

TIPS LOGUE

THE INDIAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Chennai Main | Perungudi campus | PYP

IN TOUCH IN TUNE

As we step into August, we're filled with optimism for the fresh opportunities and experiences that await us. Let's embrace this month with enthusiasm and a shared dedication to growth and discovery.

This month, we marked several significant milestones that have strengthened our school community. Our Independence Day celebrations highlighted the core values of freedom and unity, while Friendship Day allowed us to honor the importance of kindness and mutual support within our school.

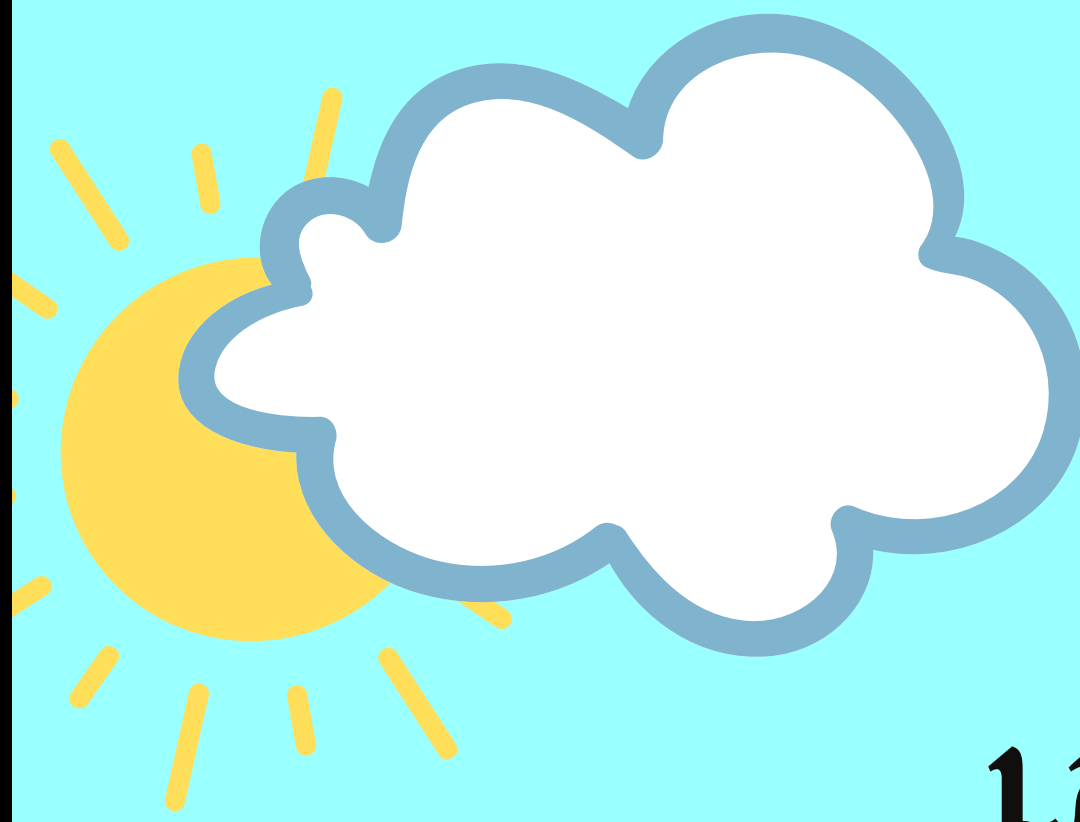
We are thrilled about the exciting opportunities on the horizon. Students participated in the Track Fest in Oragadam, where they demonstrated impressive athletic skills and team spirit. We also celebrated the Student Leadership Conference (SLC), where students presented their ideas to parents, highlighting their creativity and leadership abilities, which created great excitement and enthusiasm among them.

Looking forward, we are eager for more moments of growth, learning, and joy.

The enthusiasm of our students, eager to explore new topics and reconnect with peers, makes this an exciting time for everyone.

Here's to a continued journey of inspiration and achievement throughout the school year!

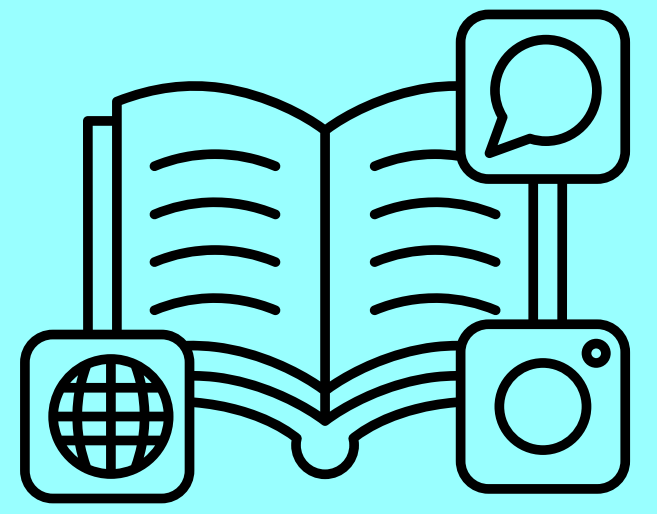




BITS AND BYTES

ENGLISH

LANGUAGE SKILLS



Language skills refer to the ability to communicate effectively through a language. These skills are important because they help us understand others and express ourselves clearly. They are typically divided into four main components: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Each of these skills plays a crucial role in effective communication and overall language proficiency. Recently, our first graders learnt about plurals, which is the concept of indicating more than one item. Understanding and using plurals helps them communicate more precisely about quantities. The students practiced the concept of plurals by listing examples of singular and plural words. They were able to relate their learning about plurals to the real life objects, showcasing their understanding about the concept of more than one.

