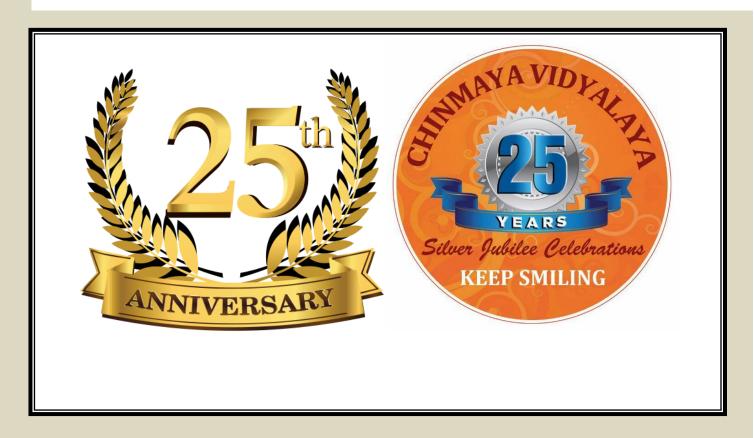


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The world, even if you try to hold onto it, will slip;

GOD, even if you want to leave HIM,

Will not abandon you.

Vidyalaya reopened after the Dussera vacation on the **3**rd of October for the staff members. The hallways and lobbies were filled with students on the 5th of October, when Vidyalaya reopened for them. Students came back, full of enthusiasm and eagerness to participate in all the Vidyalaya activities.

7th October 2017: PTM for Kindergarten

Parent Teacher meeting for students of LKG and UKG was held on 7th October. Parents had a good interaction with the kindergarten teachers and enquired about the progress of their child.

10th October 2017: Painting competition in Panjagutta Police station

A painting competition was organized by the Telangana Police on the 10th Oct 2017 at the Panjagutta Police Station. Fifteen students from our Vidyalaya from classes VI to X, accompanied by Smt. SapnaKumari, and Smt. Rashmi participated in this competition. Topic given to them was "Prevention and Detection of crimes and criminals – the role of C.C. TV cameras".





Vidyalaya students participating in the painting competition organized by the Telangana Police

15th October 2017: Matru Puja:



Matrupuja is a soul stirring annual feature of our institution, which is generally held close to the Navratri –Dussera festival. This year, Matru Puja was held in the Vidyalaya on the 15th of October. Students came along with their mothers, a gesture very well appreciated by everyone.



Mother, the first Guru, from whom all of us learn since the beginning of our life, irrespective of our background or financial status, always deserves the highest respect. That "s why we always respect the saying, "Matru Devo Bhava"- "Treat your mother as God". The Divine Mother is invoked through the MOTHER of the students.

Along with the outgoing students of Class X, some of the other children whose mothers were teachers in the Vidyalaya also participated and performed the puja enthusiastically. One of our primary child, Chi. Vaishnavi of Class IV sang a beautiful song as a tribute to all mothers. Everyone sang the Matru Stavanam, a beautiful composition by our Guruji Swami Tejomayanandaji.

14th October 2017: Science Exhibition organized by Euro School

Euro School organized its 4th Science Expo Competition (LEAD- Learn Explore Apply Design) 2017 on the 14th of Oct 2017 in its school campus at Gachibowli . The exhibition was open for students of Classes VI to X. Six teams from the Vidyalaya, accompanied by Science teacher Sri. DurgaPrasad participated in this event.

This was a great opportunity for the students to enhance and display their creative & innovative skills. It also offered an opportunity for the students to acquire skills related to team work, presentation and communication.

