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Creating Bonds, Sharing Smiles

Ms. Pallavi Patel, Kindergarten & Pre-Primary Academic Coordinator



Our Kindergarten students celebrated Friendship Day with great enthusiasm through a delightful Friendship Band Making activity. The children creatively designed colourful friendship bands using a variety of craft materials, expressing love, kindness, and the joy of friendship.

The activity encouraged creativity, sharing, and teamwork while helping the little ones understand the importance of caring for and appreciating their friends. The children enthusiastically created their colourful bands and proudly shared them with their friends.

The cheerful smiles, excitement, and warm moments of sharing made the celebration truly memorable, reminding everyone that friendship grows through kindness, caring, and togetherness.



Did you know?

- Friendship helps children learn important values such as sharing, caring, and kindness.
- Creative activities help young children express their feelings and ideas.
- Making and sharing friendship bands is a fun way to celebrate the special bonds between friends.



Celebrating Kindness, Creativity, and Friendship



Did you know?

Kind words and helpful actions can make our friends feel special and valued. Friendship activities encourage children to express their feelings creatively.

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Did you know?

Team activities help children develop cooperation and communication skills.

Celebrating Kindness, Creativity, and Friendship



Did you know?

- Working together on craft activities helps children develop fine motor skills and creativity.
- Celebrating Friendship Day helps children understand the importance of love, kindness, and togetherness.

Shape Builders

Exploring 2D Shapes

Ms. Sarala B, Grade 1 Maths Educator

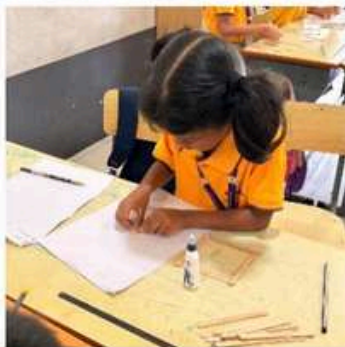


This week, our Grade 1 students explored the concept of 2D shapes through a fun and engaging hands-on activity using ice cream sticks. They used the sticks to create different shapes such as squares, rectangles, triangles, and other familiar 2D shapes.

As they built each shape, the students observed and discussed its features, including the number of sides and corners, helping them develop a clear understanding of shape formation. The activity encouraged the children to think creatively, improve their fine motor skills, and strengthen their problem-solving abilities. They participated with great enthusiasm and enjoyed the opportunity to learn by doing.



Learning Geometry Through Hands-on Fun



Did you know?

- A rectangle has 4 sides and 4 corners, with opposite sides being equal.
- We can find 2D shapes in many objects around us, such as windows, doors, clocks, and signs.

Masculine and Feminine Gender

A Magical Matching Activity



Ms. Vasunthara, Grade 1 English Educator

The Grade 1 students enthusiastically participated in a Masculine and Feminine Gender Sorting Activity using a colourful interactive chart. With the help of a Magical Matching Scale, they correctly paired masculine and feminine gender words while discussing different examples.

The engaging hands-on activity strengthened their vocabulary and helped them develop a better understanding of gender words. The students actively participated in the sorting and matching challenge, making the grammar lesson both fun and meaningful.

The activity encouraged learning through exploration and interaction, while boosting the students' confidence in using new words and applying their understanding in a practical way.



Learning Grammar Through Interactive Fun



Brave Heroes in Action

A Visit to Kalavakkam Fire Station

Ms. Vasunthara, Grade 1 Educator



Our Grade 1 students visited the Kalavakkam Fire Station as part of an educational field trip. The visit provided them with an exciting opportunity to learn about the importance of fire engines and the brave role of firefighters during emergencies.

The students became familiar with the firefighters' uniforms and safety equipment and learned how these tools help them carry out their duties safely. They were especially excited to watch a live water-spraying demonstration and discover how the fire engine stores water for emergency situations.

The visit was both fun and informative, giving our young learners a memorable hands-on experience beyond the classroom. It helped them develop a deeper appreciation for firefighters and the important role they play in keeping our communities safe.



Did you know?

- **Firefighters wear special protective clothing and equipment to keep themselves safe during emergencies.**
- **Fire engines carry water and essential equipment needed to fight fires.**



Meeting Our Everyday Heroes



Did you know?

