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Tribute to a LEGEND



Our Founder and Director Mrs. S.S. Jayalakshmi was a woman of courage and compassion. A Pioneer in Integrated Education, a Leader who inspired us with her yeoman Service to humanity.

Mrs. Jayalakshmi, founder of the Vidya Vikasini group of institutions, dared to dream about special education and integration at a time when not many realized the need for specialized training for the differently-abled. She started a pre-school at home and later joined Avinashilingam University's new nursery school. She then won a Ford Foundation scholarship that allowed her to study child development at M.S. University, Baroda. She returned to another job, before setting up the Vidya Vikasini Nursery School in 1973 on Children's Day. The Opportunity School for Special Children was started in 1982 and soon, the two were integrated. Some of the awards that were received in recognition of her service are:

1. "Outstanding Employer of the Handicapped"
Award by Hon. President of India in 1996.
2. "Best Institution Award" from the
Hon. President of India in 2003.

"Best Employer of the Handicapped – Nimker Award" was given by the Govt. of Tamil Nadu in 1996. Similarly, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu gave her the "Best Institution Award" in 2005. Other Awards include "Kalvi Thilagam" by National Integrity Cultural Academy, Chennai and the Sadhana Award in Dec. 2012. Spandan Award 2013 for Special Jury Felicitations posthumously by National Trust, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment in recognition of her life time service to the Mentally Challenged.

It is really a boon for this Great Institution to be founded and directed by such an eminent Educationalist. Her strong philosophies and beliefs are the pillars of strength of this great institution.

"Though your soul laid at rest,
Leaving your successors to do the rest,
We teachers promise you to bring our best,
To keep up the values and principles at the highest!"

Man alone is capable of leaving a legacy and to live beyond his life time.



EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Readers,

Nothing is more powerful than an idea whose time has come. The time has come now and the first issue of our News Letter in the name of 'Vidya Vikasini News & More' is launched today. As we dedicate the first issue to our founder, Smt. S.S. Jayalakshmi, on this special day, there is overwhelming Joy and deep sense of responsibility.

'Inclusive Education' has always been an integral part of Vidya Vikasini Institutions. Our journey along the growth of this reputed institution has revealed the power of ONE. One idea, one thought, one insight, one revelation, one experience, one incident – is all that is required. One idea executed long enough with consistency and efficiency has the power to inspire breakthroughs – the seed for the one idea has been sown by our respectful founder, which has now grown into a big tree. It was her long cherished dream of such publication of activities and achievements in the school and that has taken shape today.

We will continue to aspire to inspire and we will continue to inspire to aspire.

I believe this is, just the beginning ----- Small beginning can make a difference to our overall well being.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to Mr. T.V. Suresh, Present Correspondent and Secretary of Vidya Vikasini Institutions, for providing me with this unique opportunity in giving shape to the First issue of our News Letter. He is the Pivot around which all our activities are centered. Under his dynamic leadership, innovative ideas and able guidance, we are seeing new horizons and we will strive to 'better the best'!

“It is not what we leave for our children
but it is what we leave in our children
that's going to make a difference.
Let us leave in them VALUES”

Director's Desk



I am extremely privileged to be writing this message on the occasion of the inaugural edition of our long awaited News Letter! A dream come true and I am sure our Founder will not only bless us but will be proud of the achievement too!

The News Letter is intended to provide information to our children and their family about the various events, both past and present which are unique to our institution. It serves as a window that showcases our achievements and our plans in improving the caliber of our Institution. We will have articles and useful information from our students going forward and we should in turn improve the concept that we are one.

I congratulate the editorial team for this effort and wish them the very best in this direction!



Principal's Message

Education is an ornament in prosperity and a refuge in adversity.

– Aristotle

Vidya Vikasini has been nurturing young minds for the past 41 years with the belief that **“The heart of education is the education of the heart”**

It gives me immense pleasure to pen a few words as prologue to our school news letter “**VIDYA VIKASINI NEWS & MORE**”. It is exclusively meant to beautify a very wide spectrum of achievements accomplished by our students, futurists of our nation and the school fraternity, who carve the minds of children in believing that

**“Learning gives creativity
Creativity leads to thinking
Thinking provides knowledge
Knowledge makes you great”**

Our institution attains its prominence at the highest level through the triumph of children. This has been given enough print space in “**VIDYA VIKASINI NEWS & MORE**” and also espouses the school spirit which is built up within the school through unified actions, thoughts and aspirations. I hope this effort will serve as a stepping stone towards many milestones we have to cover in pursuit of excellence.

