

Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Puducherry

Heritage Club Report 2012-13 for the Best Heritage Club Award

April 2012 - Heritage Walks

The Heritage Club of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya began its new Academic Year with a series of Heritage Walks to Gingee Fort, Kanchipuram, Mahabalipuram, Gangai Konda Chola Puram and Tanjavur in the month of April, the first month of our Academic Year.

Gingee Fort

A Heritage Walk to Jinji Fort, Sattanur Dam and Thiruvannamalai by Class VIII and Class IX escorted by Mr.R.Baburaj Jain TGT Hindi, Mr.K.Chakradhar, TGT Eng, Mr.S.R.Balasubramanian PET, Mrs.P.R.Shankari PGT Hindi, Mrs.B.A.Visalakshi TGT Tamil was arranged on 20th April 2012. Gingee is just 70 k.m to the North West of Puducherry. It is actually a Chola Fort later on modified, renovated and enlarged by several rulers including Tej Singh, the Gingee Nayaks, Chhatrapathi Shivaji, the Nawab of Arcot and the British. Shivaji claimed it as the most impregnable of all fortresses he had seen. The British considered it as the 'Troy of the East.' Children went upto the Raja Hill and enjoyed the scenic beauty of the area. They liked the Kalyana Mahal's Architectural style. There are many temples atop. The fort contains three hills - the Rajagiri, the Krishnagiri and the Chandrayan Durg. Each hill has a fullfledged citadel self sufficient in nature. Then the students were taken to the Sattanur Dam which is constructed on the Then Pennar River. It was constructed in 1958. Its full level is 119 feet. In recent past the dam never experienced floods in the catchment area touching its 100th feet due to failure of monsoons. The Park area and the Crocodile park were

enjoyed by the Students. Though the Dam's catchment area was dry, children were able to understand the uses of a dam and its main areas of construction. This Heritage Walk

MGM Theme Park and Mahabalipuram by Seniors

Students of Std XII escorted by Mr. N.Purushothamarao, (PGT Bio), Mrs. I.A. Fathima TGT Hindi and Mrs M.N. Manjula, Staff Nurse and Mr. Bhaktavatsalam, Lab. Attendant went to MGM Theme Park and Mamallapuram on **23.04.2012**

Young INTACH's Motivation

Inspired by the support given to our Vidyalaya's Heritage Club, the Heritage Club of JNV, Puducherry decided to arrange a trip exclusively to Kanchipuram and on the way to Mahabalipuram for contributing the write-ups about the 'Story of Silk' to the Young INTACH News letter. Children were willing to learn the difficulties faced by the weavers and the methods adopted by the weavers to keep up the name and fame of the Kanchi Silk.

On 26.04.12, 80 students of Std.VII A and B were taken to Kanchipuram and Mamallapuram on a Heritage Walk escorted by Mr.K.Chakradhar (TGT-Eng), Mrs.H.Kothai (PET), Mrs.M.Sugandhi, (TGT-Tamil), Mrs.I.A.Fathima(TGT-Hindi), Mrs.C.Perianayaki (Music Teacher) , Mr.R.Bhaktavatsalam(Lab Attendant) and Ms.V.Haimavathi Mahadevi (TGT-So.Sc)

The first halt of the tourist was at Kailashnath Temple built by Rajasimha Pallava at Kanchipuram. The students were taken aback by the fascinating sculptures and the inner court view of the Temple. Rajaraja Chola visited this temple just after his accession. This temple might have given him the inspiration to build the famous Brihadeeshwara Temple. Though small in size,

What a wonderful Temple it is! With a perfect finishing and finest sculptures of 7th Century A.D. It is the first structural temple of the Pallavas who had usually made temples carved out of rocks. The temple is made of granite in the base and Sandstone superstructure. Bricks are also used. The fresco paintings that once adorned the inner niches in the circumambulatory path are now completely in a damaged condition. The children felt sorry for it.

We visited Sri Vaikuta Perumal Temple built by Nandivarma Pallava. The friezes on the walls contain wonderful bas reliefs based on the incarnations of Lord Vishnu.

Then the group visited the Weaving unit of private silk weavers and learnt how the Jacquard work is being incorporated into the traditional method of weaving. That was very useful for us to learn about the weaving.

On the way to Puducherry, in the evening we could see the Arjuna's Penance or Bhagiratha's penance, the beautiful Mahisha mardhini Cave, the ancient Light House, the Five Pagodas or Pancha Pandava Rathas and the Sthalasayana Perumal Temple.

The children were able to feel the wonders in rocks all by themselves and posed various questions about them. They interviewed the visitors too.