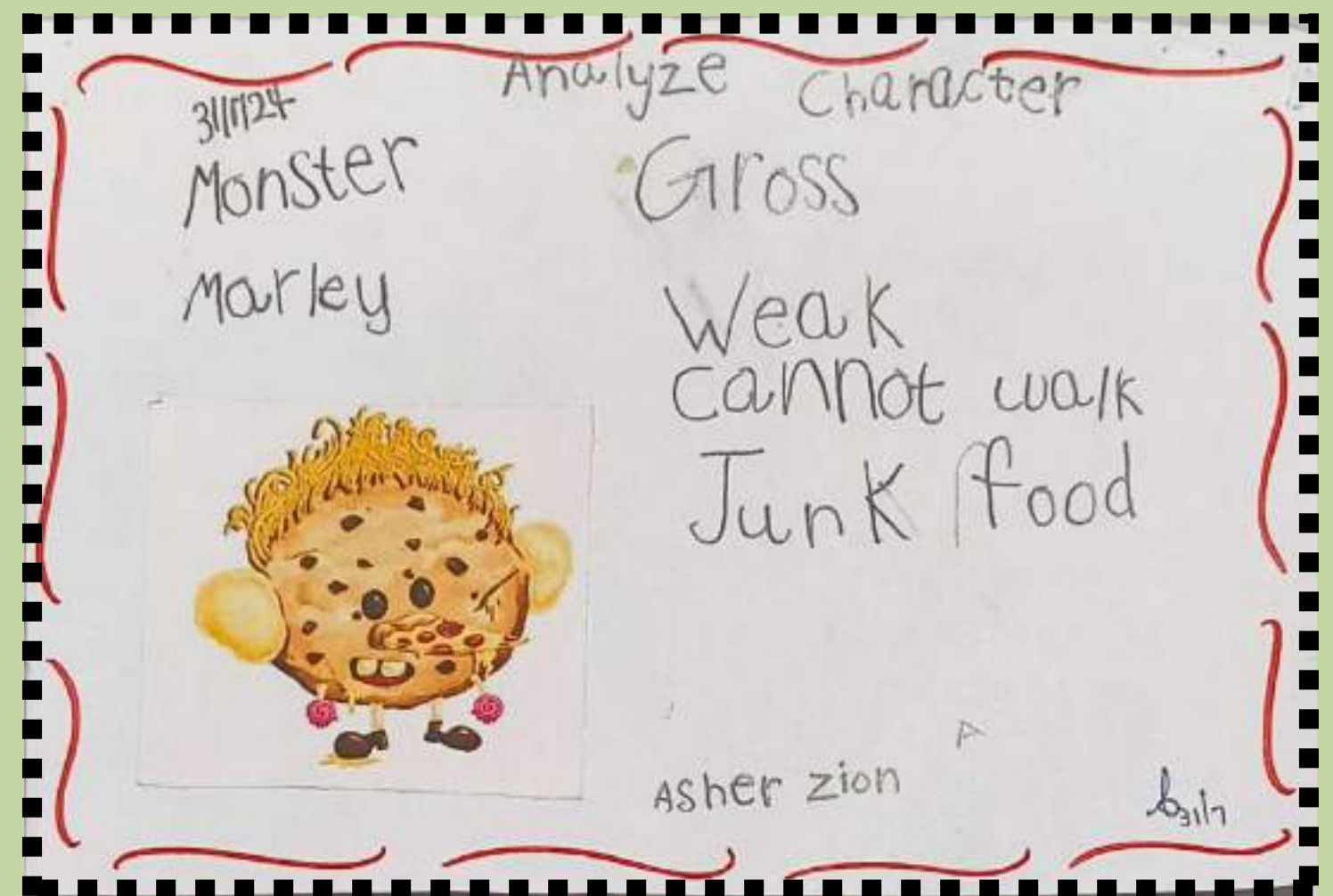
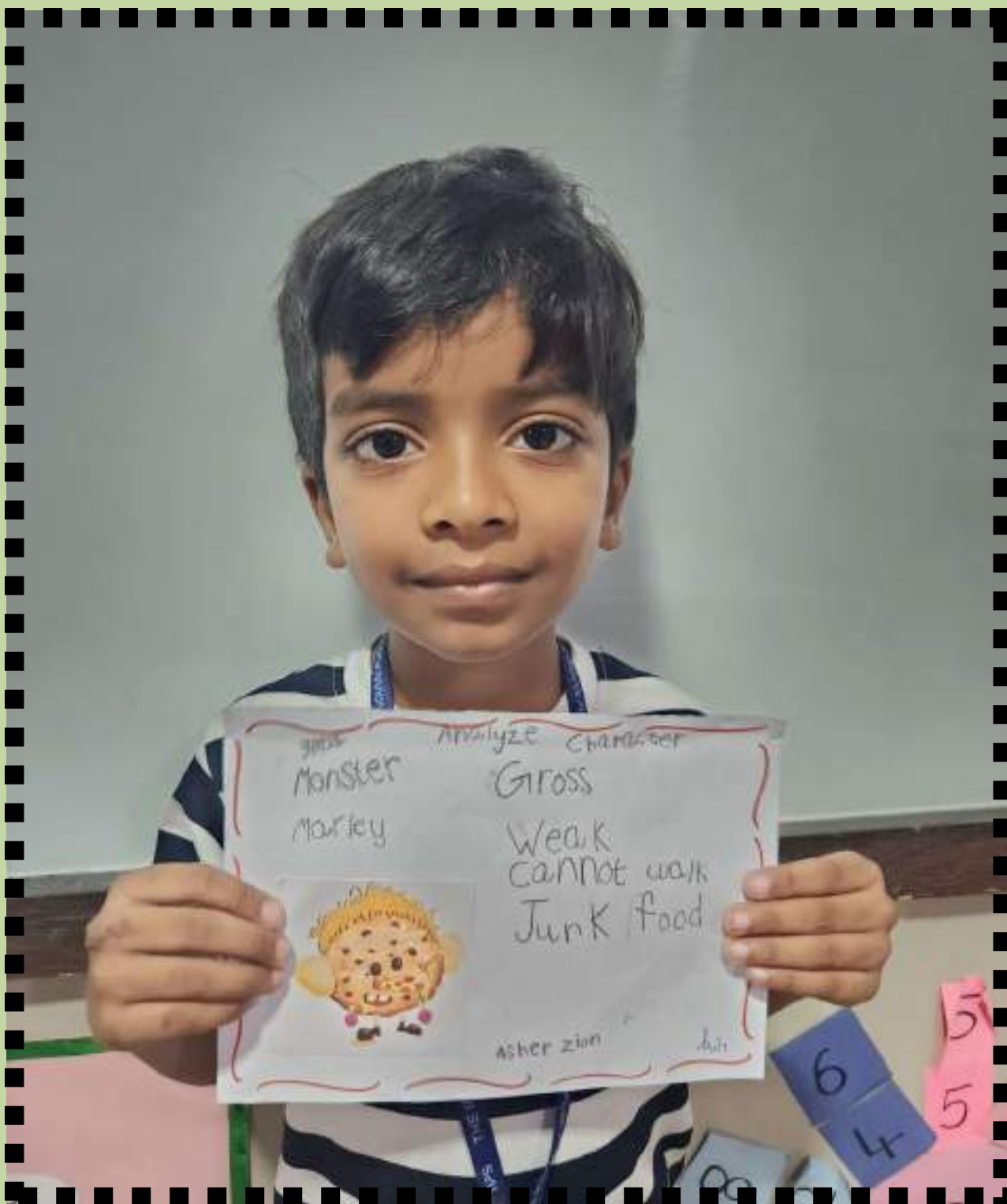




