



Chinmaya Vidyalaya

Kundanbagh, Begumpet, Hyderabad-500016

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**You are ordinary or extraordinary
depending on your attitude
towards the situations you face and
how you respond to the challenges in life.**

October brings about with it exams....also holidays!!! October reminds us of the Father of our Nation- Gandhiji and also of our Nation's second Prime Minister Sri Lal Bahadur Shastriji , who gave us the slogan of "Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan". The state festival of vibrant, colourful Bathukamma along with the nine forms of the divine Mother Goddess – Navratri, culminating into the festival of Dussera is remembered with the onset of the month of October.

1st October 2018:

Vidyalaya students paid their tribute to Mahatma Gandhiji on the occasion of his 149th birthday. Chi. Arunima of Class IX rendered the bhajan "Vaishnava Jana To" during the morning assembly. Sri Lal Bahadur Shastri's contribution to our country was also recounted.

TOI-NIE- the student edition of Times of India conducted an aptitude test for the students of Class IV to IX . It consisted of multiple choice questions on reasoning and science.

4th to 8th October 2018 : Bhagavad Geeta Chanting Competition:

The new academic session of the Vidyalaya in April 2018 saw the start of the MokshaSanyasa Yoga- 18th chapter of Bhagavad Geeta during the morning assembly time. Being a huge chapter of 78 shlokas, children were divided into different categories. Category A had students of LKG, UKG and Class I. They had to chant 12 shlokas. Students of Classes II, III and IV , forming category B had to chant shlokas from 1 to 19. Students of Class V, VI and VII formed Category C and had to chant shlokas from 18 to 45 . Students of Classes VIII , IX and X had to chant 38 shlokas from 41 to 78.



Board decoration in the ground floor lobby

External judges with an expertise on Bhagavad Geeta came to the Vidyalaya on the morning of 4th October 2018. There was an inaugural function wherein Swami Saakshiroopanandaji and Principal Madam, Smt. Vani presided over for lighting the lamp. Class V A students chanted a few shlokas of the 18th chapter.



Inagural Function of Bhagavad Geeta Chanting

Over a span of four days, the judges visited all the classes right from LKG to Class X, and heard the chanting of the 18th chapter, from all the students of the Vidyalaya. Based on this, they have selected the first and second places per class. Swami Saakshiroopanandaji also interacted with students and asked them a few questions. Children were very happy to talk to Swamiji. The top student from each class was selected to go on to the next level-district level.





Prize winners of Bhagavad Geeta competition

4th October 2018: Counselling Session for students of Class X:

Vidyalaya invited Smt. Shubha Ramaswamy, a clinical psychologist, focussed on child psychology; and working with Roshani Counselling Centre in Begumpet to take a counselling session for the students of Class X. She had an interactive session with Class X students on the 4th of October from 10:00 am to 12:00 am.



Career counselling session by Smt. Shubha Ramaswamy for Class X students

6th October 2018: Participation in Boys U-19 Basketball Tournament:

11 students of Classes XI and XII , accompanied by Sri. Praveen, PT faculty from GMR, Shamshabad Chinmaya Vidyalaya, participated in the Under-19 Boys Basketball Tournament on 6th October 2018. The event was held at Indus Universal School, Sainikpuri, Secunderabad.



Boys U-19 Basketball Team

9th October 2018: Participation in Girls U-19 Basketball Tournament:

7 students of Classes XI and XII , accompanied by Sri. Praveen, PT faculty from GMR, Shamshabad Chinmaya Vidyalaya, participated in the Under-19 Girls Basketball Tournament on 9th October 2018. The event was held at Obul Reddy Public School, Jubilee Hills.



Under-19 Girls Basketball Team

9th October 2018: Dussera and Bathukamma Celebrations in the Vidyalaya:



Ground Floor Lobby Board Decoration on the occasion of Dussera

Vidyalaya wore a festive look as the Dussera festival, depicting the victory of good over evil was celebrated in the Vidyalaya. Children came dressed up in traditional attire. Morning assembly saw a combination of songs and beautiful dances rhythmically done by the children. The significance of this festival was explained by Class XI students, Chi. AnanyaBharati and Chi. Tejaswini. A dance was performed on the shlokas of Mahishasura Mardini stotram by Chi. Sruti, Chi. Tanmayee and Chi. Devarshini of Class IX. Primary children danced around Bathukammas and depicted the vibrance and colours of this floral festival.