Trip to Tanjavur and

Gangai Konda Chola Puram

On 27.04.2012, the Students of Std.X and XI had an opportunity to visit Gangai Konda Cholapuram and Thanjavur as a part of their Heritage Study Tour escorted by Mr.V.Prasad(PGT-English), Mrs.P.R.Shankari (PGT-Hindi), Mr.S.Sylvance (PGT-Maths), Mrs.B.A.Visalakshi (TGT-Tamil), Mr.R.B.Jain (TGT-Hindi), Mrs. S.Shanthi(TGT-Sci), Mr. R.Arivazhagan (SAI Coach), Mrs.

S.Vennila (Computer Teacher) and Mr.R.Bhaktavatsalam (Lab Attendant).

Though the distance was more, the students were thrilled to see such a colossal temple standing high spreading the great devotion and dedication of the architects of these temples and the Emperors whose names are remembered even after a thousand years with great love and awe.

INTACH Award

On 14.09.2012, The Special Mention Award for the School Heritage Club for the Year 2011-2012 given by INTACH, New Delhi also was presented to the Principal. Kumari. M.Thulasi of Class VII and Master. Yogeswaran of Class VIII were given awards and certificates for their articles which were published in the Young INTACH Newsletters.

Reverence to Religions

Religious Events are either observed or celebrated in the Vidyalaya as it is Residential in nature. It helps even the students of minority communities who live away from their homes feel that the School is their real home. Major festivals are celebrated in a befitting manner with sweets and cakes. Other religious events are observed by conveying the day's message in the Morning Assembly.

Good Friday

On 27.04.2012 all the Assembly activities of the day by Junior Aravali House were based on the Life of Lord Jesus Christ and his sufferings. Talk on his crucifixion, songs, thought for the day, and other items were very well presented by them.

Sri Ganesh Chaturthi

On 19.09.2012, Sri Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated at 7.30 a.m. in the Vidya Ganapathy Temple in the school premises. Pooja was performed by Mr. D.Sundaresan TGT-Maths and the prasada offerings were distributed to all. The temple was tastefully decorated by the students.

Suppose Christmas

On 24.12.12, Suppose Christmas was celebrated at 5.30 p.m. in the Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium. The members of Kalvari church of Kunimedu and Periakalpet area presented a Cultural Show. The Christmas Message was given by Rev.Father.

Festivals

Chithirai Thirunal

On 13.04.12, the Tamil New Year Day messages were given by Mr.G.Sai Baba, Art Teacher who was the Master On Duty of the Day ,by Ms. Haimavathi Mahadevi, TGT So.Sc. and by Mr.A.Vinayathan , the Principal of the Vidyalaya.

Raksha Bandhan-29.08.2012

On account of Raksha Bandhan, on 02.08.2012 Master.Ilavarasan of Senior Aravali House touched upon the historical background of the festival in his Assembly Talk. The students of other JNVs who have come for IIT coaching for two years have felt the warmth of their sisters by getting the Rakhi tied around their hands by other girls. Sweets were distributed during break fast.

Onam was celebrated with a grand feast at 1.30 p.m. The auditorium was decorated with flower carpet. The arrangements were made by Mrs.B.A.Visalakshi,TGT-Tamil.

Lovely Literary Events

Poet Saint Surdas Jayanti - 17.04.2012

Assembly Talk was given by Ms.V.Haimavathi Mahadevi, TGT So.Sc who was the Master On Duty of the Day on behalf of the Heritage Club. 'Oh! Maiya More mein nahin Makhan Khayo' song's video clips were shown. The cartoon based on the life of Sur Das was also screened.

Spelling Bee

A four-day course on 'spelling bee' and an introduction to 'North South Foundation' of Dr.Chittori NRI was launched by a Team of NRI comprising Kum.Niveda and Mas.Naveen and mr.Ram Sundar of Boston on 02.07.2012

Prem Chand's Birth Anniversay

On July 31st 2012, Hindi Literary Giant Prem Chand's birth anniversary was celebrated by the Hindi Department in the Vidyalaya. Mrs.P.R.Shankar (PGT-Hindi) MOD of the day put forth the significance of Prem Chand's contribution to Hindi Literature through a video and a PPT in the Morning Assembly.

Rashtrabhasha Fortnight-Hindi Pakhwada

Inauguration

On 01.09.12, Hindi Fortnight celebration was inaugurated in the Morning Assembly by Shri.A.Vinayathan, Principal, JNV Puducherry.

Hindi Solo Song Competition was held for both levels at 2.45 p.m. in the Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium.

Various Competitions like Calligraphy, Essay Writing, Slogan Writing , Book Review, Doha Recitation, Competitive Assembly Activities were organized to mark the 15-day long Hindi Fortnight celebrations.