Visit of Acharyas:

October saw the presence of many acharyas of the Chinmaya Mission in this holy premises of Saandeepany Kailas including the two main towering personalities of the Mission; Swami Tejomayanandaji and Swami Swaroopanandaji. 22nd to 29th Oct 2017 saw a Geeta Gyana Yagna by Guruju- Swami Tejomayanandaji on the 16th chapter of Bhagavad Geeta in the evenings. 23rd to 29th

October saw talks on Meditation and MahaMrutyunjaya Mantram in the mornings by Swami Swaroopanandaji- our Mukhya Swamiji who has taken over the reins as the global head of Chinmaya Mission from the hands of Guruji. Venue for both these talks was Visveswaraya Bhavan – The Institute of Engineers, Khairatabad.



Vidyalaya child welcoming Pujya Guruji, Swami Tejomayanandaji



Vidyalaya children welcoming Pujya Swami Swaroopanandaji and Pujya Swami Chidatmanandaji

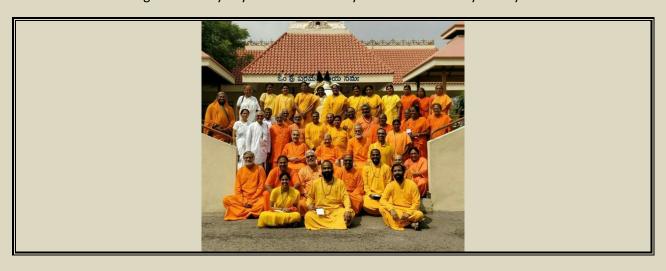
The melodious voice of Pujya Guruji, in combination with the towering voice of Mukhya Swamiji proved to be a crowd puller. Pujya Guruji captivated the audience with his simple and creative explanations. Each verse was expounded with inspiring examples from the Puranas and humourous, practical incidents from daily life. Swami Swaroopanandaji spoke on the MahaMrutyunjaya Mantra and concluded each discourse with guided meditation. He also delivered a management talk on "Exceeding Excellence" to executives of corporate and business houses, urging them to adopt value based techniques. Audience enjoyed every minute of their talks. Vidyalaya teachers volunteered their services during both the times, putting up an example of Sewa Bhavana, to be followed by the children.





Pujya Guruji during his talks on 16th chapter of Bhagavad Geeta

These talks were attended by many other acharyas also who came from various parts of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh. They also attended the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of our Vidyalaya. It was indeed a blessing for the Vidyalaya to be trodden by the feet of so many acharyas this October.



Swami Swaroopanandaji's visit to the Vidyalaya:

Swami Swaroopanandaji- the Mukhya swamij of Chinmaya Mission and the chairman of CIRS-Chinmaya International Residential School – Coimbatore visited our Vidyalaya. He met all the teachers in a small session arranged in the A/V room of the Saraswati Nilayam and shared a few insights about the relationship between teachers and students, by giving his own personal experiences both as a student and as an educationalist taking care of CIRS.



Swami Swaroopanandaji visiting the library and interacting with the library teachers



Swamiji having a look at the pictures that were to be put up for the art gallery.

Swamiji visited the library, and interacted with the library teachers. He appreciated the manner in which books were organized and handed over to the students and the meticulous manner in which all the records were maintained.



Swamiji blessing Chi Debanshi Dwibedi and our Sanskrit teacher, Smt. Rashmi



Swamiji interacting with the students of the secondary section

Swami Swaroopanandaji blessed Chi. Debanshi Dwibedi of Class IX, who was the topper in the Sanskrit Olympiad Examination. He also had a look at the pictures that were to be put up in the art gallery. Later Swamiji also interacted with the students of the primary and secondary sections.







Swami Swaroopanandaji interacting with the Vidyalaya students in their classrooms

Some of our Vidyalaya teachers got an opportunity to meet the acharyas, spend some time with them and seek their blessings. Chi. Debanshi of Class IX also got an opportunity to meet Pujya Guruji, Swami Tejomayanandaji, show him her medals and certificates for being the winner in the National Sanskrit Olympiad, and take his blessings.



Vidyalaya teachers with Pujya Guruji



Vidyalaya teachers taking blessings of Swami Swaroopanandaji



Chi. Debanshi being blessed by Pujya Guruji.

