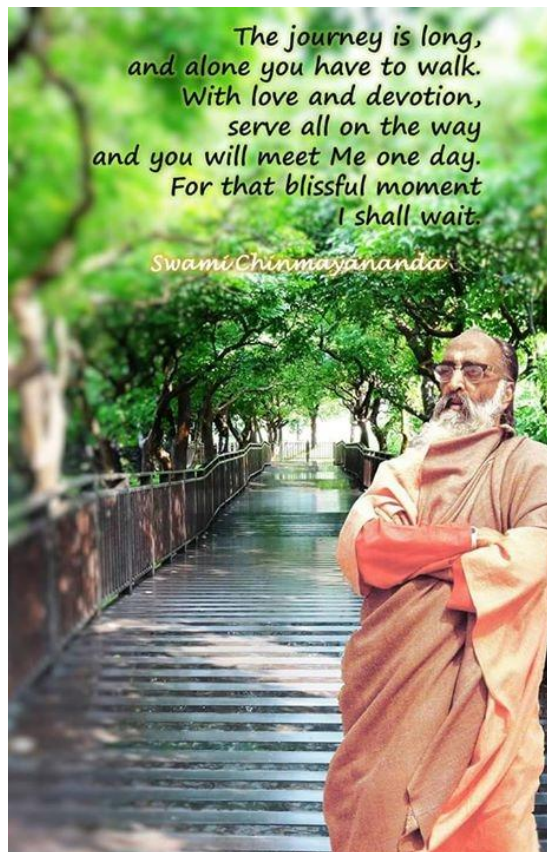




Chinmaya Vidyalaya

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The journey is long, and alone you have to walk.

With Love and devotion, serve all on the way and you will meet Me one day.

For that blissful moment I shall wait.

28th Nov- 2nd Dec 2016: Bhagavad Geeta at School level

Bhagavad Geeta Chanting at the school level continued till 2nd Dec 2016. Our students whole heartedly participated in the competition. External judges and a few teachers judged all the students. It was overwhelming to see that each and every child participated in the competition and was able to recite most of the shlokas.

Kudos to all our Vidyalaya children, a heartfelt thanksgiving to all the teachers involved in this noble endeavour, and to our resident Acharya, Swami. Saakshiroopanandaji who has been instrumental in conducting this competition. It is because of this endeavour that, each and every household that has a child studying in our Vidyalaya, is now able to have access to and is able to recite the Bhagavad Geeta . This is indeed the **“Ghar Ghar Mein Geeta”** program!

5th Dec 2016:

During the assembly proceedings of 5th Dec 2017, Ms. Manasa from the Hindu newspaper spoke on the importance of reading newspapers in our lives. Vidyalaya students were encouraged to subscribe for the student’s edition of the newspaper.

7th Dec 2016: Aqua Regia-Science Quiz

15 teams of two students each were selected for the next round of Aqua Regia, the science quiz organized by the TIME institution held for classes VIII to X held on 7th Dec 2016 at Hari Hara Kala Bhavan. There were around 500 teams from across the city who participated in this competition. Smt. Radharani (TGT) accompanied the participating students.

9th Dec 2016 to 13th Dec 2016: Awards given to Bhagavad Geeta Prize Winners by Swami Saakshiroopanandaji.

Our resident Acharya, Swami Saakshiroopanandaji announced the names of the students who stood in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions in the Bhagavad Geeta Chanting Competition for each and every class. The students were very happy to come on to the stage and receive their certificates and prizes at the hands of Swamiji. The first prize winners from all the classes were henceforth selected to go on to the next stage of the competition, the district level.



Class I prize winners



Class II prize winners



Class III Prize winners



Class IV prize winners



Class V prize winners



Class I to V Geeta chanting winners with Sw.Saakshiroopanandaji



Class VI Prize winners



Class VII Prize winners



Class VIII prize winners



Classes VI to VIII winners with Swamiji



Classes IX and X winners with Swamiji

9th Dec 2016: Six Sigma Fest

Six Sigma is an entrepreneurial fest to provide in-depth knowledge and experience of subjects taught. It gave a rich experience to the students as they were practically getting knowledge of the subjects learnt in class with a social back-up for profits to be donated for a social cause.

Students of class XII put up stalls for accessories, food, posters, tattoos, greeting cards etc. Swami Saakshiroopanandaji inaugurated the fest in the morning. Slots were allocated class wise to all the students from class VI to XI, wherein they could come , have a look around and buy any item that they wished to.

Students of Class VI onwards thoroughly enjoyed the delicacies that were provided by their seniors of Class XII. They also enjoyed playing the games and checked out on the items that were displayed for sale.