The members of the Hindi Department Mrs. P.R.Shankari, PGT-Hindi, Mrs. I.A.Fathima, TGT - Hindi and Mr. R. Babu Raj Jain, TGT Hindi made all necessary arrangements for Hindi Fornight.

Students and members of the staff participated various competitions held At JIPMER in connection with the promotion of Raj Bhasha from 14.09.2012

Closing Ceremony

On 14.09.2012, the Closing Ceremony of the Hindi Pakhwada was conducted at 2.45 p.m. in the Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium.

Dr.Mrs. Sasi Ahuja, Eye Specialist, JIPMEr was the Chief Guest of the function. Mrs. Madhu Pandey and Mr.Arvind Ahuja were the guests of honour.

Mr.A.Vinayathan, Principal JNV Puducherry presided over the function.

Prizes were distributed to the winners of various competitions held in connection with the Hindi Pakwada.

A Colourful Cultural Show was also presented by the students.

National Book Week

On 16.11.12, National Book Week was inaugurated by Shri.a. Vinayathan, Principal, JNVP in the Morning Assembly. Mr.T.S.Shankar, Librarian welcomed the gathering and spoke about the importance of books. The Principal, in his speech, insisted on cultivating a regular reading habit.

Various Competitions were arranged by Mr.T.S.Shankar, Librarian to commemorate it.

Valedictory Function of the Book Week

On 23.11.12, the Valedictory Function of the Book Week Celebration was held at 2.45 p.m. in the Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium

Ms. Anurupa Naik, Chief Librarian , French Institute of Pondicherry was the Chief Guest and delivered key not eaddress. Mr.g. Saravanan, Librarian (Ecology) of the French Institute of Pondicherry was the Guest of Honour. The function was presided over by Mr.Mahabaleshwarappa(PGT-Economics). Mr. T.SShankar, Librarian presented the Report and welcomed the gathering. Mrs.C.Perianayaki, (Music Teacher) Master on Duty of the Day rendered vote of thanks. Prizes were distributed to the winners of various competitions held in connection with the Book Week Celebration.

Regional Elocution Competition

The Principal gave away the certificate and prize to Kumari. Thulasi of Class VII for her speech on the Child Rights in Hindi at Kottayam Regional Level Elocution Competition on 18th of October 2012.

Pondicherry State Co-operative Society Week Essay Competition

As a part of Pondicherry State Co-operative Society Week celebrations, Various Competitions were held in which Kumari.Chandravadani of Class XI-B won first prize in the Poem Writing(Tamil) Competition.

Mahakavi Subramanya Bharathi's Birth Anniversary

On 11.12.12, Siwalik Hose Junior Girls collectively dedicated their Assembly activities in Hindi to Desh Kavi Sri.Subramanya Bharathi on his Birth Anniversary. His thoughts, songs, talk on his life and contribution to Tamil were presented in a befitting manner by the girls.

Taking Care of Health and Hygiene

World Health Day

World Health Day Assembly Talk was given by Senior.Aravali Girls. Mrs.M.N.Manjula, the Staff Nurse of the Vidyalaya spoke on 'the Healthy Life'on 07.04.2012

On the same day, At 3.00 p.m., Dr.ShivaKumar (Diabetologist)of Lakshmi Narayanan College and Hospital and Mrs.Rajini,Asst.Prof. of Nutrition, Avvaiyar College, stressed on the need to prevent Diabetes by changing the lifestyle and eating habits of people. This programme was organized by an NGO 'The Morning Star Charitable Trust 'run by Mr.Samy and Mrs.F.Mercy

Beulah (9894370220) Earlier, Mr.S.R.Balasubramanian PET , the MOD of the day welcomed the gathering.

Presidential Address was given by Shri.A.Vinathayan, Principal, JNV,Puducherry. Mrs.I.Asmath Fathima TGT-Hind proposed the Vote of thanks.

On 08.04.12, in continuation with the World Health Day Events of Saturday, a free medical camp for the employees and their families of JNV,Puducherry was conducted from 8.00 a.m. to 2.30. p.m.

It was organized by Dr.C.Parameshwaranand D.r.(Mrs). P.Thiruppavai in association with the Sri Satya Sai Seva Dal & Sai Krupa Hospital.

The Physicians who attended the Medical Camp were

Dr.Sivadasan (Orthopaedist) Dr. S.Suresh aravana Kumar (Oncologist) Dr. R.Rajarithnam (Doctor of Medicine) and Dr.Jeevana Nikund (Gynecologist) ably assisted by a set of clinical assistants Ms.A.Kowsalya,Ms.D.Deepa, Ms.N.Aruna.