Visit of the Vidyalaya students to studio:

Two students from the primary section—Chi. Ganaraj Ganti if class I and Chi. Medhini. C of Class II gave the voiceover for the invitation card and invited all the parents, staff and dignitaries for the silver jubilee celebrations. The invitation card was designed by two of our Vidyalaya students- Chi. Hitesh of Class XI and Chi. Shreeyansh of Class XII. Invitation also included the Vidyalaya song sung by a few students of Class IV to Class VIII in the background which was supported by musical instruments, the drums, the keyboard and the flute. Their voice was recorded in a recording studio at Srinagar colony.



Silver Jubilee Celebrations in Sathya Sai Nigamagamam on 28th October:

Its been 25 years since Chinmaya Vidyalaya Begumpet started imparting holistic education to the next generations. Its growth over the past few years has been tremendous. There are a lot of factors that contribute to the glory of the Vidyalaya. A small attempt was made to showcase all these years in a nutshell .



Vidyalaya

Satya Sai Nagamagamam was the venue for the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the Vidyalaya on the 28th of October 2017. The occasion was graced by the presence of many mission acharyas, who also attended the daily talks by Pujya Guruji Swami Tejomayanandaji and Mukhya Swamiji Swaroopanandaji.



After a traditional welcome with the Poorna Kumbham and the TaalaPoli, and then a formal welcome by the students of the pilot march, all the acharyas were escorted for the flag hoisting of the Vidyalaya flag, accompanied by the rendition of the Vidyalaya song by a few students of Classes III to VIII, accompanied on musical instruments, again by our own students.

Acharyas were then escorted to the main hall of the auditorium by the Chief sevek- Sri. Ravindranath Kajjamji, Correspondant- Sri. HariPrasad garu, Academic advisor- Smt. Valli Prasannagaru, the Principal – Smt. Vani garu and the vice principal- Smt. Umakalyani garu; after inaugurating the art gallery which consisted of paintings done by the students of the secondary wing of the Vidyalaya depicting pictures and portraits from the life of Gurudev right from his infancy till the time prior to his Mahasamadhi.



After lighting the lamp, Guruji and Mukhya Swamiji released the Vidyalaya Silver Jubilee sovenier, "Chinmaya Pushpa Manjari" and they also launched the Vidyalaya song as a ringtone.



Cultural activities by the students started with a welcome dance- the Chinmaya Ashtakam in the form of a Kuchpudi dance . Lord Brahma came down to Bhooloka along with his assistant- 'Siddha- the leapord' to have a look at the activities being conducted in the Vidyalayas opened by the jewel of His creation- Swami Chinmayananda. Skits, dances, festival celebrations , music rendition, explanation of Geeta shlokas , national integrity, a brief presentation about the journey of the Vidyalaya in the past 25 years, right from the time of its inception.....all of them were put up in a nutshell, and these presentations formed the silver jubilee celebrations of our Vidyalaya.



In accordance with the Chinmaya Vision principles for the holistic development of every student of the Vidyalaya, an integrated development of the child happens only when there is physical, mental, intellectual and spiritual development. Yoga as a means of all these, was exhibited by the boys of the secondary section of the Vidyalaya.



Children of the primary section from Class I to Class V performed a medely of dance forms, beginning with Ganesh Chaturthi, and moving on to Bonalu, Bathukammma, Navratri-Dussera, Deepawali and finally to Sankranthi. All these festivals are also celebrated in our Vidyalaya. A myriad of vibrant dance forms was performed by all these children with very beautiful backgrounds of the

Vidyalaya children celebrating all these festivals in our premises, depicted on the LED screens; specially put up for this occasion.

One of the Pancharatna Keertanas of Saint Tyagaraja "Yandaro Mahanubhavulu" was rendered by the students of the secondary section. Giving a glimpse of the Tyagaraja Aradhana Utsavam celebrated in the Vidyalaya, fond memories of all the eminent personalities and musicians who were part of these festivities over the past years were recalled.