My heartiest thanks are due to the management and the editorial board for being of immense help in breathing life into these pages.

HAPPY READING !

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ABOUT VIDYA VIKASINI

Vidya Vikasini which was started as a Nursery School in 1973, on Children's Day has made rapid stride and evolved as one of the reputed Matriculation Higher Secondary Schools in the City. It is a simple arithmetic count of 4 decades of educational service to the society, but tantamount to a giant leap in the annals of the school history. The results of both Matriculation Board Examination and Higher Secondary Board Examination are testimonials to the commendable efforts of the dedicated teachers and taught.

We have a STATE RANK twice in Hindi, State Highest 99% in Tamil (2012-13), continuous centum results and good number of centums in all the subjects every year. Quite a good number of students have been the toppers at the District Level in the Matric and Hr Sec Board Exam.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Matric Board Exam 2014

We have achieved centum results. This year's highest mark is 496/500 with 154/186 students passing out in distinction. Vinitha M secured 496/ 500 with centums in English, Maths and Science. She claims **DISTRICT THIRD** rank. There were 40 centums in Science, 16 centums in Maths, 9 centums in Social Science and 2 centums in English for the first time, totaling to 67 centums.

Higher Secondary Board Exam 2014

154 students appeared for the exam and all the 154 students were successful. Out of 154 students 26 students scored above 1100 and 73 students above 1000, is the outcome of the sincere efforts by the students.

Priyavarsha Ravichandran is the topper with 1175/1200 and R. Dhanush scoring the 2nd highest 1174/1200, but with centums in all the 4 optionals, Qualifying himself for C.M's Scholarship. There was a centum in Accountancy, 2 centums in Maths, 3 centums in Commerce and Business Maths. This honour is the result of our honest toil.

CAMPUS NEWS

Ms. Geetha Sadhasivam retired as a Principal on 31.05.2014. Considering her dedicated service of 32 years, in this great institution, she has been given a new assignment as Advisor – Academic Advancement from June 2nd 2014.

Then Vice Principal Mr. P. Manimaran has been promoted as Principal of this reputed institution. Management wishes both of them to excel in their new posts.

School reopens on 2nd June 2014

VEDIC MATHS

Vedic Mathematics is an Indian wisdom of solving Mathematical problems. It is by far the most simplified and understanding system of Mathematics. Vedic Maths reduces fear of numbers and Mathematical concepts. It uses short and efficient aphorism to express principles and rules. Vedic Maths is not historical and is not about mathematical tricks; it provides insights into the very nature of the subject and the human psyche. Vedic Maths has been introduced to our students of classes III to VII.

"We may not be able to prepare the future for our children,
but we can prepare our children for the future"

- Franklin Roosevelt

ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR XI STD STUDENTS

The School reopened for XI Std on 16.06.2014. New academic year has started with a few new comers stepping into the campus in the midst of known faces. The first day started with pooja in the temple and orientation programme for the students. It was to give a clear picture about our institution for the new comers. It helps them to improve their confidence and facilitates them for a good start and to unfold them to be better prepared for the new environment. Our correspondent Mr. T.V. Suresh addressed the students and Mr. P. Manimaran, Principal enlightened the students about the rules and regulations of our school and stressed the importance of discipline.

AWARENESS PROGRAMMES

There is no life without water. Understanding the need of the hour, 9th June 2014. to create an awareness regarding depleting water resources and the need for conservation, a rally was taken up by IX std students, on the National Highways, in Thudiyalur area.

On 2nd July Health awareness programme was conducted by Dr. Sneha Suresh for our girl students of VI – VIII standards. She explained how health and hygiene are inter related and discussed about some common health and hygiene problems in girls.



GOSHALA

The National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD) – Chennai, which spearheads vocational training for the Disabled persons under the Prime Minister's National Council on skill development programme, sanctioned 'GOSHALA' project for our Vidya Vikasini Opportunity School. The project was inaugurated on 09.06.2014 by Sri. R. Viswanathan, Councilor, Ward No.4. Kurudamplayam Panchayat and Mr. Gunasekhar from NIEPMD.

Our Director Sri T.V. Suresh immensely thanked the NIEPMD for this project and explained it length how this project will instill self confidence among these students. Presently there are 5 cows and 5 calves in the Goshala.