- Firefighters help people and animals during different types of emergencies.
- Educational visits help children connect classroom learning with real-world experiences.

Learning About Fire Safety Through Real-Life Experiences



Did you know?

- Fire engines have ladders, hoses, pumps, and other tools to help firefighters during emergencies.
- Firefighters use hoses to spray water or special substances to control and put out fires.

Learning About Fire Safety Through Real-Life Experiences



Did you know?

- Fire stations are equipped with alarms that alert firefighters when there is an emergency.
- Firefighters also help rescue people and animals during accidents and other emergencies.

Learning About Fire Safety Through Real-Life Experiences



Did you know?

- Smoke can be dangerous, so firefighters use breathing equipment when entering smoke-filled areas.
- Firefighters work as a team and communicate with each other during rescue operations.

Word Wall Wonders

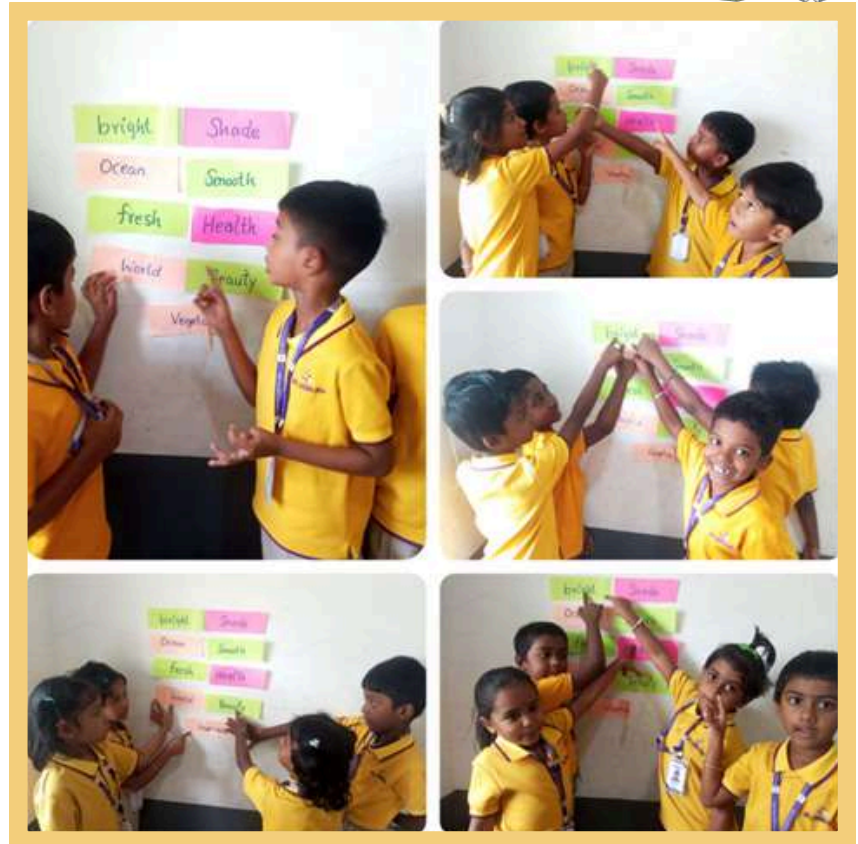
Building Vocabulary Through Fun!

Ms. Vasunthara, Grade 1 English Educator



Our Grade 1 students actively participated in an engaging Word Wall Vocabulary Activity. They carefully read the given text and identified various new vocabulary words. The students discussed the meanings of the words, practised their pronunciation, and used them in meaningful contexts.

The activity also strengthened their phonics skills through blending and segmenting while reading unfamiliar words. It enhanced their vocabulary, reading fluency, word recognition, pronunciation, and confidence in using new words effectively. Through this interactive learning experience, the students discovered that learning new words can be both enjoyable and meaningful. The activity encouraged them to become confident readers while expanding their vocabulary and communication skills.



Read, Recognise, Learn, and Grow



Hear, Observe, Discover

Listening to the Sounds Around Us

Ms. Niveditha, Grade 2 Science Educator



Our Grade 2 students took part in an engaging outdoor learning activity to explore the different sounds around them. They carefully listened to sounds in and around the school and observed their sources. The children identified whether each sound came from a living or non-living thing and classified it as a loud or soft sound.