Medely of festivals- students of Classes I to V presenting various dance forms.



"Yandaro Mahanubhavulu"- blissful music to the soul, rendering happiness all around.

Lord Krishna mesmerised the gopoikas with his melodious flute. Speaking of Lord Krishna, the essence of the entire Bhagavatham can be told in one single shloka. Ek Shloki Bhagavatham was a musical drama involving students of the Vidyalaya from the Kindergarten section till the senior secondary section. The life of Lord Krishna was depicted from the time of His birth until he gave the upadesam for the Bhagavad Geeta along with a glance of His Vishwaroopam. The youngest participant in our silver Jubilee celebrations was one year old Chi. Nandana – the little Krishna of Ek Shloki Bhagavatam. The entire backstage was packed with the participants of this mega event, and were very much jubiliant and enthusiastic when Swamy Swaroopanandaji came around to encourage them.





Transporting ourselves back from the Dwapara Yuga to the Kali Yuga where the underlying dictum even now is "Goodness prevails", students of Class IX and X enacted a small skit about Swacchhta, Sundarta and Divyata, part of our Honourable Prime Minister's vision of Swaccha Bharat. Also showcased were other social issues like gender discrimination and adult education in the form of a street play, mime show and a group folk song.



Students of the street pay focusing on cleanliness



Students who were part of the social issues, looking out for a better country.



Students performing a skit on gender discrimination



Students rendering a folk song on adult education

Two students, Chi. Tejaswini of Class X and Chi. Siddharth of Class XII of our Vidyalaya made a humble attempt to convey the meanings of two chosen shlokas of the Bhagavad Geeta, as part of the relay yagna or gyana yagna as a condusive platform of expression being provided to every individual to express his or her insights about their chosen holy texts.



Relay yagna by Chi. Siddharth of Class XII



Relay yagna by Chi. Tejaswini of Class XII

Students of the senior secondary section put up foot tapping numbers beginning with a classical dance, and effectively merging with the bhangra, the garbha and the lavani folk dances. All of these culminated into the formation of our country- Bharat.



Folk dance by students of Class XI and XII.



Bharat humko jaan se pyaara hai.....sab se pyaara desh hamara hai

The grand finale had 25 students on stage, each student depicting each year of the Vidyalaya from the first academic year that began in 1993 till the present year 2017. The CV flag was passed on from one student to another symbolising that the Vision of Gurudev continues through them year after year. Each batch of students will be the torch bearers of Pujya Gurudev's vision to the world. Children made a formation of CV and the charecterisctic OM symbol of our Gurudev.



Grand Finale with 25 students passing on the vidyalaya flag from one to another.



Lamps making Gurudev's charecteristic OM symbol

The program concluded with the Shanthi Path being rendered by the students of the Vidyalaya choir, accompanied by all the students of the alumni who attended that day. The day's event was also

attended by many of our previous teachers and principals. It has indeed been a whole hearted presentation by the Vidyalaya staff and students, enthralled by the presence of all acharyas-- a tribute to Gurudev on this Silver jubilee celebrations.



Shanti Path by the choir students



Vidyalaya alumni students with teachers of their alma mater

29th Oct 2017: State level of Bharat Vikas Parishad:

The state level competition for the prestigious music competition organized by Bharat Vikas Parishad was held on 29th October 2017 at Shanthi Nagar, Kukkatpally.

Vidyalaya students had participated in the preliminary rounds of this competition held on the 4th of September at Sagi Ramakrishna Raju Kalyana Mandapam, Madhuranagar, Hyderabad. Students who participated in the Regional Language Song Category had won the first place and were to represent the Vidyalaya at the state level.

