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CHRONICLES OF NPSI, CHENNAI

For last year's words belong to last year's language and next year's words await another voice. And to make an end is to make a beginning - T.S. Eliot

Dear Parents,

Greetings!

We come to the end of an unusual year. While there may be numerous reasons to be unhappy, there are many more reasons for us to celebrate and be thankful. Away from our workplaces, colleagues and friends, we bonded with our family and learnt to balance work and home more than ever. At NPSI, we had a full share of academics, events and celebrations as always. Here is a glimpse of the month's activities:

Scholastic

Reviews

Grades 1-8 attempted reviews this month while students of grade 12 gave their first preparatory examinations. Answers were reviewed and corrective action was shared.

PTM

One-on-one sessions saw our Early Learning teachers meet parents. Discussions included welfare of the child, daily routines at home, their response to the online sessions among other matters.

Our teachers met parents of grade 11 to discuss their progress and address any concerns. Albeit online, it was a pleasure to meet and talk to the parents and discuss the best way forward for our students.

Events and Celebrations

Early Learnings (EL) Show and Tell

With this month's Show and Tell event, students brought in different toys. Each student spoke for 30-60 seconds while the others listened intently and applauded. Children spoke with confidence and eagerness. From a remote-control truck and kitchen utensils to stuffed toys and puppets, it was indeed interesting to watch what our children play with at home.

Fun Day

A fun day was organised for grades 7 and 8 with 12 events across literary, cyber, math and science. From hunting for 9 lost gems to speaking for survival and designing eye-catching posters, the children had a truly enjoyable time as they wracked their brains to emerge victorious.

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December Concert

We ushered in the Margazhi season in Chennai with the December Concert sessions. Ms Roopa Keshavaraman, Ms Lakshmi Subramanyam and Ms Tharunya Balan graced the sessions with their melodious performances. From popular bhajans and chants to rare krithis, we had evenings for all our parents, students and staff to experience and enjoy the Margazhi musical season.

Remembering Ramanujan

In memory of the great Mathematician, Srinivasa Ramanujan, we had special sessions for students from grades 1 to 8. Videos on his early life and passion for Math were played along with fun activities including Pixel Art and Math based treasure hunts. The sessions were a true tribute to the ingenious Mathematician.

Christmas Celebrations

Christmas was celebrated across the school with much enthusiasm and joy. A live event was conducted to feature all the fun and joyful activities during this season. From enacting the Nativity scene to singing carols and baking cakes and cookies, the special assembly hosted by our senior school students was enjoyable.

In EL, teachers welcomed children wearing santa caps. We had a virtual Santa Claus distributing gifts and sweets. Teachers and students were dressed in Christmas tri colours of green, white and red. A craft activity saw them building a snowman.

Students in Primary and Middle school had their fair share of fun and cheer in class. They sang Christmas carols together and engaged in Christmas craft activities. From wreaths and trees to 3D Christmas cards, we saw them create beautiful decorations and indulge in the spirit of togetherness and joy.

Competitions and Achievements

Plunge Within 2020

NPSI Chennai played host to close to 200 students from schools across Bengaluru, Mysore, Chennai and Singapore in an interschool fest, Plunge Within 2020. Events tested their mathematical accuracy, literary prowess, eye for design and scientific understanding. The fest was a stupendous success with many participants sharing glowing feedback.

Interschool Fests

At Khoj, conducted by NPS Koramangala, Abhimanyu Pant and Adit Bandal of grade 9 bagged the first prize in Criza, a crisis management event. Parth Jaju of grade 10 won the first prize in Ingenium, a biology event. At Tarang, hosted by PSBB Millenium, Pranav Krishna and Vadlamani Akhilesh of grade 11 won the second place in Shark Tank. Congratulations to all the students!



We had a range of competitions for our students. While Grades 1-3 participated in Storytelling, Grades 4 and 5 indulged in Elocution. We have received several entries for Animation and our judges are looking forward to viewing them.

The year has come to an end, leaving us with a feeling of gratefulness. Despite the various challenges that cropped up, our staff and students have powered through with immense confidence and fortitude. We look forward to greeting our children in the New Year. Till then, stay safe, and advance wishes for a happy new year!

Warm Regards

Ms Sudha Balan

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