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LITTLE HANDS AT WORK

Ms. Sarala B, Nursery Educator



To enhance children's fine motor skills and finger grip, we introduced a scissor-cutting activity. This was not just a playful exercise but also an opportunity for them to develop essential skills. Using scissors requires precise finger movements, which help strengthen the small muscles in the fingers, hands, and wrists—essential for tasks like writing, drawing, and using tools.

The children were given safe, age-appropriate scissors and colorful paper to work with. This activity also supported their hand-eye coordination as they had to align their cutting with the outlines. Beyond improving their grip, it encouraged focus, patience, and creativity.





#2

FANCY DRESS COMPETITION: REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE!

Ms.Devi S, Senior KG Educator



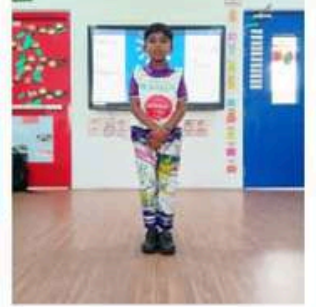
The Senior KG students put their creativity and awareness of sustainability on full display during the Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Fancy Dress Competition. Dressed in outfits made from recyclable materials such as newspapers, cardboard, plastic spoons, straws, and paper cups, our young learners showcased their commitment to protecting the environment.

Each student confidently took the stage to talk about their costume and the importance of using recycled materials. They emphasized how small efforts—like reusing old items and reducing waste—can help save our planet. It was inspiring to see their enthusiasm and understanding of sustainability at such a young age.

The event not only encouraged children to think creatively but also reinforced the significance of eco-friendly practices in daily life. Through this activity, our little environmentalists proved that fashion can be fun, innovative, and sustainable!



**Reduce
Reuse
Recycle**



#3

JUNGLE SAFARI DAY IN JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

Ms. Sivaranjani S ,Junior KG Educator



"Roar like a lion, swing like a monkey, hop like a bunny, stomp like an elephant—welcome to the jungle!"

Our little explorers had a roaring fun time on Jungle Safari Day! Dressed as their favorite jungle animals, they posed for adorable photos, showing off their wild side. The excitement continued as they watched The Lion King, eagerly following Simba's adventure through the jungle. To wrap up the day, they danced to Animals in Action, moving like lions, monkeys, and elephants. It was a day filled with laughter, learning, and jungle fun—bringing the wild to life right in our classroom!



#4

पोंगल का त्योहार – वाचन कौशल

Ms. Ankita Saha, Grade 5 Hindi Educator

पोंगल का त्योहार तमिलनाडु का एक प्रमुख त्योहार है। इसे प्रत्येक वर्ष जनवरी के महीने में मनाया जाता है। तमिलनाडु में पोंगल को फसल उत्सव के रूप में मनाया जाता है। यह त्योहार हमें अपनी संस्कृति से जोड़ता है। कक्षा 5 के छात्रों ने पोंगल से जुड़े पोस्टर बनाए और पोंगल के त्योहार पर कुछ पंक्तियाँ कहीं। इस गतिविधि का उद्देश्य छात्रों के वाचन कौशल में वृद्धि करना तथा त्योहार के महत्व को समझाना था | इस गतिविधि से छात्र हमारी संस्कृति और एकता को समझने तथा अपने विचार व्यक्त करने में सक्षम हुए।



AIL - Art Integrated learning



CULTURAL CULINARY CONNECTION - JAMMU & KASHMIR AND TAMIL NADU

Ms. Bauviya S, Grade 7 Educator

India, a land of diverse cultures, languages, and traditions, is equally rich in its culinary heritage. Each region showcases unique flavors, cooking techniques, and traditional dishes shaped by local ingredients, climate, and cultural influences. Among the most distinct gastronomic regions are Jammu and Kashmir in the north and Tamil Nadu in the south. While Jammu and Kashmir is known for its hearty, spice-infused cuisine, Tamil Nadu is celebrated for its fragrant rice dishes and intricate dosas. Through this engaging activity, our Grade VII students explored the contrasts in food culture, cooking techniques, and signature dishes of these two diverse regions, gaining a deeper appreciation for India's rich culinary diversity.



FESTIVALS OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND TAMIL NADU

Ms. Minimole, Grade 6 Educator

As part of the Art-Integrated Learning initiative, the Grade 6 students showcased their creativity and knowledge by preparing PowerPoint presentations on the theme “Festivals of Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu” on 24th January 2025. This activity aimed to foster cultural awareness, creativity, and research skills.

Students explored the significance, rituals, and artistic aspects of festivals such as Eid, the Tulip Festival, the Hemis Festival, and Navroz from Jammu & Kashmir, alongside Pongal, Karthigai Deepam, and Tamil New Year from Tamil Nadu. Their presentations highlighted similarities and differences in traditions, climate influences, and artistic expressions, integrating visuals, animations, and creative designs.

The activity enhanced students' understanding of India's cultural diversity while promoting teamwork, technological proficiency, and creativity. It was a successful and enriching learning experience that encouraged students to appreciate the vibrant traditions of these two distinct regions.



BIODIVERSITY SHOWCASE – A COMPARISON OF KASHMIR AND TAMIL NADU

Ms. Kamatchi S., Grade 8 Math Educator

The Biodiversity Showcase Activity is an engaging initiative designed to help Grade 8 students explore and compare the rich biodiversity of Kashmir and Tamil Nadu through creative art. By focusing on themes such as plants, animals, and landscapes, students will select one region and a specific topic to represent in their artwork.

Each student will present their creation, highlighting unique aspects of the biodiversity they have captured. Using basic materials like paper, colors, and reference resources, this activity seamlessly blends learning with creativity, enhancing students' knowledge of regional flora, fauna, and habitats while also building confidence through presentations. It serves as a simple yet effective way to foster environmental awareness and appreciation among young learners.

Learning Outcomes:

- Understand the diverse plants, animals, and habitats of Kashmir and Tamil Nadu.
- Use art as a medium to express learning.
- Develop confidence by presenting individual work.

This individual activity encourages students to delve deeply into the biodiversity of their chosen region while showcasing their findings in a unique and artistic way. By combining research with creativity, students gain a deeper appreciation for nature in a fun, engaging, and easy-to-follow manner!





CELEBRATION OF THE 76TH REPUBLIC DAY AT BHIS-K

Ms Kalpana Kumari, Activities Coordinator

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated with immense patriotic fervor on the school campus of Billabong High International School, Kelambakkam. The event began with the ceremonial unfurling of the National Flag by our esteemed Principal, which was followed by the singing of the National Anthem, filling the air with pride and unity.

The students of BHIS-K delivered a soulful and melodious patriotic mash-up song that left everyone mesmerized. Adding to the occasion, Ms. Ashika, the class teacher of Grade 3A, shared a thoughtful insight into the significance of Republic Day, reminding everyone of its historical and national importance.

The Principal addressed the gathering with an inspiring message, emphasizing the values enshrined in our Constitution and the responsibilities we hold as citizens of this great nation. She paid tribute to the contributions of the remarkable leaders and visionaries who shaped India as a republic.

The celebration brought the entire BHIS-K family together in a moment of reflection and gratitude, honoring the legacy of those who laid the foundation for our country's democratic ideals. The event concluded on a high note, instilling a sense of patriotism and pride in every individual present.







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