Students of class XII were tested on overall aspects with turncoat debates, best manager, Mad Ads etc. Wonderful efforts by the students and teachers of class XII!!!



10th Dec 2016: Geeta Jayanthi and Tapovan Jayanthi Celebrations:

Geeta Jayanthi was celebrated in the Dhyaana Nilayam (Temple) by chanting selected shlokas, totaling to eighteen, one from each chapter of the Bhagavad Geeta. These were chanted throughout the world at the same time for world peace and harmony. In India, it was chanted at 6:00 pm. The Geeta chanting was followed by chanting the Tapovana Shatkam thrice, a tribute to our Parama Guru, Swami Tapovana Maharaj, the guru of our Gurudev.



11th Dec and 18th Dec 2016: Geeta Prachaar Samiti Competitions (Chantings, Essay Writing and Elocution)

Under the guidance of Vignan Bharathi- a voluntary body that has several educational institutions in the twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad, Geeta Prachara Samiti has been celebrating “Bhagavad Geeta” reciting for students and the elderly with an aim to propagate, spread the message of the Bhagavad Geeta and to uphold the values of Hindu tradition and culture.

This year the competitions were conducted on the 11th and 18th of December 2016 at Saraswati Vidya Mandir High School, Khairatabad. These were in the categories of shloka chantings (classes LKG to X), telugu padyalu chantings (classes LKG to IV), essay writing (classes VIII to X) and elocution (classes VIII to X). The essay writing and elocution competitions were in English, Hindi and Telugu languages. A shloka from a particular chapter of the Bhagavad Geeta is picked up for elaboration for the essay and elocution. Many of our Vidyalaya students participated in the above mentioned competitions.



Kindergarten children participating in the Bhagavad Geeta chanting comp.



Primary children participating in the Bhagavad Geeta chanting comp.



Children who participated in Telugu Padyalu with their accompanying teacher.



Children who participated in Essay Writing competition along with their accompanying teacher.



Students who participated in the Geeta Chanting and elocution competitions organized by the Geeta Prachaar Samiti held on 18/12/2016

11th Dec 2016: NVSR Exam.

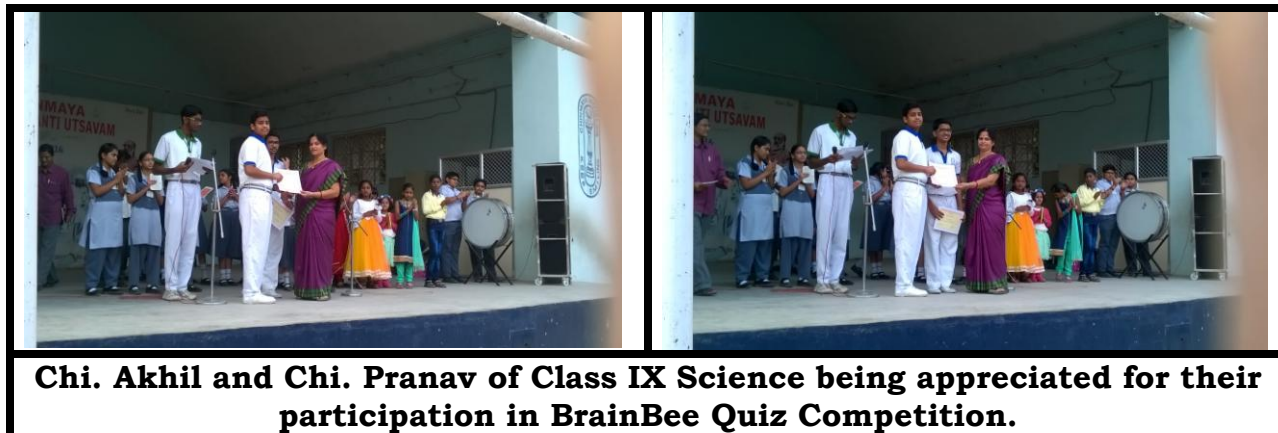
Our Vidyalaya was one of the centers for the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti Recruitment Exam conducted on the 11th of December 2016. This was for the recruitment of teachers into various Navodaya schools across India. A total of

960 candidates were allocated to our Vidyalaya for writing this exam. Our faculty conducted and also invigilated the proceedings of this esteemed examination with diligence and dexterity.

11th Dec 2016 : BrainBee Quiz Competition:

BrainBee is an International Organization that conducts quiz on Neuroscience every year in many countries to inspire students into pursuing neurology. This quiz is for Class XI students with Biology , who are interested in pursuing a career in health sciences. This was conducted on 11th December at NATCO House, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad. Students of more than twenty schools participated in this competition.