Around 50 members of the families of the Employees of the Vidyalaya had an opportunity of consulting the busy and eminent specialists of Puducherry Medical community.

Neuro Plastic Project by JIPMER Doctors

On 08.09.2012, Dr.Vivek Sharma , Physiology Department JIPMER, Puducherry and his team launched a Project on the connection between mental ability and physical exercise. The Physiologist's Team is expected to share the findings with the Principal for the enhanced performance of the students in their studies.

Free Eye Camp by JIPMER Doctors

A Team of doctors sent by Dr.Mrs. Ahuja of JIPMER conducted a free eye camp in the school for the students of JNV Puducherry from 10.00.a.m.

NGO in Health Care

On 24.11.2012, A Power Point Show was presented by Mr. Jacob of Pondicherry on Health and Hygiene.

Alumni Association's Free Eye Camp

On 02.12.12, A free Eye Testing Camp by Vasan Eye Care was conducted for the students. It was sponsored by the Second Batch students.

Lecture on Neuro Plastic

On 05.01.13, Dr. Vivek Sharma, Physiology Department, JIPMER, gave a lecture on Health and Hygiene. He interacted with students about 'Neuro Plastic'. During the course of his lecture, he vividly explained the functions of brain and nerves. He briefed about the project his team is undertaking in JNV Puducherry about the connection between the functioning of the brain and physical exercise.

Information of Important Days

World Population Day

From 09.04.2012 onwards, the World Population Day messages were given by the Senior Siwalik House Girls in their Assembly activity in all the three days under the guidance of Mrs. I.A. Fathima-TGT-Hindi, House Mistress.

Heritage Site-The Western Ghats

A talk and video show on 'Western Ghats-World Heritage Site' was given by Ms. V. Haimavathi Mahadevi, TGT-So.Sc who was the Master On Duty of the day in the Morning Assembly on 12.07.2012. It was an effort to make the students perceive the significance of the Natural Heritage. Video clips on Agumbe and other important places of the Western Ghats were screened.

Hiroshima Day

A Video Show was presented by the Master on Duty of the day Ms. V. Haimavathi Mahadevi, TGT-Social Science on behalf of Social Science Club and Heritage Club in the Morning Assembly on 06.08.2012

Curiosity Robot

Video clippings on the smooth landing of 'Curiosity robot' sent by NASA to study the surface of the Red Planet Mars were shown by Mr.R.Babu Raj Jain, TGT-Hindi who was the Master on Duty of the day in the Morning Assembly on 08.08.2012

Teachers' Day

Teachers' Day was celebrated with great pomp and show. The students of Std.XI and XII took initiation in organizing the celebrations. Regular classes were taken by student-teachers. Various Competitions were conducted for the Teachers. A grand cultural show was arranged at 6.30 p.m.

The National NSS Day

The National NSS Day was celebrated at 3.00 p.m. at Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium. The Chief Guest of the day was Dr. Kuzhandai Swami, liason Officer, State NSS Unit, Puducherry. Mr.A.Vinayathan, Principal JNV, Puducherry and Mrs. R.Kamalam Vice Principal were also present. The programme was organized by Mr.K.Shankar, PGT,Physics who is the NSS co-ordinator of JNV,Puducherry. The NSS volunteers made all the arrangements for the celebration of the NSS Day. Video clippings on the service rendered by the NSS volunteers of various educational institutions in India were also screened.

The NSS volunteers cleaned the beach. The 'Cheran Thudumbattam' by NSS volunteers was presented near the famous Gandhi Statue on the beach Road in front of the public.

The Cheran Thudumbattam by JNV Puducherry was presented in the Cultural Competition held to mark the Hindi Fortnight at JIPMER auditorium was applauded by all. There was a news item published in 'Dinamalar' Tamil Daily in appreciation of the team's performance on 02.10.2012.

Human Rights Day

On 10.10.12, Siwalik House Junior Girls presented their Assembly activities on the topic 'Human Rights'. Video clips on the Human Rights Day were shown to the pupils.

Child Rights Day

On 20.11.12, On account of Child Rights Day, Ms.V.Haimavathi Mahadevi, T.G.T So.Sc. Master on Duty of the day showed a Power point presentation with video clippings and explained why children too should have to enjoy the rights. Child Rights were categorized and listed.

Kum.M.Thulasi of Class VII-A (Aravali Junior House) gave a speech on the topic, 'Children and their Right to Education'. It was delivered in chaste Hindi and applauded by all.

