' was handed over to the Sabarimala Melsanthi. They displayed the painting in the temple premises. At this stage he has drawn more than 70 paintings in this medium.







CISCE National Basketball (U17) participants, Joanna Novin and Aneeva Pradeepan with the Head of the Sports Dept. Sub. Major Dileep Williams (Retd.)



CISCE Under 17 (Girls) E zone Basketball team



CISCE Under 17 (Boys) E zone Basketball runners-up



CISCE Under 14 (Boys) E zone Basketball runners-up



CISCE Regional E-Zone Athletic Meet team with medals



**KERALA (U17) FOOTBALL TEAM REPRESENTATIVES**

Mohammed Laazim and Joseph Joe  
The tournament (National Level) was held at K.E. School, Mannanam in the month of September, 2024.



Rahul Krishna got selected to the CISCE Indian Team to play in SGFI (School Games Federation of India) Badminton Tournament in the Under 19 Category



**KERALA (U19) FOOTBALL TEAM REPRESENTATIVES**

Isaac Abraham Bobby & Astille Pappu John



**CISCE NATIONAL BADMINTON TOURNAMENT KERALA TEAM REPRESENTATIVES FROM HARI SRI VIDYA NIDHI SCHOOL**

The tournament was held at Padukone Sports Complex, Bengaluru.



**CISCE NATIONAL BADMINTON TOURNAMENT**

Tejal K.S. won the Bronze medal in the U(17) Category



**TABLE TENNIS KERALA TEAM REPRESENTATIVE**

Jake Jones participated in the National CISCE Table Tennis Tournament held at Lucknow



**CISCE NATIONAL ATHLETIC MEET HELD AT HYDERABAD**

Sriniket C.R., Vasudev Prasad, Akansha and Shivani Sudheer participated in the meet and Shivani Sudheer secured the Bronze Medal in 100mts. Hurdles (U19).