Two of our Vidyalaya students; Chi. Sai Akhil Reddy and Chi. V. Pranav, (both of XI Science), accompanied by Smt. Vidyavathi, our Biology faculty represented the Vidyalaya. The Quiz consisted of a written preliminary round, followed by oral rounds, each of which was an elimination round. Both our students cleared the written test, and went on to the next rounds. Chi. Sai Pranav finished fourth at the regional level.



14th Dec 2016- 17th Dec2016: CBSE Regional level, science exhibition at Jubilee Hills Public School.

Two of our students Chi. Sreeja and Chi. Shreya of class IX had won the first place at the inter school science fair held at Euro school , Gachibowli on 12th Nov 2016. Their model of “Ploughing, Seed Sowing and water sprinkling bicycle ” had earned a lot of appreciation. They went on to the next level of participation at the Regional Level. This Science regional level exhibition was held from 15th to 17th December 2016 at Jubilee Hills Public School. Both the students accompanied by our Science faculty, Sri. Durga Prasad attended this three day exhibition. Our students interacted with students from the other schools, derived scientific ideas from their models and also explained their project to all the visitors. All in all, a wonderful experience!

18th Dec 2016: District Level Bhagavad Geeta Chanting Competition

The district level Bhagavad Geeta chanting competition was held on 18th Dec 2016. Almost 100 students from LKG to Class X from the different schools of Hyderabad participated at this level. Children were dressed up in traditional attire; and it was wonderful to see them chanting the Holy Bhagavad Geeta. Judges had a tough time deciding on the winners. The occasion was graced by Pujya Swami Saakshiroopanandaji, who presided over the prize giving ceremony.

Some of our Vidyalaya students also won awards. Chi. Sreekruta of UKG, Chi. Sahasrad of Class IV, Chi. Sahana of Class V, Chi. Krishna Varsha of Class VII and Chi. Vamsi Krishna of Class X were amongst the selected winners of the competition for this year.





Chi. KrishnaVarsha of Class VII

Chi. Vamsi Krishna of Class X

All the parents applauding the winners.

18th Dec 2016: Prize distribution for all the categories of Geeta Prachaar Samiti competitions.

On the 18th of Dec 2016, competitions were held for some categories of the Geeta Prachaar Samiti. Senior children from Class VI onwards had their shloka chantings and elocution competitions on this day. Evening saw the entry of a lot of dignitaries as the stage was prepared for the prize distribution. Many of our Vidyalaya students received medals and prizes in all the different categories. Congratulations to all these students!



Chi. Ganaraj Ganti of UKG

Chi. IswarCharan of class II

Chi. SahasraGayathri of class III

Chi. Hasita of Class II

Chi. Sonal of Class II

Chi. Saroja of Class III



Chi. ShivKarthik of Class III



Chi OmShreyon of Class IV



Some of the Vidyalaya Prize Winners



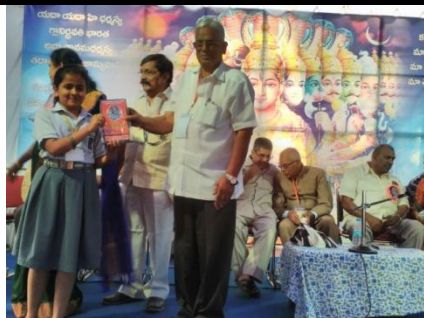
Chi. Srika of Class VII with her Silver Medal



Chi. KrishnaVarsha getting prize for chanting



Chi. KrishnaVarsha getting prize for elocution



Chi. Sahana of Class V



Chi. Arul Menon of Class VIII



Chi. Sadhana of Class VIII



Vidyalaya Teacher accepting prizes on behalf of other prize winners



Standing as one family, bound to each other!



15th Dec 2017: French Olympiad Exam

43 students from Classes VI to X participated in the International French Language Olympiad 2017 held in the Vidyalaya Premises on the 15th of December 2017.

23rd Dec 2016: Group Discussion held at Roots College

Sixteen students from Classes XI and XII, accompanied by two Vidyalaya teachers , Smt. Vidyavathi and Smt. Ranita Saha, participated in GD Pro 2016-17, the group discussion held at Roots College, Somajiguda.

Organized by The Hindu and Manav Rachana Educational Institutions, Faridabad, the event focused on honing students' skills in group discussion which is part of any admission /hiring process.

The competition was held over three rounds; the preliminary, the semi finals and the grand finale.