“e - SAADHYA”



“e-SAADHYA” Computer training for the teachers of Vidya Vikasini Opportunity School was given on 09.08.2014 and 10.08.2014. This training is first of its kind in Tamil Nadu, conducted by Centre for Development of Advanced Computing, (C_DAC) Bangalore. This training vividly supplied adaptable and accessible e-learning frame work for the children with mild Mental Retardation and Autism. This special training programme was inaugurated by the Correspondent and Secretary Mr. T.V. Suresh and the Resource persons were Mr. J. Vaishnav Kumar and Mr. Ram Naresh Sharma of C-DAC, Bangalore.

MOTIVATION AND CAREER GUIDANCE

Three sessions were conducted for commerce students of XI & XII to motivate them to undertake Chartered Accountancy courses. On 2nd August Guest speaker Chartered Accountant Mr. K. Badri Narayanan gave all details in pursuit of becoming a Chartered Accountant. Similarly on 14th August, CMA Mrs. Meena Ramji and CMA Mr. K.R. Subramaniam explained very clearly, learning possibilities of Cost Accountancy. Third session, which was held on 3rd Sep. Mr. G.Vasudevan explained the role of a Company Secretary and the stages to become a Company Secretary. From all these three sessions students understood the eligibility, fees details, subjects and number of papers involved, placement and employment prospects. On 18th November, Dr. Raj Tilak, MDS, HOD of RVS Dental College, addressed the Biology Students of Higher Secondary and enlightened them the details of Dentistry, followed by a lively interaction.

“CHANNEL LIGHT” Programme for teachers was conducted on 18.10.2014 by Mrs. Brindha. She taught the staff members how one can channelize light which helps memory, calmness, health etc. It also gives peace. All the members felt that such practice will help us to free from stress and strains. The same exercise is planned for the students also.



CELEBRATIONS

“WE SWEAR TO REVERE BORN LEADERS”

On 15th July 2014, Kamaraj's Birthday was celebrated and the function was presided over by Mrs. Shanmugadevi a teacher from Govt. HSS, Vellalur. Students gracefully danced and enacted plays depicting the morals we learn from the life of Mr. Kamaraj. Children took part in Essay Writing, Elocution and Poetry Competitions, commemorating Kamaraj's Birthday. On 31.07.2014 Sports day was celebrated in our Nursery School.

“**WORK WITHOUT FAITH AND PRAYER IS AN ARTIFICIAL FLOWER WITHOUT FRAGRANCE**”. In August 2014, our temple's 22nd annual day was celebrated.

Special Pooja was conducted for all the deities of Lord Ganesha, Goddess Saraswathi and Lakshmi, Anchaneya and Dhakshinamoorthy. Piety was maintained by all throughout the day in the campus. On 27th August our Tiny Tots celebrated Independence Day, Vinayaka Chaturthi, Krishna Jayanthi and Onam. Apart from these celebrations, 'Star Kids' Programme is conducted on alternative Saturdays to bring out the talents in these children.

2nd September 2014 witnessed the Installation of Office bearers for our Interact Club by Rtn PHF. Arunachalam A R, President, Rotary Club of Coimbatore Central. Aathira C became the president of Interact Club, promised to undertake very many projects to help the less fortunate. Rotarian President, Secretary and our Correspondent Mr. T.V. Suresh felicitated the new office bearers and congratulated the outgoing team for their service.

Teachers' Day was celebrated by our students a day in advance in the campus and honoured all the teachers. In recognition of their service, our management took them for a picnic to Thirumoorthy Hills and Azhiar Dam on 5th September 2014. Teachers were rejuvenated and thanked the management immensely. Diwali celebration was done by our Nursery students after coming back from the Diwali Holidays.

Vidya Vikasini Website was inaugurated on 19th Sep 2014 in the Annual General Body Meeting.(www.vidyavikasini.edu.in) “World Day for the Disabled” was celebrated in our campus on 10.12.2014 in grandeur. It was inaugurated by Mr. D. Palanisamy, Chief Regional Manager, IOB, Cbe. Mr. S Jeyaraman, President of Vidya Vikasini Society felicitated the students and Mrs. Bageerathi Jeyaraman distributed the prizes. Mr. Suresh, our Correspondent felicitated and thanked the Chief guests.



“If Love cannot, nothing else can”

Second Founder's Day is being celebrated on 12.12.2014 wherein Sri. M. Krishnan, Managing Director, Sri Krishna Sweets, Cbe, presides over the function and guest speaker fiykhkzp kugpd;; ike;jd; Kj;ijah will deliver the key note on 'khzth;fis nkijahf;Fk; gd;Kff;fy;tp'. Our Correspondent Mr. T.V. Suresh welcomes the gathering and honour the teachers/pioneers, who have put in long years of service and strived hard to develop the Institution. The function is planned and organized by the Principal, Advisor and Admin office along with a dedicated committee of staff members & student volunteers. This founder's day has a special significance of releasing the first issue of 'Vidya Vikasini News Letter'. Mr. Suresh presents the first copy to Sri. M. Krishnan and other dignitaries on the stage.