Consumer Rights Day

On 24.12.12, Senior Udaigiri House Girls presented a skit, a conversation and thoughts and messages based on the Consumer Rights. Master.Manikandan of Std.XI-B and his group members presented a PPT explaining the importance of the Consumer Rights Day in the Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium at 3.00 p.m..

Tributes to Shahjahan, the Magnificent

On 05.01.13, The less known facts about Shahjahan and Arjumund Banu Begum were shared by the Junior Udaigiri House Girls to commemorate the birth anniversary of Shahjahan, the Magnificent.This was presented on behalf of the Heritage Club of the Vidyalaya.

Inculcating Patriotism

Bal Gangadhar Tilak and Chandra Shekhar Azad

On account of the birth anniversaries of Bal Gangadhar Tilak and Chandra Shekhar Azad on 23.07.12, Assembly Talks were given by the junior girls of Udaigiri House guided by their House Mistress Ms.V.Haimavathi Mahadevi(TGT-So.SC) Video clips were also screened.

Vijay Diwas

On account of 'Vijay Diwas', Assembly Talk was given by Kum. Arthy of Class VII-B of Udaigiri House in the Morning Assembly on 26.07.2012.

Quit India Day

On behalf of Integrity Club and Heritage Club, Master. Pavai Rajan of Junior Aravali Boys House gave a talk on the Quit India Movement in the Morning Assembly on 09.08.2012.

The Day of Freedom

The 66th Independence Day was celebrated with patriotic fervor and enthusiasm by all the inmates of JNV, Puducherry. The dawn saw the Prabhat Pheri of JNV students and the members of the staff going around the streets of Periakalpet village delivering the message of free India's Principles through slogans.

The March Past by NCC, Scouts and Guides and the 7 houses was scintillating.

The day's Chief Guest Shri.A.Vinayathan, Principal, JNVP, hoisted the flag amidst great cheers followed by the singing of National Anthem.

Speeches in Hindi, English and Tamil by students, patriotic songs and National Songs by the Choir groups of the Vidyalaya filled the air with melody as well as the national spirit.

Mrs.R.Kamalam , Vice Principal,gave the Independence Day message.

Vote of thanks was given by Mrs.M.Sugandhi, TGT-Tamil.

Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri's Jayanti

Gandhi Jayanti celebrations in the Vidyalaya began with the garlanding of Gandhi bust by the Principal.

It was followed by Sarvadharm Prarthana-Prayer by all communities.Kum. Preethi and Kum. Praveena read the Biblical verses while Kum.M.Thulasi recited a hymn from the Bhagvat Gita. Mas.Muhammad Nasser recited a Quranic verse. It was followed by a Jain prayer song presented by Mas. Deepesh. Bhajans were sung by the Vidyalaya choir. Homage to the Father of the Day was done through Speeches also-in English by

Kum.S.Aruna Nivedhitha, in Tamil by Mas.Gogan, Kum.Pooja, and in Hindia by Kum.Pemitha and Kum.Keerthana of class VI. Kum.Pirivina of Class X anchored the programme. The video clippings on the Mahatma were screened. Former Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri was also remembered on his Birth Day.

National Integration Day

On 19.11.12, National Integration Day was celebrated in the Vidyalaya. Aravali Junior Girls presented speech and thought which marked the birth anniversary of Late Prime Minister Shrimati.Indira Gandhi. Shri.N.Purushotama Rao, PGT Biology who was the Master on Duty of the Day reminded us of the vision of Mrs.Indira Gandhi. National Integration Song was sung in the Morning Assembly.

Flag Day

On 07.12.12, Flag Day Message appeared on the Heritage Club Board.

The Flag day is observed for:

1. Rehabilitation of those who sacrificed or got wounded in battles
2. Welfare of serving personnel and their families
3. Resettlement of ex-servicemen and their families.

Tributes to Rajaji and Mohammad Ali

Video Clips on C. Rajagopalachari, the last Governor-General and the renowned statesman of India were shown on his 135th birth anniversary on 10.10.12. On the same day, Maulana Muhammad Ali who was responsible for the launching of the Khilafat Movement along with his brother shaukat Ali was also remembered on his birth anniversary by Miss. V.Haimavathi Mahadevi, TGT-So.Sc. who was the Master on Duty of the day on behalf of the Heritage Club and Social Science Club.

All these were presented in the Morning Assembly.

Goa's Liberation

On 02.01.12,the Junior Udaygiri Girls shared a few facts about the State of Goa to commemorate its liberation from the Portuguese on 02.01.1961 in the Morning Assembly.

The 64th Republic Day was celebrated with enthusiasm and patriotic fervor in the Vidyalaya. The School Campus and the Play Ground were decorated with festoons and beautiful Rangoli.