Almost 700 students from 40 schools in and around Hyderabad participated in this event. 66 students made it to the semifinals and only 12 students could qualify for the Grand Finale. Two of our students, Chi. Kushi Jalan of Class XII Science and Chi. Yashodhan of Class XI Commerce made their way to the Grand Finale. The topic for the GD was “ Is the present youth the key factor in development of a nation?” The twelve finalists shared their views with great clarity and confidence which made it very difficult for the judges to select the winners.

All the participants took back with them GD kits, and a lot of experience. They are waiting to take part in such events in the coming months too.



**Finalists at the Group Discussion on “ Is the present youth the key factor in development of a nation”at Roots College.
Chi. Kushi of Class XII and Chi. Yashodhan of Class XI were part of the finalists.**

27th Dec -31st Dec 2016: INSPIRE Internship Science Camp 2016 at Vivek Vardhini College of Arts, Commerce, Science and Post Graduate studies.

INSPIRE (Innovation in Science Pursuit For Inspired Research) Science Internship Camp is an innovative national programme implemented by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. The main objective of this programme is to motivate young talented students to take up research as a personal undertaking and rub shoulders with the global icons of science. Students of Class XI who were amongst the top 1% in their class X exams and pursuing science in Class XI were eligible to attend this five day camp.

Twenty one students from Class XI science accompanied by two of our Senior Secondary teachers, Smt. Lavanya and Smt. Sunita attended this camp. The theme for this year was “Sustainable Energy Technologies”. Participation in this camp has envisaged a dialogue among various scientific discourses and domains of knowledge , which in turn has immensely benefitted not only the student community but also the teaching fraternity.

150 students across Hyderabad attended this five day camp. Eminent scientists from premier institutes came and presented seminars on various topics such as Forensic Sciences –DNA Finger Printing and Molecular Spectroscopy based on Quantum Physics. The students also had Q/A sessions and an informal interaction with the scientists on all the days. Post lunch, students had hands on sessions on various subjects including math, botany, zoology, physics, chemistry and microbiology. These sessions were fun filled and knowledgeable. All the participants were awarded merit certificates, and came back to the Vidyalaya with a very rich experience and memories of interaction with scientists and research scholars.

30th Dec 2016- Vidyalaya Annual Day at Hari Hara Kala Bhavan.

The Annual Day of Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Kundanbagh, Hyderabad was held on 30th Dec 2016. The theme of the programme was “IndraDhanush”. The

seven colours of the rainbow depicting the seven chakras in the body, and their co-relation with the different elements of nature, was presented through beautiful dances & songs, skits and tableaux, Each class took up one different colour of the Indradhanush, and showcased the different hues of that colour. The chief guest for the event was Sri. NaraSimha Reddy garu, Retired judge of Patna High Court.

The welcome dance showed the seven major dance forms of India. The invocation to Lord Ganesha was done by the students of class XII with a beautiful Ganesha Vandana and students of UKG started off with a very enthusiastic Ganesha dance. LKG students showed a combination of all the colours in the world while Class I showed the different rainbow colours. Class II depicted Violet, while Classes III and IV showed Indigo in the form of a Telugu Skit, Dandia dance and formation dance. Class V showed a tableau- “Anantam, The Infinite” which was defining the infinite Blue colour. “Jago Bharat” was an eye opener to the audience with current topics of Beti Padao, Beti Bachao, demonitization, and celebration of festivals. Some students of Class VIII presented two original patriotic songs- written and composed by them. Also presented was a dance by the students of class VI depicting the ecosystem and the colour green.

The ever vibrant yellow and orange colours were depicted through a yoga display of the Surya Namaskaram-a vedic prayer to the Sun God, The Dashavataram, and the Hanuman Chalisa, which were shown in absolutely breath taking and amazing dance forms. Classes XI and XII depicted the colours of Red, showing the various shades of red- anger, passion, love, compassion, mercy and pride.

The entire audience was recharged with energy . Parents were extremely happy and gave very positive impressions about the program and about the school. Lots of efforts and hard work put in by the students for more than a months time, showed its effects on the dais.

The entire programme was well managed, with everyone left with a feeling of belongingness to one big family.