FIELD TRIPS

On 01.07.2014 our Nursery children visited Saradhambal Temple and on the next day, Sri Ashtansa Anjaneya Temple.

XI Standard students visited Gem Hospital on 15.10.2014 to get an exposure of Gem National Gastro Expo 2014. This was organized by Gem Hospital & Research Centre in commemoration with Silver Jubilee.

On 16.10.2014, Tiny Tots of Nursery School visited our Goshala at V.S.K. Nagar, Vadamadurai. They were delighted to see the cows & calves and they fed them with bananas and grass.

COMPETITIONS

In commemoration with Children's Day, different age groups under the banner of GUFFAW, for Primary classes between 12 – 14 November 2014 and VIDYOTSAV for the students of VI – XII on 7th and 8th of November 2014. These competitions are conducted every year to bring out the inherent talents in children.



SCIENCE PROJECTS

Nearly 18 students participated in Science Exhibition on 12.07.2014 conducted by Nehru Vidyalaya in which Abinaya S of VIII B was adjudged as Best Performer in Group I and Varun M & Saran Karthik S of XII bagged 1st prize in Group II.

On 1 / 2.08.2014 in the Science Exhibition conducted by Vivegam Institution Sathya Narayanan B & Swaroop Balaji of IX B won the 2nd prize in Group I and in Group II 1st prize was bagged by Jayasurya N & Vishal Subramaniam R of XI A. The same pair joining with Varun M and Saran Karthik S won the 2nd prize in the Science Exhibition conducted by CIT.

SPORTS GALORE

(June – December 2014)

Name of the Student / Group	Age Group	Event	Level	Result
Ajay Abhishek B	U 13 yrs	Badminton	District	Runner-up
Arulmozhi S	U 15 yrs	Badminton	District	Winner
Girls Team	U 17 yrs	Badminton	T N State Ranking	Runner (Selected for State Level)
Nitesh Rexson L	U 17 yrs	Chess	-	Third
Dhanuvanth S	U 19 yrs	Chess	-	Third
Boys Team	U 14	Volley Ball	North Zone	Winner

"If Love cannot, nothing else can"

Name of the Student / Group	Age Group	Event	Level	Result
Girls Team	U 17			
	U 19	Ball Badminton	North Zone	Winner
Girls Team	U 17			
	U 19	Hockey	North Zone	Winner
Boys Team	U 14			
	U 17			
	U 19	Hockey	North Zone	Winner
Girls Team	U 14			
	U 17	Kho Kho	North Zone	Winner
Boys Team	U 19	Kho Kho	North Zone	Winner
Girls Team	U 14	Table Tennis	North Zone	Winner
Boys Team	U 17	Table Tennis	North Zone	Winner
Girls Team	U 14			
	U 17			
	U 19	Shuttle Badminton	North Zone	Winner
Boys Team	U 14			
	U 17	Shuttle Badminton	North Zone	Winner
Girls Team	U 19	Hockey	District	Winner
Boys Team	U 17	Hockey	District	Winner
Girls Team	U 17	Kho Kho	District	Runner-up
Girls Team	U 17	Tennis	District	Third Place
Girls Team	U 17	Ball Badminton	District	Runner-up
Girls Team	U 14	Volley Ball	District	Winner
Girls Team Singles & Doubles	U 14	Badminton	District	Runner
	U 17			
Madhumitha	U 13	Karate	National Open Karate	Second
Harish K	U 13			
Sheryl Angeline M	U 14			Third
SELECTED FOR NATIONALS Alamelu in Swimming				

**Basket Ball Court was installed and inaugurated by our correspondent on 17.11.2014.
Hats off to our Physical Education Staff !**

GOLDEN MOMENT

Adithya S and Ujjwal M of III Std appeared for Tenth State Level Science Talent Search Exam 2013 and were ranked 4th and 6th at the State Level respectively, in Level I. They received a cash award of Rs.4000/- and Rs.2000/- respectively, in the valedictory function held at Velammal Hr Sec School, Chennai on 1st November 2014.



ADITHYA S



UJJWAL M

**“More than what a teacher feels for you,
what you feel for the teacher, Makes all the difference.
- Mahatria Ra**