Dussera Celebrations during the morning assembly of the Vidyalaya

The last working day for the students in this semester concluded with these celebrations. Sishu Vatika children danced around the Bathukammas, in their wing along with their teachers. Primary children made the Bathukammas as part of the CCA activity, and later had a great time, with the teachers guiding them to dance rhythmically around the Bathukammas that they made. Secondary and Higher Secondary students also celebrated this floral festival of our state in the Vidyalaya grounds.







Primary children making Bathukammas







Middle school children during Dussera celebrations





Primary children playing Bathukamma





Middle school and High School children playing Bathukamma



Senior Secondary children playing Bathukamma

Vidyalaya teachers also participated in these celebrations.



A variety of flowers could be seen in the vibrant Bathukammas made by them. Children and teachers danced around these Bathukammas and revived beautiful moments that they spend every year together, celebrating this festival of multi coloured flowers, signifying all the shades of human emotions, all the ups and downs of life, and finally coming out with a vibrance of smiles all around, inspite of tough situations.

10th October 2018: Samishtha Lalitha Sahasranamam chanting

Dussera vacation for the Vidyalaya children began on the 10th of October. Vidyalaya closed for this term after the traditional puja performed to the Divine Mother Goddess on the first day after the start of the Navratri festival. Swami Saakshiroopanandaji guided the staff in doing the initial Ganapati puja and invoking the Divine Mother by the chanting of the ashtotram . Later the entire staff got together for the chanting of Lalita Sahasranamam. A few bhajans were rendered by the teachers and later prasadam was distributed.





Teachers participating in the Dusseera puja and Lalitha Sahasranama chanting

This was indeed a spectacular and speechless environment, recharged with divinity, the only sounds being the reverberations of the names of the Mother Goddess.

24th October 2018: Vidyalaya reopens after vacation:

Vidyalaya reopened after the vacation for both staff and students on the 24th of October 2018. Children were very enthusiastic about coming back to the Vidyalaya and meeting their friends and teachers, sharing their experiences, the places they visited and the people whom they met. Any vacation for children is always a time to relax and come back to academics with extra energy. Similarly, any vacation for the teacher too, is a time to rejuvenate themselves and come back to the Vidyalaya with renewed energy, ready to impart it to our dear children.

27th October 2018: PTM for Classes I to XII:

Parent teacher meeting(PTM) for interacting with the parents of students of class I to Class X was held on 27th October 2018. Parents met the respective class teachers and subject teachers, spoke to them regarding the progress of the child, both academic wise and in other extra curricular activities as well.

29th -31st October 2018: Academic Inspection of the Vidyalaya:

Two senior teachers, associated with Chinmaya Mission , and more specifically, the Education Cell, visited our Vidyalaya from the 29th to 31st of October 2018, for an academic inspection. Smt. LakshmiGouri- Principal, Chinmaya Vidyalaya-Annanagar, Chennai and Smt. Radha Mohan- a very senior educationist, were escorted to the Vidyalaya by the students of the pilot march. They were welcomed with bouquets during the morning assembly of the Vidyalaya. Thereafter, they also spoke a few words to all the staff and students gathered there.