The students observed a variety of sounds, including the school bell ringing, leaves and trees rustling in the wind, children laughing, the PE teacher's whistle, footsteps while walking, the class teacher's voice, and sounds from outside the classroom. They recorded their observations and enthusiastically shared their findings with the class.

This hands-on activity helped students strengthen their listening, observation, classification, and thinking skills while making learning enjoyable and meaningful. It encouraged our young learners to become more aware of the sounds in their everyday environment and appreciate the fascinating world of sound.



Did you know?

Listening carefully helps us improve our observation and concentration skills.

Our surroundings are filled with many different sounds, from nature, people, animals, and everyday objects.



Exploring Our World Through Sound



Did you know?

Sounds are produced when objects vibrate.

Magnets in Motion

Exploring the Invisible Forces of Magnets



Ms. Bitha Vinod, Grade 6 Science Educator

Learning stepped beyond the pages of the textbook as Grade 6 students showcased the fascinating properties of magnets through a variety of creative classroom demonstrations. With carefully prepared models, simple materials, and innovative ideas, the students explained concepts such as attraction, repulsion, and the directive property in a clear and engaging way.

Each presentation reflected the effort the students had put into planning their demonstrations. Their creative models and practical activities helped everyone understand how magnets behave in different situations, making the concepts easy to visualise and remember. The confidence with which they shared their ideas and answered questions added to the success of the activity.

The session beautifully highlighted how hands-on learning encourages deeper understanding, creativity, and collaboration, making science both meaningful and enjoyable.



Did you know?

A freely suspended magnet generally points in the North–South direction.

Magnets can attract certain materials, such as iron, nickel, and cobalt.

Where Creativity Meets Nature

Exploring the World of Habitats

Ms. Bitha Vinod, Grade 5 Science Educator

Grade 5 students transformed their understanding of different habitats into impressive three-dimensional models, showcasing the beauty and diversity of nature through their creativity. From desert, forest, polar, and aquatic habitats, each display reflected thoughtful planning, careful observation, and remarkable attention to detail.

Using a variety of materials, the students recreated lifelike habitats that beautifully captured the unique features of each environment. While many expressed their ideas through creative models, some students further enriched their presentations with informative PowerPoint presentations, confidently explaining the characteristics of different habitats and the organisms that live in them. The activity blended scientific learning with creativity, communication, and teamwork. It was a wonderful display of imagination and effort, demonstrating that learning becomes truly meaningful when students bring concepts to life through their own ideas and expressions.

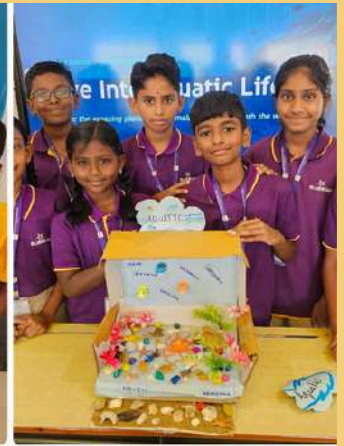


Did you know?



- **Different habitats provide the food, water, shelter, and space that living organisms need to survive.**
- **Deserts, forests, polar regions, and aquatic environments have very different conditions and support different kinds of organisms.**
- **Animals and plants have special adaptations that help them survive in their habitats.**
- **Creating 3D models helps students understand scientific concepts through visual and hands-on learning.**

Exploring Nature, Creating, and Learning Together



Behind the Crunch

Our Parle-G Adventure!

Ms. Sneha, Primary Coordinator



Our Grade 3 to 5 students had an exciting and memorable educational trip to the Parle-G Biscuit Factory, Madhavaram, on 4th August 2026. The visit gave them an opportunity to discover how their favourite biscuits are made and understand the journey from ingredients to the final product.

The students began by watching an interesting video about the journey of Parle-G as a brand. They then explored the factory area and observed the fascinating process—from the preparation of ingredients and dough to baking and packing. It was a wonderful opportunity to connect classroom learning with real-world experiences.

The excitement continued throughout the journey! Students enjoyed singing, dancing, sharing snacks and lunch, and spending joyful moments with their friends on the bus. To make the experience even sweeter, each student received a small pack of Parle-G biscuits, which they happily enjoyed.