Welcoming the audience



“Ganesha Vandana” by UKG children



“Colours” dance by LKG



“Rainbow Dance” by Class I



“Friendship dance” by class II



“Telugu Skit and Dance” by Class III



Formation Dance by Class IV



“Anantam –The infinite”- colour Blue by Class V



Original Music Composition by Chi. Arul Menon and group



Beti Bachao, Beti Padao



Namami Gange



Mime act for demonitization



Dance depicting colour green by Class VI



Surya Namaskaram by Class VII



Dashavatara Dance



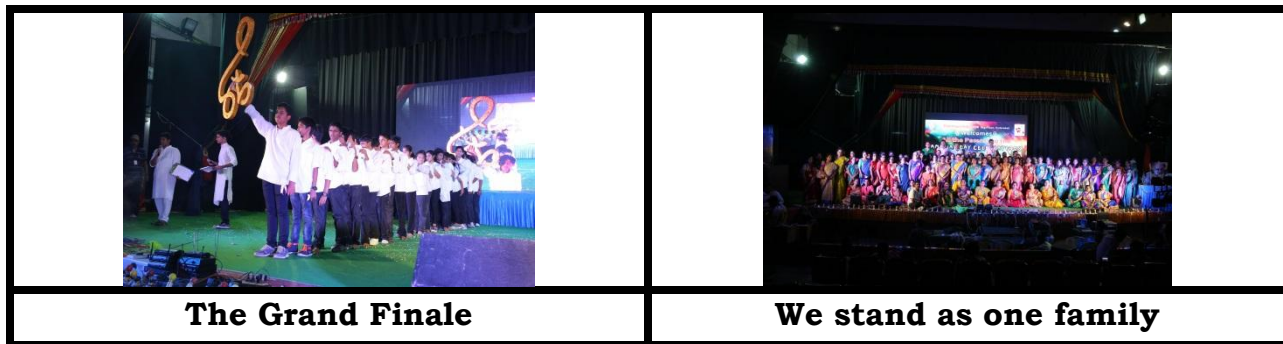
Hanuman Chalisa Dance



Guru Parampara



Colour Red depicted by Classes XI and XII



30th Dec 2016: CCMB- Young innovators Programme 2017

The centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB) organized the Young Innovators Program (YIP) 2017 for school children from classes VIII to X.

This provides the children an opportunity to have close interaction with scientists and firsthand experience of research work.

Two of our Vidyalaya students, Chi. Tanmay Parab and Chi. R. Sai Keerthan, both of class X, were nominated to participate in the initial interactive session on 30th Dec 2016 at CCMB, Habsiguda. They attended a lecture by Dr. S. Shivaji, an eminent scientist, followed by a multiple choice questionnaire.

Chi. Tanmay Parab was then selected for the YIP (Young Innovators program) which was scheduled to be held from the 6th of January to the 20th of January 2017.

Results of the VVM Exam and the Sanskrit Olympiad Exam.

Excellent results were obtained by our Vidyalaya for the Vidyarathi Vigyan Manthan (VVM Exam) conducted on the 20th of Nov 2016. Eight students from Classes VI to XI have been selected from the Vidyalaya for the next level to identify the Vigyan Jigyasu, keen knowledge seeker of Science at a national level.

Three students from Classes VIII have secured extraordinary marks in the Sanskrit Olympiad Exam. Chi. Arul Menon of Class VIII topped the examination at the state level, and stood 5th at the National level. Chi. Debanshi Dwibedi of Class VIII stood 2nd at state level and 5th at the National level and Chi. Sai Nandini of Class VIII stood 5th at the state level and was placed 42nd at national level. These students have been selected to appear for the next level of the Olympiad, ie the National level which is scheduled to be held on the 31st of January 2017.

Congratulations to our Sanskrit teaching staff and students. Good luck to the above three children for appearing for the next level.

Other Awards and Laurels:

Chi. Oorja Nadkarni of Class VI and Chi. Ananya Bharati of Class IX participated in a music comp held at Thyagaraja Gana Sabha on the 11th Dec 2016 by the Guru Parampara organization.

Chi. Indrani Vedam of Class III participated in a BharataNatyam dance competition at the Lakshmi Ganapathy Temple, Vijayanagar Colony; during the Ganapati Navaratri festival. This was organized by the Malaysian Cultural Trust. She won the best performer award.

Chi. Akshita Panda of Class II and Chi. Shlok Kabra of Class I participated in The Gymnastics Competition held at the GHMC Sports Complex on the 18th of Dec 2016. Chi. Akshita received the bronze medal while Chi. Shlok received the gold medal. Congratulations to all the participants and winners.

Chi. K. Sreenidhi of Class V won the third position in the KungFu and Karate National Championship organized by YMCA Secunderabad held on 27th Nov 2016.

	
Chi. Akshita Panda of Class II	Chi. Shlok Kabra of Class I
	
Ch. Indrani of Class III	Chi. Sreenidhi of Class V

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