Eight students from our Vidyalaya children accompanied by our music teacher, Smt. Rajeswari, our PT Sir, Sri Suresh (who plays the dappu), and Chi. Arul of Class IX who played the harmonium rendered a song on "Adult Education". This song won the 2nd place. Children were awarded books and the school was awarded a trophy. The chief guests of this event included Sri. Aditya Prasad who has served as All India Radio Chief for the past 35 years, Sri. V.N.Aditya from the film industry and Sri Suresh Jain who was a national member of the Bharat Vikas Parishad.

Congratulations to our students and music department.



Vidyalaya students got the second prize at the state level for the Bharat Vikas Parishad competition



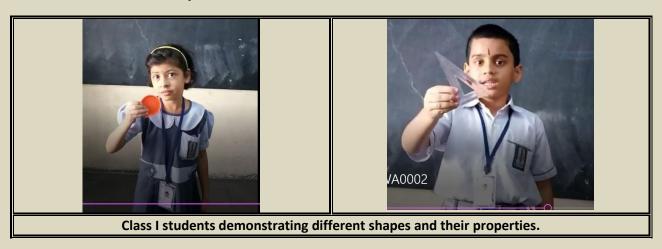
Swami Saakshiroopanandaji felicitating the students and teachers



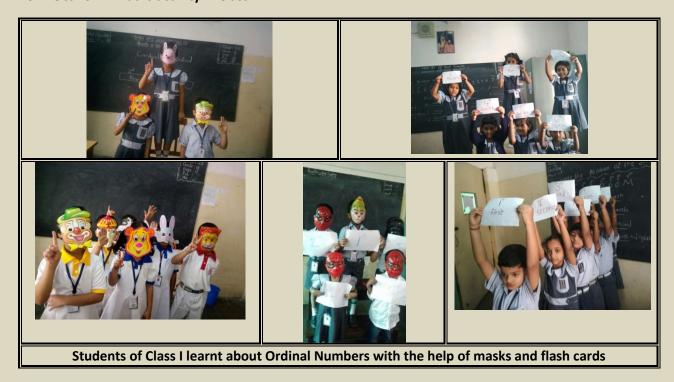
The team of Vidyalaya students who won second prize at state level for the Bharat Vikas Parishad competition with their mentors.

Classroom Activities:

12th Oct 2017: Maths activity in Class I



31st Oct 2017: Maths activity in Class I



Kindergarten Section:

6th Oct: Yellow colour day in LKG:

It was yellow, yellow, yellow everywhere!. The classrooms were yellow, the decorations were yellow, things that children learnt were yellow, and the toys they played with were yellow. Moreover, teachers and students alike came dressed up in yellow colour. It was indeed a innovative way of learning about the colour "Yellow"



13th October 2017: Role play as Community helpers.

Did you know that its very difficult to thank community helpers for all the help they render to society? Surprisingly, all the Vidyalaya staff could see so many helpers in one single place. The LKG students came dressed up as community helpers, some as policemen, some as doctors, a few as postmen, some as milkmen, chefs and so on. Very good attempt by the staff and students of this wing.



17th Oct 2017: Deepawali Celebrations in Kindergarten.

Vidyalaya students of the Kindergarten section came beautifully dressed up in traditional attaire for celebrating the festival of lights- Deepawali.



Classrooms and lobby boards were decorated with diyas and festoons, crackers and sweetmeats, with vibrant colours, signifying the happiness that the festival brings along with it.



Lamps were lit, and the lamps of knowledge were ignited, dispensing the fear of darkness. Keeping in mind the need of today's environment of eco friendly Deepawali, teachers also led the children in bursting a few sparklers and flowerpots and welcomed Goddess Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth.



Other awards and Laurels:

Chi. Shravan Kumar of Class VII participated in the 63rd Interschool District level Sports & Games tournament 2017-2018 in the Under-14 boys badminton event held at L B Stadium on the 20th and 21st of October 2017 and secured the third position. He is qualified to participate in the state level competition now.



Until Our Next Issue : Keep Smiling

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