It was truly a day filled with learning, laughter, friendship, and, of course, a delicious crunch!



Did you know?

Educational visits help students connect classroom concepts with real-world experiences.



A Delicious Journey of Discovery and Fun



Did you know?

Factory visits allow students to observe how teamwork and organised processes help create everyday products.

A Delicious Journey of Discovery and Fun



Did you know?

Learning through real-life experiences makes lessons more engaging, memorable, and meaningful.

Billabong's Got Talent



A Celebration of Creativity and Confidence

Ms. Devi S., Activities Coordinator

Billabong High International School, Kelambakkam, proudly hosted the much-awaited interschool cultural competition, Billabong's Got Talent. The event brought together talented students from various schools, creating a vibrant platform to showcase creativity, confidence, and passion.

The campus buzzed with excitement as participants competed in a variety of events, including dance, music, art, and literary activities. Each performance reflected dedication and unique talent, bringing the stage alive with energy and enthusiasm.

Adding to the festive spirit, house-wise competitions were also conducted within the school. Students enthusiastically participated in house board decoration and rangoli competitions, displaying their artistic skills, teamwork, and creativity. The colourful rangolis and beautifully designed boards added charm and vibrance to the entire campus.

The competition encouraged healthy rivalry, teamwork, and sportsmanship among students. The judges had a challenging task selecting the winners, as every participant showcased remarkable talent.

The event was a grand success, leaving behind joyful memories and inspiring students to explore their abilities further. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents for their continuous support and encouragement, which played a vital role in the success of the event.

Billabong's Got Talent truly celebrated the spirit of creativity and provided a wonderful opportunity for every child to shine. It was indeed a day filled with talent, colours, and unforgettable moments!



Did you know?

Talent competitions help children build confidence, communication skills, and stage presence.

Where Talent Takes Centre Stage



Celebrating Creativity, Confidence, and Young Talent



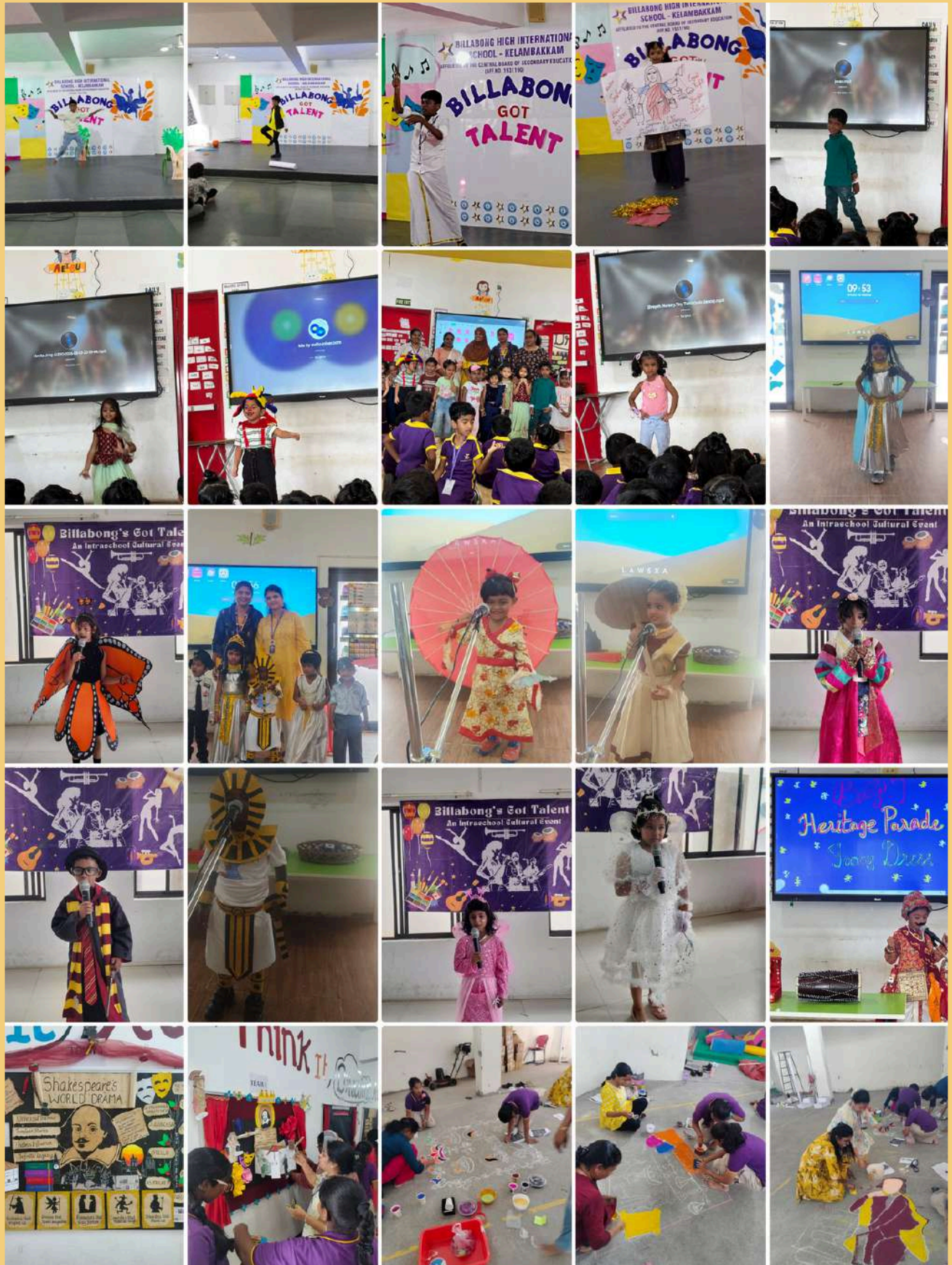
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Hall of Fame