COMPREHENSION



Students explored the importance of eating healthy food through a reading comprehension activity featuring the story of Monster Marley and Healthy Hendry. By engaging with this story, they learned about balanced choices and the benefits of nutritious eating. This activity integrated the UOI concept of "Balanced choices", helping students understand how making healthy food choices contributes to overall well-being.



TAMIL

மாணவர்கள் நல்ல பழக்கங்கள் மற்றும் தீய பழக்கங்களை அறிந்து கொண்டு அவற்றினை வரைந்து வண்ணம் தீட்டியுள்ளனர்.

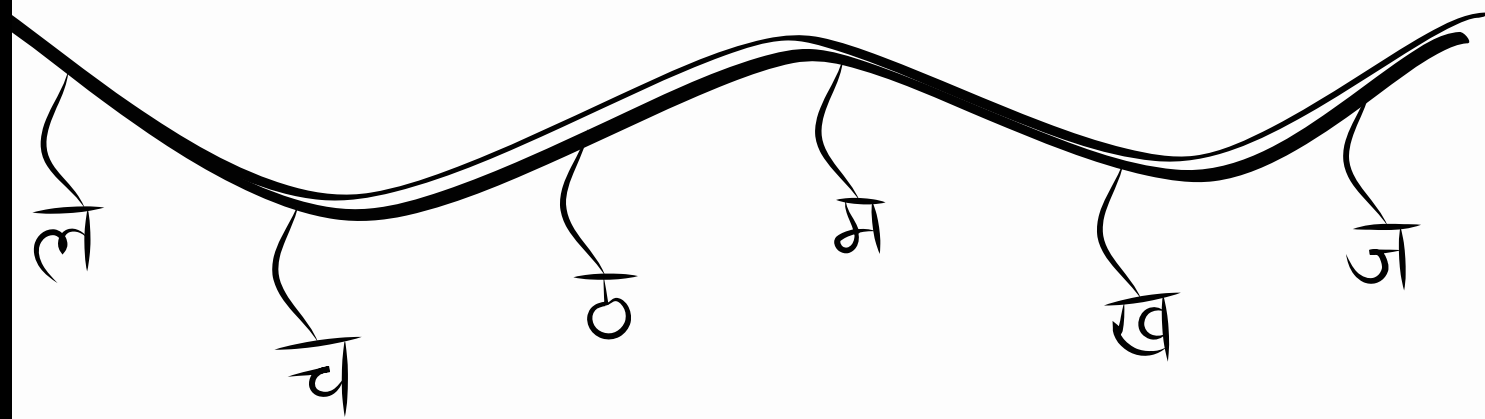
The children had a creative and engaging way to learn about good and bad habits. By drawing and colouring, they were able to visually express their understanding.



HINDI

छात्रों ने स्वर और अक्षर के पूर्वज्ञान के आधार पर दो अक्षर शब्दों की रचना की।

Word formation help students to build vocabulary. Through this activity students not only improved their vocabulary skills but also improved their thinking skills.





SPACE SCIENCE AND ROCKETRY

The Solar System

Students gain knowledge on the names and types of celestial bodies in our Solar system.

INTRODUCTION : *The solar system consists of the Sun and the celestial bodies that orbit, or travel around, the Sun. This includes the eight planets and their moons, dwarf planets, and countless asteroids, comets, and other small, icy objects. However, even with all these things, most of the solar system is empty space.*

ACTIVITY: *Using clay to create a model of a planet from our solar system and paint it accordingly.*



Exploring computer technology helps children to build their thinking, research, and communication skills.

Students learn to use basic tools in MS Paint to create simple drawings and develop their fine motor skills and creativity. They practice using the brush, fill, and shape tools to produce a colourful picture of their choice, such as a house, a tree, or a favourite fruit or a vegetable. The students gain basic digital art skills in a fun and supportive environment.



PARENT CIRCLE

Derrick participated in his first Student Led Conference (SLC) last week. The students were divided into teams, and each team had to present their assigned topics. It was wonderful to see how the children supported one another during their presentations. It's clear that introducing public speaking at such a young age is invaluable—it helps them step out of their comfort zones and builds their confidence. It also teaches them to articulate their thoughts clearly.

We've witnessed this transformation firsthand with our elder daughter. She began as a shy little girl in grade 1 but has since grown into a confident and creative individual. We can confidently say that doing presentations over the years has played a significant role in shaping her communication skills.

We also appreciate how the SLC format allows children to take ownership of their learning. Being accountable for presenting their work to others adds a sense of responsibility and pride in their achievements. It's an excellent initiative that we believe will have a lasting impact on their personal and academic growth.