The Republic Day

The Republic Day started with the Prabhat Pheri. The students and the members of the Staff went to the Tsunami Quarters area which is one km to the south of the Vidyalaya.

The Tricolour Flag was hoisted by Shri.A.Vinayathan, Principal JNV, Puducherry who was the Chief Guest for the celebrations at 7.00 a.m.

Earlier, Mr.G.Sai Baba Art Teacher received the Chief Guest.

The Flag hoisting was followed by the singing of the National Anthem and the Flag Song in Tamil.

Mr. Mahabaleswarappa, PGT-Economics welcomed all. Kum.Pirivina and others stressed the need for unquestionable loyalty to the nation. Mr.jagan Mohan Rao narrated how India became a Republic in his M.O.D. address.

Mrs. I.A.Fathima TGT-Hindi , the Co-ordinator of the CCA for the year 2012-13 read out those who had bagged prizes in the CC Activities throughout the Academic Year.The Prizes were given away by the Principal, Vice-Principal and other teachers. The Participants also received mementoes this year. The Volunteers who served the CCA throughout the Year were also

honoured with books. 80% of the Prize Books were on Swami Vivekananda, his life, his speech and his philosophy.

It was set by the CCA department in such a way that students receive books on Swamiji on his Sesquicentennial Birth Anniversary.

Kum.I.Panimozhi of Std.IX was given away her Young INTACH certificate and Prize by the Principal for her contribution about Prapanjan,the Sahitya Academy Winner of Puducherry for the Newsletter 'The Power of the Pen'.

Mr.A.Vinayathan in his message reiterated the need for the children to improve their behavior and conduct to become better citizens of India.

The Vidyalay Choir sang patriotic Songs with devotion and inspiration.

Students of Class XI and X staged 'Thudumbattam' a traditional drum beat form of Tamil Nadu.

Mrs. R.Kamalam, Vice-Principal of JNV, Puducherry proposed vote of Thanks.

Sweets were distributed to all.

Martyrs' Day

On 30.01.13, Martyrs' Day was observed in the Vidyalaya. The Mega Wall Magazine Project in Tamil language on the Life of the Mahatma was presented by the students. It was arranged by Mrs.B.A.Visalakshi, T.G.T-Tamil and Mrs. M.Sugandhi, T.G.T-Tamil

Mrs.B.A.Visalakshi, T.G.T-Tamil, who was the Master on Duty of the Day gave speech that made the tears roll down the cheeks of all listeners. Video clips on the Mahatma were also shown by her in the Morning Assembly.

Salutations to the Patriotic Saint on his Sesquicentennial Birth Anniversary

On 02.12.12, A Grand Photo Exhibition on the life of **Swami Vivekananda**, whose Sesquicentennial (150th) Birth Anniversary, was inaugurated at 11.30 a.m. near the Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium.

Sri. Karthikeyan of **Vivekananda Kendra** gave a speech on the life of Swami Vivekananda.

On 07.01.13, an **Essay writing Competition** to commemorate the 150th birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda was announced by the Principal in the Morning Assembly.

On 12.01.2013, the Sesquicentennial birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda was celebrated in the Vidyalaya with enthusiasm.

The Assembly activities presented by the Senior Aravali Boys were based on the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda.

The message of Swami Vivekananda to the Youth of India appeared on the Message Board of the Heritage Club.

Master. Rajan of X-A gave an inspirational speech on the life of the Swamiji.

Master. Arimavalavam of Class IX-A recited the poem which Swami Vivekananda sang when he first met his Guru Sri Ramakrishna Paramahansa.

Kum. Abinaya of class XI-A dressed up as the Swamiji and expressed what Swamiji expected from the Youth of India.

Sports and Games

Spectacular Sports Event-The London Olympics

On 27.07.2012, to commemorate the inauguration of London Olympics, Mrs.B.A.Visalakshi (TGT-Tamil) MOD of the day showed a PPT on 'OLYMPIC GAMES' in the Morning Assembly.

Cluster Level Games Meet

On 06.09.12, Chess and Table Tennis Cluster level Competitions for all categories were held at JNV,Puducherry. 8 Schools took part in the events.

Students selected for the Regional Kabaddi Team-both boys and girls left for JNV,Prakasam-I at 6.30 a.m. escorted by Mr.R.Arivazhagan, SAI Coach and Mrs.I.A.Fathima, TGT-Hindi

On 08.09.2012, the Chess and Takewonda Teams selected for the Regional Meet were escorted by Mr. P.Periakethiah TGT-English to JNV Yanam.