Dignitaries welcomed with floral bouquets



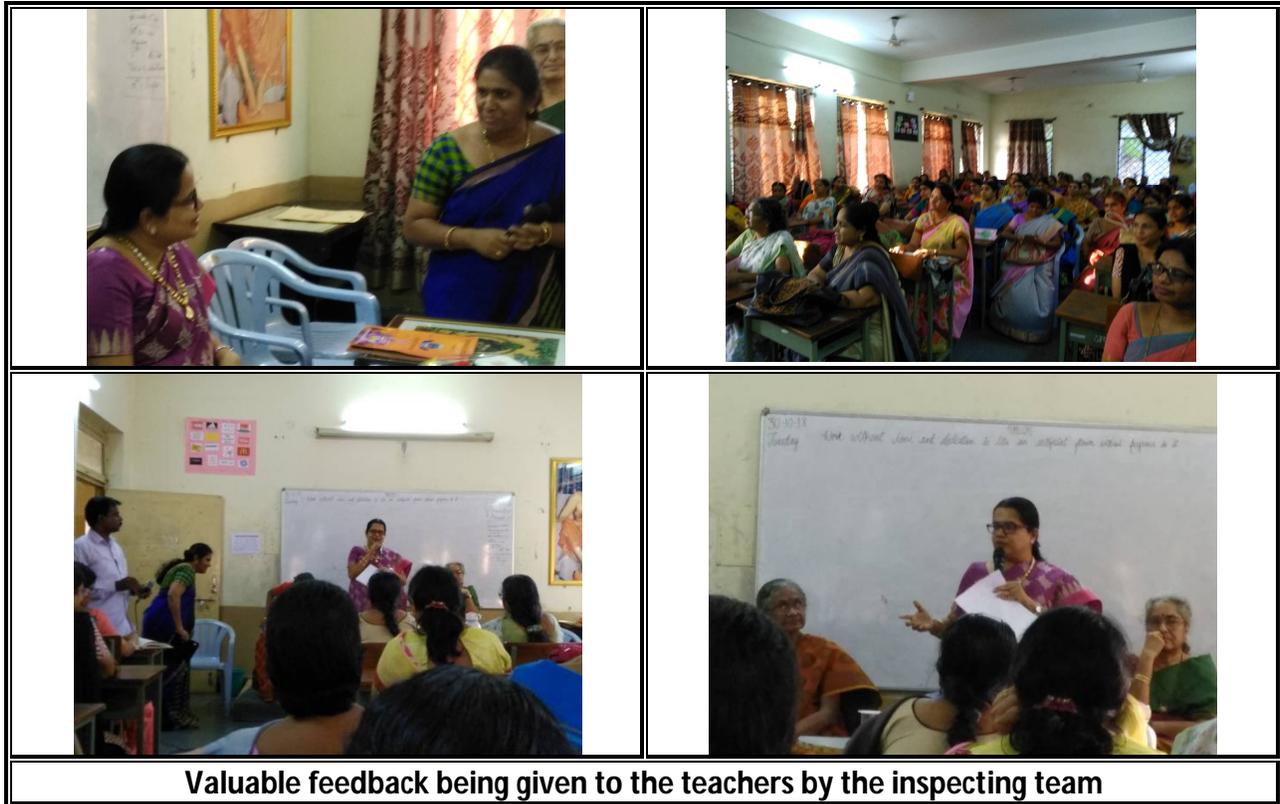
Bhajans rendered during the morning assembly



Board decoration in the first floor lobby

The academic inspectors visited all the classes from primary (Class I to V) in the first floor, ShishuVatika (Kindergarten wing), Middle school (Classes VI to VIII) in the Annex, High School (IX and X) in the second floor and the Senior Secondary wing (Classes XI and XII) in the Saraswathi Nilayam. They observed the teaching of every single teacher, observed the MPT, met the council members and heard songs and Bhajans rendered by students, (trained by the music department). The entire first floor reverberated with the divine voices of these students, as they rendered prize winning songs with accompanying instruments. They also interacted with students of each class as they observed the teachers and took down notes for their feedback. Interaction with the parents of students also provided the feedback needed by them to help us take the Vidyalaya to greater heights.

Smt. GowriLakshmi and Smt. Radha Mohan later had an interactive session with all the teachers and gave their suggestions for the betterment of the Vidyalaya.



Valuable feedback being given to the teachers by the inspecting team

As a token of gratitude and appreciation, Vidyalaya has presented both of our inspection teachers, a picture done by our secondary students and a copy each of the "Chinmaya Pushpamanjari" book which is a souvenir of our silver jubilee celebrations.