Overall, we are grateful for the opportunities that programs like the SLC provide, helping to nurture our children's development and prepare them for future challenges.

*Parent of Derrick C selvin
Grade 1*



MINDROID

1. Which one of the following body parts is not protected by the bones?

Brain B. Skin C. Heart

2. Which one of the following are the smallest unit of our body?

Cells B. Tissues C. Organs

3. How many lungs do we have in our body?

A . 1 B. 2 C. 3

4. I am present throughout your body and helps you to move to lift objects. Who am I?

A. Hands B. Legs C. Muscles

5. My work is to pump blood to all tissues in your body. Who am I?

A. Brain B. Heart C. Eye

6. Tongue is the largest sense organ?

A. True B. False

7. I am a liquid present in your mouth and helps in making food soft. Guess my name.

A. Sweat B. Blood C. Saliva

8. I help you to chew food and break it into smaller parts. Who am I?

A. Stomach B. Small intestine C. Tooth

9. Which organ controls the function of the entire body?

A. Brain B. Eyes C. Kidney

10. Which muscle do we use the most?

A. Heart muscle B. Leg muscle C. Hand muscle



Answers

**1. B 2. A 3. B 4. C 5. B
6. B 7. C 8. C 9. A 10. A**

MINDFUL LIVING

THE ART OF MEDITATION

Meditation is an ancient practice that dates back thousands of years. Despite its age, this practice is common worldwide because it has benefits for brain health and overall well-being.

In your brain, you have billions of neurones, which are cells that use electrical and chemical signals to send signals to each other. One neurone connects to thousands of others, which is how your neurons form networks across different parts of your brain. Those networks form different areas of your brain, which have different jobs and specialities.

Meditation Changes Structures in the Brain:

Some studies suggest practicing mindfulness meditation can actually change the structures of the brain. A study conducted by a team of researchers at Harvard University used brain scans to determine that eight weeks of a mindfulness training program called Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) increased the cortical thickness in the hippocampus, the part of the brain that controls learning and memory and plays an important role in emotion regulation.

Benefits of meditation for children:

- 1. Improved learning*
- 2. Less stress*
- 3. A stronger immune system*
- 4. Improved focus and concentration*
- 5. Better self-regulation skills*
- 6. Healthy self-esteem*
- 7. Better sleep*
- 8. Improved resilience*

Basic steps that we all can follow for meditation:

- 1. Sit upright comfortably*
- 2. Gently close your eyes*
- 3. Breathe deeply*
- 4. Slowly scan your body, and notice any sensations*
- 5. Be aware of any thoughts you are having*



THE STEERING WHEEL

STUDENT INITIATED ACTION / BUDDING INFLUENCER

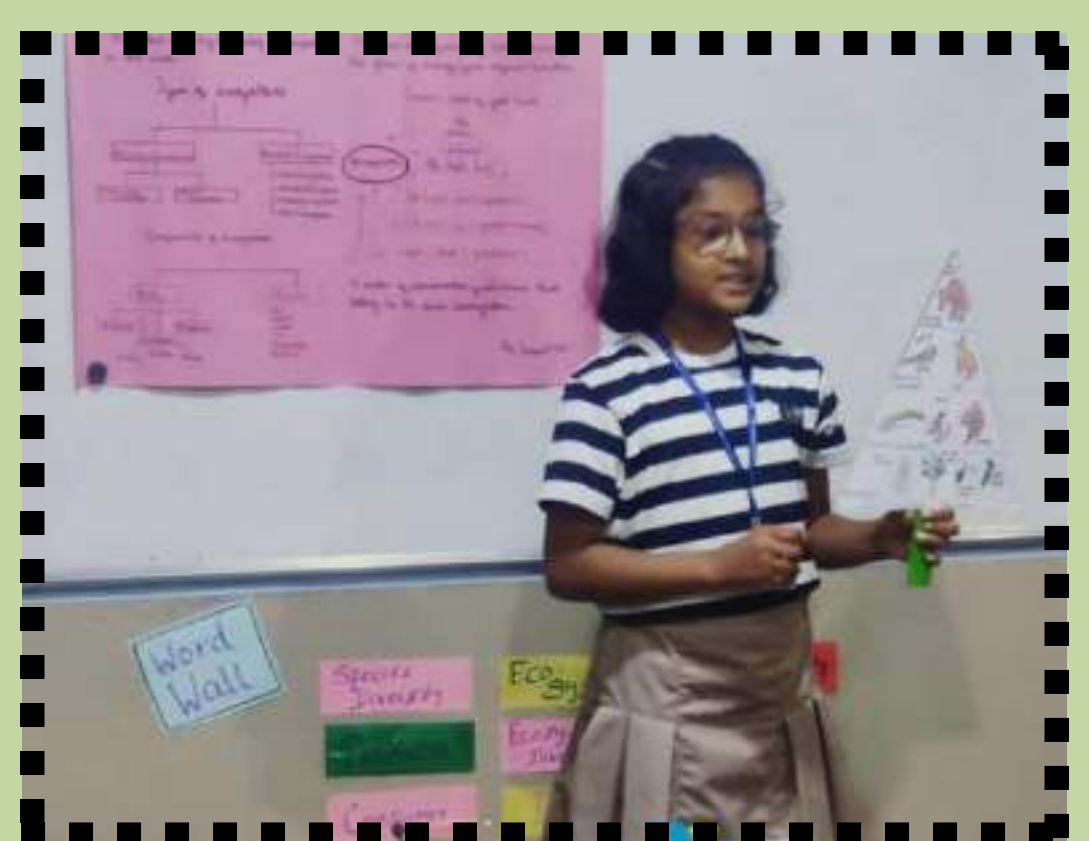
“Biodiversity results in a healthy ecosystem and sustainability of all life forms.”

In the ongoing journey of exploration and learning, our Grade 4 students have embarked on an exciting Unit of Inquiry (UOI) centred around the concept of biodiversity. In their first UOI, the students focused on biodiversity, where they explored the importance of species and their roles within the food chain. Through interactive lessons and hands-on activities, they gained a deep understanding of how each species contributes to the balance of our ecosystem.