The Table Tennis Teams selected for the Regional Meet left for JNV,Koppal escorted by Mr. G.Sai Baba, Art Teacher.

On 09.09.12,the Regional Basket Ball players left for JNV, Allepey escorted by Mr. Balasubramaniam, PET.

Sports and Games Federation of India Coaching

On 03.12.12, Kumari.Narmada of Std XI-A and Kum.Bhama of Class X left for Jnv, Mathura escorted by Mrs.P.R.Shankari (PGT-Hindi) to attend SGFI Kabaddi training.

Rajya Puraskar Scouts and Guides Camp.

Around 20 boys and girls escorted by Mrs. C.Periyanyaki (Music Teacher), Guides Captain and Mr.G.Sai Baba, (Art Teacher), Scout Master left

for JNV,Ongole at 10.00 a.m. to attend Raja Puraskar Scouts and Guides Camp.

Knowing Indian Art Forms

SPICMACAY and Purilia Chhau Dance

The scintillating Performance of Purilia Chhau Dance by the West Bengal Troupe

of 16 members under the leadership of Tarapada Rajak at 11.00 a.m. in the Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium enthralled the Audience. They were spell bound.

This programme was initiated by SPICMACAY. Shri.Chinmaya Raj, Co-ordinator of SPICMACAY, Southern Region was also present. It was organized under the guidance of Shri.A.Vinayathan, Principal, JNV Puducherry.

Kum.MThulasi of class VII-A welcomed all. Kum.A. Hyacinth Rosalia of Class X-A gave a brief report of the contributions of SPICMACAY in preserving the rare art,dance and music forms of India.

Kum.Priyadarshini of X-B and Kum.Gnanavalli of IX-B narrated the story of Mahishasura Mardhini

Shri.V.Prasad, PGT-Eng, delivered vote of thanks in Bengali and English.

The colourful, vibrant, pulsating acrobatic dance movements accompanied by rhythmic music, the fight between the lion(vehicle) of the goddess and Mahishasura's buffalo, Lord Karthikey on Peacock, Lord Shiva's Nrithya, Mahishasuramardhini's dance movements and the colourful rich costumes were really amazing and awe inspiring.

The programme came to an end with National Anthem around 12.30.p.m.

Cheran Thudumbattam-the Dying Performing Folk Art Form of Tamil Nadu

The Thudumbattam Team that consisted of 15 boys and 15 girls escorted by Mrs.B.A.Visalakshi, TGT-Tamil, Mrs.M.Sugandhi-TGT-Tamil, Mrs.C.Periayanayagi, Music Teacher left for Kottayam for participating in Regional Cultural Meet.

Venue for Folk Dance Competition

JNV, Puducherry was chosen as the venue for the NCERT's Folk Dance and Role Play Competitions. They were organized at the Regional Level by the National Council of Educational Research and Training for the Southern and Western parts of the Country in our Vidyalaya on 30.10.2012 and on 01.11.2012. Braving the ' Neelam' Cyclone that hit the Pondicherry Coast furiously, The events were successfully conducted by Shri.A.Vinayathan, our Principal.

The Themes for folk Dance Competition were

1. Equal opportunity for boys and girls:Removal of female feticide
- 2.Respect and Care for the Elders
- 3.Protection of Environment
- 4.Drug Abuse

Sustaining the Scientific Temper

Science Quiz

On 25.08.2012, A Science Quiz for Juniors was held at Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium by Mrs.S.Shanthi, TGT-Science.

Quiz at Pondicherry Engineering College

On 10.11.12, the Students of Std.XI and Std XII took part in the Quiz Competition for Rolling Trophy for Science and Technology at Pondicherry

Engineering College. They received certificates for their participation. These Children were escorted by Mr. K.Shankar PGT Physics.

Children's National Science Congress

I.Prakash of Std XI-A left for JNV Bangalore Rural to participate in Science Congress. He was escorted by Ms.V.Haimavathi Mahadevi - (TGT.So.Sc)

Master.I.Prakash of Class XI-A shared her experience with the students and teachers through a ppt on the Regional Children's Science Congress held at Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore from 03.12.2012 to 08.12.12.

Shri.A.Vinayathan, Principal, gave away the certificate and prize to Master.I.Prakash as he stood first in the Quiz Competition held at Indian Institute of Science.

Energy conservation Day

On 14.12.12, on account of Energy conservation Day, the Junior Girls of Siwalik House presented their Assembly activities on 'Energy Conservation' in a very laudable way.

Environmental Etiquette

A Workshop on BEACON for students, teachers and parents by The Energy and Resource Institute,(TERI), New Delhi was conducted at Puducherry. Our students Kumari. Yogeshwari of Std XII-B and Vigneshwaran of XI-B bagged the First Prize in slogan writing with diagram.