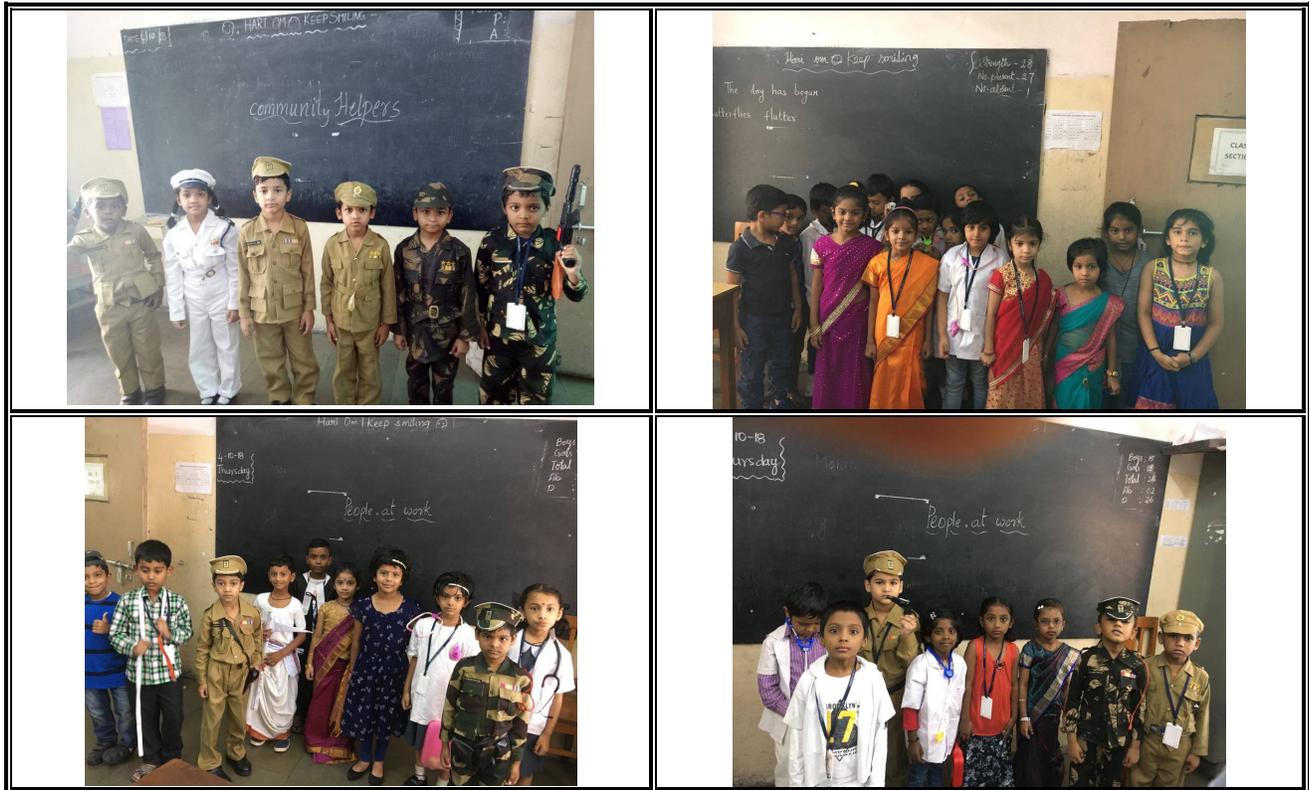
Showing our appreciation to Smt. LakshmiGouri and Smt. RadhaMohan

Classroom Activities:

EVS Activity in Class I:

Students of Class I came dressed up as community helpers, and showed their concern for the society. They showed that each and every person in this society is very important and has a role to play. Be it doctors, teachers, army personnel, soldiers, farmers etc, children came dressed up and explained their importance.





Kindergarten Section:

9th October 2018: Bathukamma Celebrations:

SishuVatika children came dressed in traditional attire and danced around the Bathukammas, some of which were made by our teachers , and a few others that were got by the students themselves. Teachers also guided the children and played Bathukamma along with them, praying to the Divine Mother to keep guiding us on the path of righteousness.





Bathukamma Celebrations in the Sishu Vihar wing

Other awards and Laurels:

Chi. Dhanwinn of Class VIII participated in the District level Interschool Sports & Games tournament 2018-2019 in the Under-14 boys badminton event held at L B Stadium on the 28th and 29st of October 2018 and secured the first position. He is qualified to participate in the state level competition now.



Chi. Dhanwinn of Class VIII

Chi. Ananya C , Chi. SriHarshitha and Chi. Dhvani of Class VI participated in the 12th National Competition - Kolor Champ' 18 organized by 'Global Art' (which is part of the SIP Academy) on 28th October 2018. They received a participation certificate, a medal and a participation trophy. In addition, Chi. Dhvani was also awarded the 3rd runner up Graduation trophy.



Chi. Ananya of Class VI

Chi. Harshitha of Class VI

Chi. Dhvani of Class VI

Chi. Krishna Sree Vallabh of Class VIII got his name into the Guinness Book of World records by making the maximum number of kicks in one hour in an event organized by "Guinness World Record" at Patancharu playground on 26th January 2018. He made 1399 kicks in one hour. He received a certificate and a memento.



Chi. Krishna Sree Vallabh of Class VIII

Until Our Next Issue : Keep Smiling

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