A highlight of this UOI was the Student-Led Conference (SLC), where our budding influencers took centre stage. Through role plays, innovative projects, and creative presentations, the students showcased their knowledge and understanding of biodiversity. They didn't stop there—they also invited their parents to join them in taking a pledge to conserve nature and protect the flora and fauna around us. This event not only demonstrated their learning but also their commitment to making a difference in the world.

To culminate their learning, the students engaged in a summative task where they created PowerPoint presentations, models, and charts to demonstrate their understanding of biodiversity. They went a step further by embracing sustainability, crafting "best out of waste" models that highlighted the importance of recycling and reusing materials. They also celebrated various nature-related awareness days, such as Plastic Bag-Free Day, where they made paper bags as an eco-friendly alternative.

The impact of this UOI has extended far beyond the classroom. Our students are not only becoming more aware of biodiversity and food chains but are also taking their newfound knowledge home. Through discussions and actions, they are inspiring their families to join them in conserving nature. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and look forward to seeing how they continue to influence positive change in the world around them.



HODGE PODGE

INDEPENDENCE DAY

As we approached the 15th of August, we were excited to celebrate India's Independence Day! This special day marks the moment when India became a free nation in 1947, and it's a wonderful opportunity for us to reflect on our history and the values that unite us.

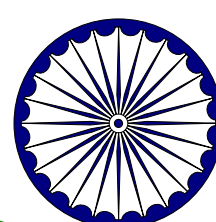
Understanding Independence Day

Independence Day is like a grand day for our country. It's a day when we remember the brave men and women who fought for our freedom. Heroes like Mahatma Gandhi, Rani Laxmi Bai, and Subhash Chandra Bose, etc dedicated their lives so that we could live in a free and independent India.

Activities and Celebrations

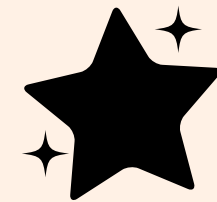
To make this day memorable for our young learners, we had an Independence Day celebration at our campus on the 13th of August. We started our day with a welcome speech, Thamizh Thaai Vaazhthu, flag Hoisting, proudly reciting the pledge, and we ended the high note singing our National anthem.

We also had discussion in the class about the importance of Independence day, and the kids came up with their own understanding and discussion of the freedom fighters. The kids came up with a variety of colours of the crafts reflecting their patriotism and love of our country.