Master.Arivarasan of Std.XII-A and Chandravadani of XI-B won 3rd Prize in Curriculum Framing for Energy conservation along with Mr.K.Shankar, PGT, Physics.

The Mega Project

Our School's Mega Project-Waste Management and Energy Conservation

On 13.09.12, the Green Project initiated by Mr.A.Vinayathan, Principal, JNV, Puducherry was formally inaugurated in the presence of Mr.K.Shankar,PGT,Physics, NSS Co-Ordinator by Mr.Nandivarman, Lecturer, Department of Environmental Studies and Ecology, Puducherry University.

The Project includes Gray Water Treatment and Kitchen Waste Management.

A huge pit was dug by boys of Std. XI-B for generating bio gas from kitchen waste near the boys mess in the evening as a part of Waste Management Project of the Vidyalaya On 20.11.12.

Site Visit

On 22.11.2012, Mrs.S.Shanti, T.G.T. Science escorted five children of Std VIII to Mahabalipuram to have a first hand information about generating energy from waste and successful waste Management

Presentation of the Project at JNV, East Godavari

On 07.12.12, the Science Project done by Master. Akash of Class VIII and guided by Mrs.S.Shanti (TGT-Science) at the initiation of Mr.a.Vinayathan, Principal , JNV,Puducherry was presented at JNV East Godavari and got

selected for National Level. The team reached JNV, Puducherry around 12.00 noon.

The title of the Project is Waste Management and Energy Conservation at Vidyalaya level, Puducherry.

Presentation of the Project at Banaras Hindu University

On 03.01.13, In the Morning Assembly, Mrs.S.Shanti narrated her experience in Banaras Hindu University which she visited along with Master. Akash of Class VIII A for presenting the Project -'Waste Management'

Flower Pots

In continuation of this project, students brought flower pots for using treated grey water on 20.01.13.The Flower Park is on the verge of creation near the Old Girls' Hostel.

Organic Farming

Subsequently, Lady teachers and girl students were allotted plots near Guest House for growing the plants using organic materials as compost.

The Project is being done in collaboration with the research scholars and the Professors of Pondicherry University.

In Praise of the Mathematical Wizard of India

Maths Olympiad

37 students of Class XI-A left for JNV, Doddaballapur to attend Maths Olympiad. They were escorted by Mr.S.Silvance (PGT-Mathematics) and Mrs. Valarmathi, Store Keeper on 24.11.2012.

Maths Quiz

On 08.12.12, A Mathematics Quiz for both levels was conducted by Mr.D.Sundaresan, TGT Maths and Mr.D.I.Arulnathan TGT Maths at 2.45 p.m. in the Rajiv Gandhi Auditorium.

On 12.12.12, on account of National Year of mathematics, Mr.D.Sundaresan, TGT Maths, who was the MOD of the day presented PPTs on angles, Triangles and Pythagoras Theorem in the morning Assembly.

On 13.12.12, On account of National Year of Mathematics, Mr.D.I.Arulnathan, TGT Maths. MOD of the day, gave a demonstration of the 'Magic Numbers and palindrome in the morning Assembly.

Quasquicentennial Birth Anniversary of Sri Ramanujam

On 22.12.12, the 125th Birth Anniversay of the Great Indian Mathematician was celebrated in the Vidyalaya.

Shri.Jaya Jothi, Retd. Principal of Kendriya Vidyalaya was the Chief Guest of the function conducted in the afternoon to commemorate the birth anniversary of Ramanujam. This was arranged by the Mthematics Faculty.

On 07.01.13, On account of the National Mathematics Year, Mr.D.Sundaresan, TGT-Maths, the Master on Duty of the Day showed a PPT on 'symmetry'.

On 08.01.13,to commemorate the Quasquicentennial birth anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujam, the great Mathematician of India, Mr.D.I.Arulnathan, TGT-Mathematic, M.O.D of the day gave a demonstration on palindrome numbers with many illustrations.

Miscellaneous Events

The Myth and Truth-Niburu?????

On 18.12.12, Mr.R.Baburaj Jain (TGT-Hindi) Master on Duty showed video clips to alleviate the fear of the children about the alleged intersection of Niburu's orbit with that of the Earth. He appealed to the children that they should not believe the rumours that as per Mayan Calendar, the World will see a deluge and destroyed on 22.12.2012.

Help Age India

Mr.Sivakumar, one of the Directors of the Help Age India an NGO which takes care of the orphaned elderly people in India spoke to the students about respecting and honouring the Elders which is a part and parcel of Indian culture on 08.01.13.