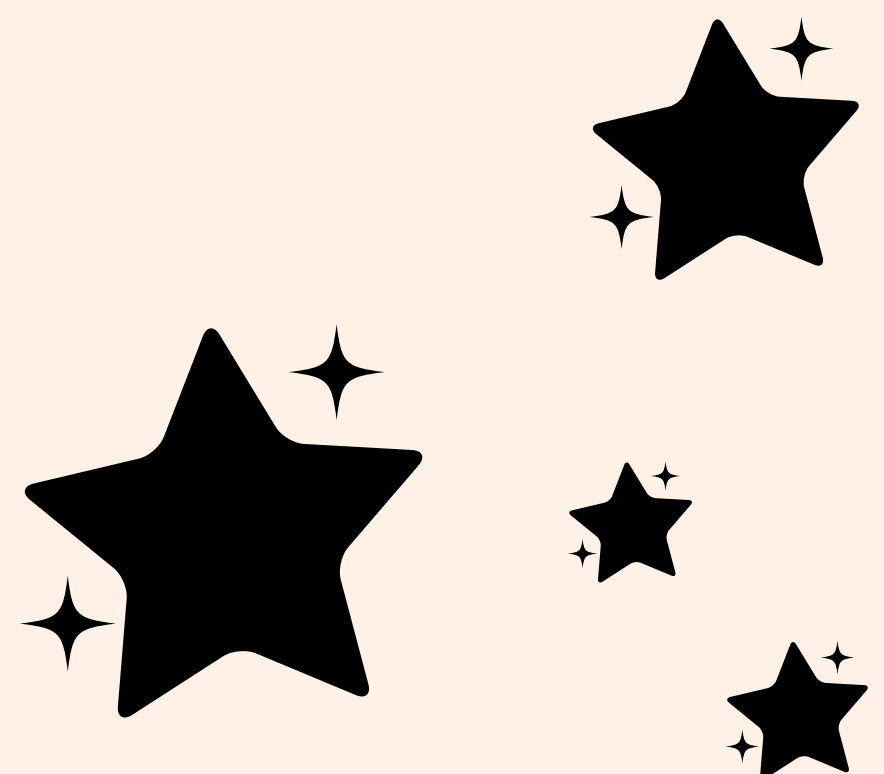
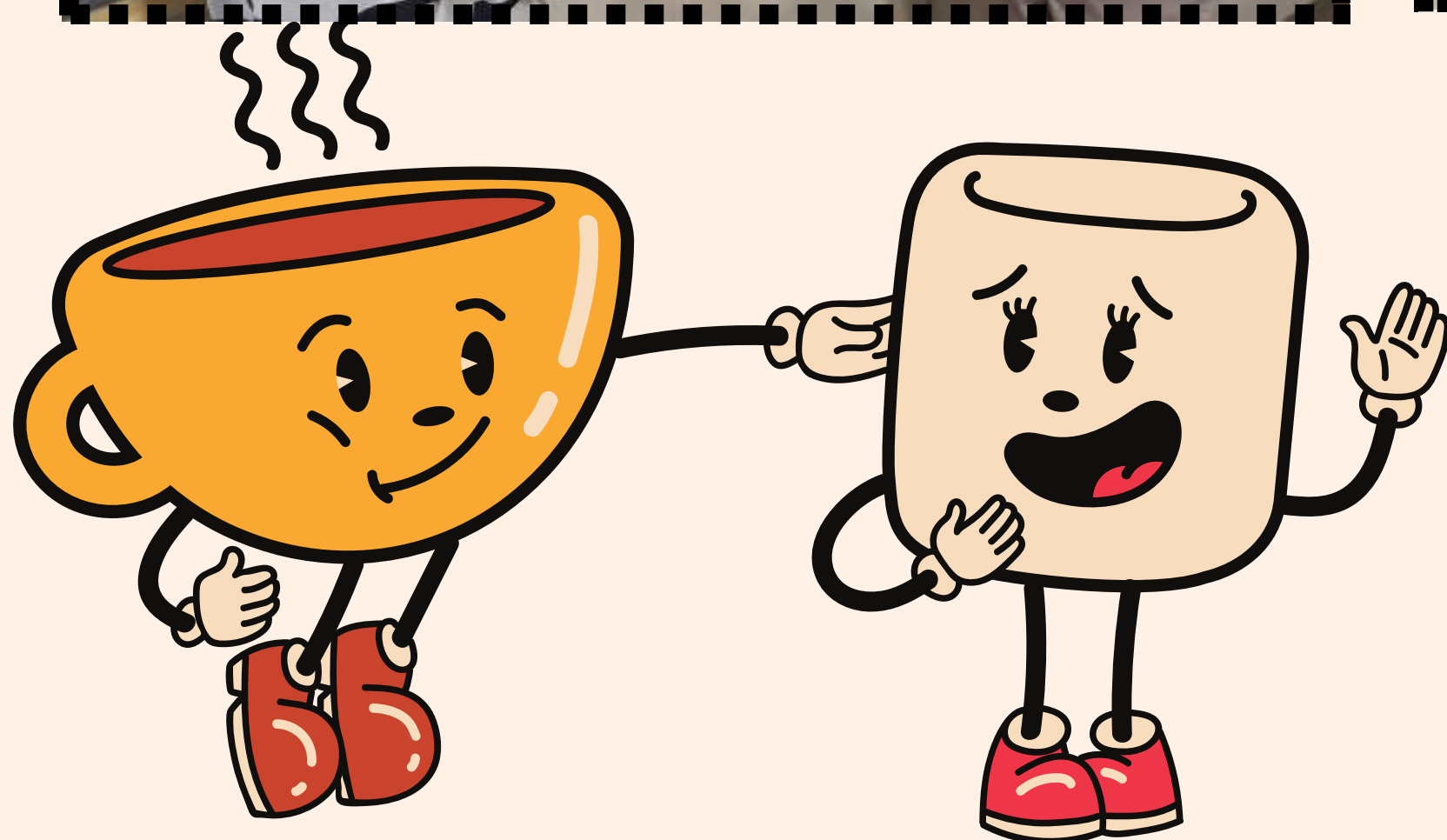
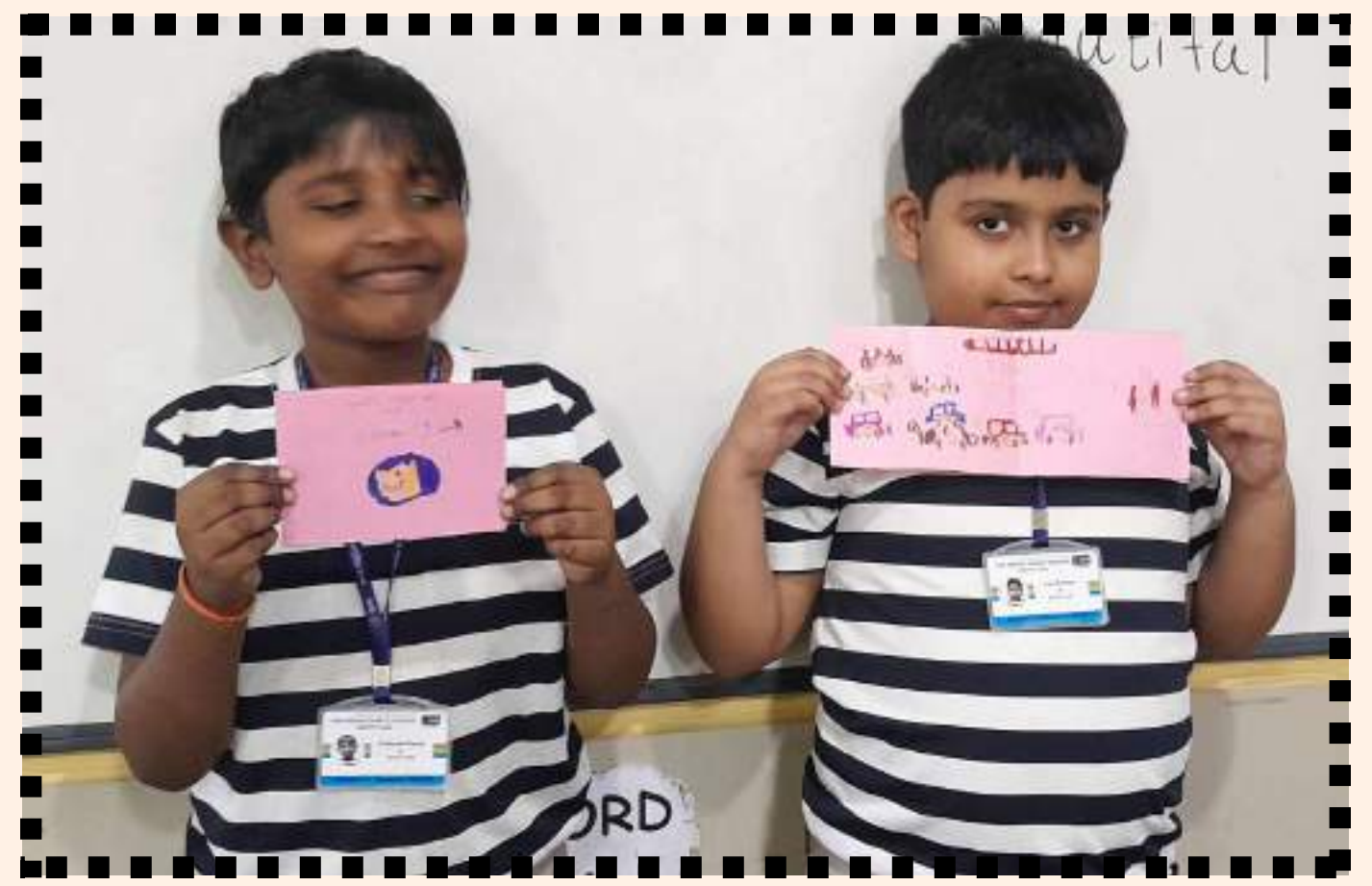
FRIENDSHIP DAY



“True friendship is like sound health; the value of it is seldom known until it be lost.”

Celebrating Friendship Day in PYP classes can be a wonderful way to teach the kids about the importance of friendship, kindness, and community. We began our day with discussions of what friendship means and why it is important to them. Encouraged students to share their thoughts and experiences. Emphasised on the importance of accepting and celebrating differences among friends. We encouraged the students to perform acts of kindness for their friends and classmates. This can be as simple as sharing or helping someone with their tasks or even complimenting them for being good at something. We also encouraged the students to choose one friend in the class and to express their love in the form of crafts. Some came up with cards with written notes by complementing their friendship and expressing their love and care for each other. Some came with making friendship bands and other forms of crafts expressing their love and care for one another.

We wished one another a “HAPPY FRIENDSHIP DAY”, fostering strong and meaningful friendships.



THE STUDENT LED CONFERENCE

The Student Led Conference is a unique and empowering experience where students take responsibility for their learning by presenting their progress, achievements, and goals to their parents. Unlike traditional parent-teacher conferences, the focus is on the student as the primary communicator. Students gain confidence and take ownership of their learning. It encourages students to reflect on their, understanding, strengths and areas for improvement which enhances communication skills as students articulate their learning experiences and also expresses their team work. Parents become more engaged in their child's education and understand their progress better. Every student gets to select their topic and given an opportunity to present it in front of their class and parents. At the end of the topic, they choose to question their classmates and parents. The parents actively take part in answering the questions asked by the students. They also get to score their child s performance based on the presentation such as voice, confidence, presentation and team work. This gives the parent and the teacher to analyze and help the students progress by giving feedback and feed forward.



TRACK FEST

Sports and physical activeness is really important for everyone and especially children for their overall development and growth. We are proud to share about the track fest that has taken place on 24th of August 2024. Students of grades 3,4,&5, have participated in various events like shot put, hurdles, etc. The audience enjoyed the bright and welcoming weather. Students as well as parents thoroughly enjoyed the day and they joyfully cheered for all the prize winners and went home with colorful memories.

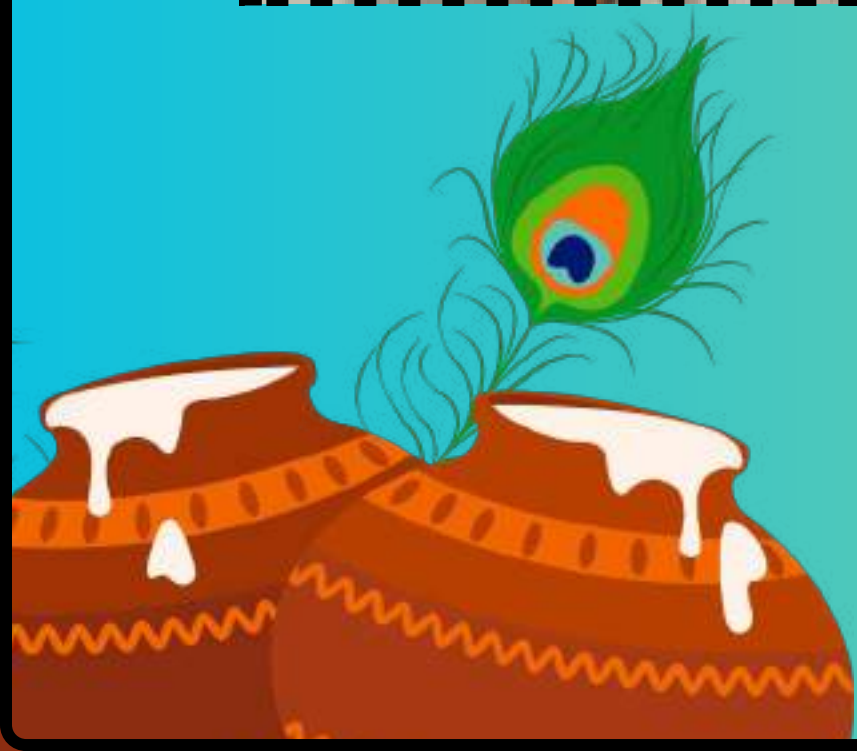


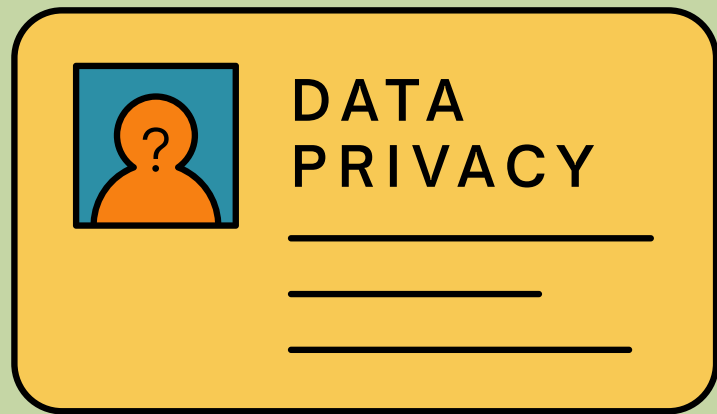


KRISHNA JAYANTI

On August 23rd, TIPS School students joyfully celebrated Krishna Jayanti, immersing themselves in the vibrant traditions of the festival. Guided by their teachers, the students not only learned about the significance of Krishna Jayanti but also actively participated in creative activities. The children discovered the importance of this day, commemorating the birth of Lord Krishna, who is revered for his teachings on love, compassion, and righteousness.

In a blend of learning and creativity, the students crafted flutes and other art pieces related to the festival. These activities were thoughtfully designed to help the children connect with the cultural heritage while enjoying the process of making their own unique crafts. The event was a delightful mix of education and celebration, leaving the students with a deeper understanding of the festival and a sense of accomplishment in their artistic creations.

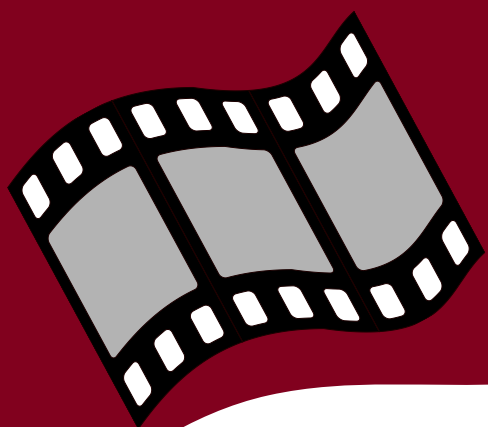




CYBER SECURITY DAY

Awareness of cyber security is vital for safeguarding personal and organizational information in today's digital age. As a part of their inquiry on theme 'How we express ourselves' and the concept "Media", students of grade 5 had an expert talk on the awareness of the cyber security on 24th July 2024 at kaleidoscope auditorium. The guest for the talk was Mr. Jaybalaji, the sub inspector of police from the cyber crime unit team of Adyar. Students had an insight on various aspects of cyber security. Students also came forward to ask their doubts and got them clarified. Students enjoyed the session and also have found it very informative.





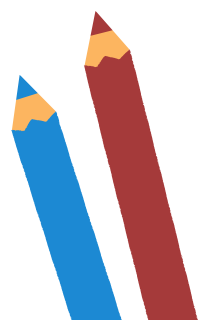
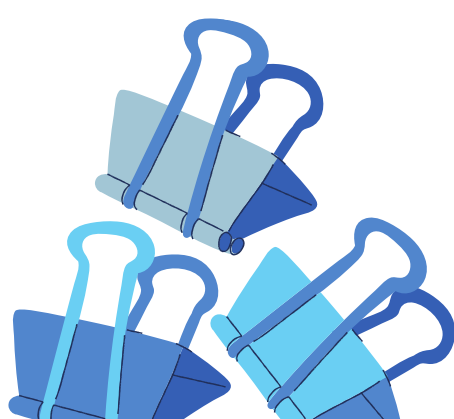
IMAGICA

Grade 1 **TIPS Chennai**
"The great aim of education is not knowledge, but action." -Herbert Spencer

A collage of 10 photographs showing Grade 1 students in various classroom activities. The students are wearing striped shirts and are engaged in presentations, art projects, and group work. The background is purple with a pattern of small white circles.

Grade 2 **TIPS Chennai**
"As we work to create light for others, We naturally light our own way"

A collage of 10 photographs showing Grade 2 students in various classroom activities. The students are wearing striped shirts and are engaged in presentations, art projects, and group work. The background is pink and yellow with a pattern of small white circles.



Grade 3

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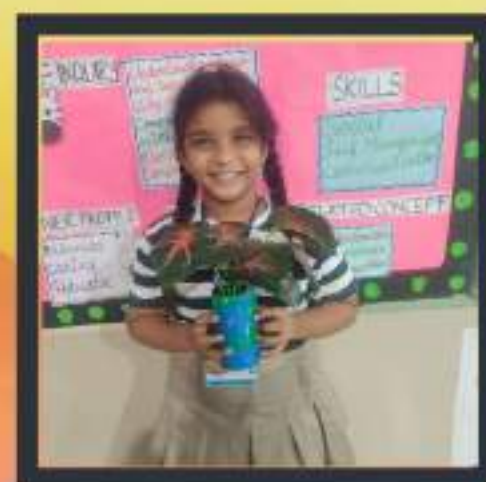
"Action is the foundational key to all success"



Grade 4

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"CLEAN EARTH, GREEN EARTH! CONSERVE NATURE, PRESERVE THE FUTURE! GO GREEN AND PLANT TREES. SAVE OUR PLANET, SAVE OUR FUTURE!"

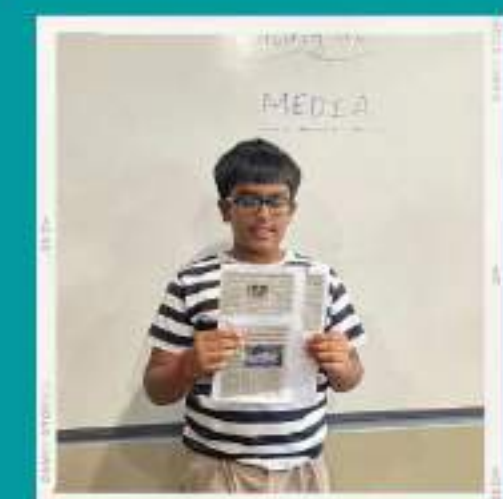
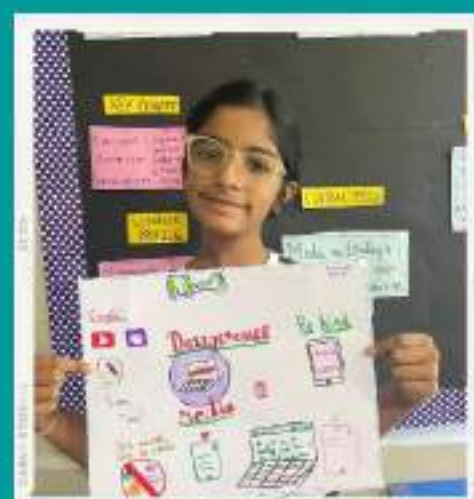


Grade 5

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Children must be taught how to think, not what to think- Margaret Mead



LOOK OUT NOTICE

1. Story Telling
2. Track Fest
3. Art Fest
4. Mother Teresa Day
5. Hindi Diwas
6. Teacher's Day