Shining Stars of Kindergarten – August '26

Ms Pallavi Patel,

Kindergarten & Preprimary coordinator



Every little achievement is a reason to shine!

We proudly celebrate our Kindergarten Star Students for the month of August 2026. These little learners were recognised for demonstrating good classroom habits, kindness, sharing, participation, helpfulness, and enthusiasm for learning.

Their cheerful smiles, caring nature, and eagerness to participate in classroom activities have made them wonderful role models for their friends. Each little star has shown that learning and growing happen through small, joyful steps every day.

Congratulations to our little shining stars!

Keep smiling, learning, sharing, and spreading happiness wherever you go! Shining Stars of Primary – August '26 Grade 1&2



Hall of Fame

Shining Stars of Grade 1 & 2 – August '26 Celebrating Every Little Achievement!

Ms Pallavi Patel,
Kindergarten & Preprimary coordinator

Celebrating Every Little Achievement!

We proudly celebrate our Grades 1–2 Star Students for July 2026. One student from each section was recognised for displaying discipline, responsibility, consistency, punctuality, and positive behaviour.

Their enthusiasm, good habits, and cheerful attitude make them wonderful role models for their peers.

Congratulations, shining stars!

Keep learning, growing, and making every day count!



Hall of Fame

Shining Stars of Primary – August '26 (Grades 3–5) Celebrating Consistency, Character, & Commitment

Ms Sneha R, Primary Coordinator



Success begins with consistency!

We proudly recognize our Grades 3–5 Star Students for the month of July 2026. One student from each section was selected for demonstrating discipline, punctuality, consistency, responsibility, and exemplary behaviour throughout the month.

These shining stars have set a wonderful example for their peers through their dedication and positive attitude. Their achievement reflects the importance of making responsible choices and giving one's best every day.

Congratulations to our shining stars!

Keep inspiring others with your dedication and continue to reach greater heights



Hall of Fame

Celebrating Creativity and Confidence Students Shine at HIS Padur Interschool Competition

Ms. Srividya Acharya, Activities Coordinator

On 1st August 2026, the talented students of our school participated in the HIS Padur Interschool Competition, showcasing their creativity, artistic skills, imagination, and confidence across a variety of events. The competition provided a wonderful platform for students to explore their talents, interact with peers from other schools, and demonstrate their abilities beyond the classroom.

Our students enthusiastically participated in different categories, making the school proud with their dedication and creativity.

- **Gond Art – Farhan Sha, Grade 6:** Farhan beautifully explored the traditional Gond art form, bringing vibrant patterns and imaginative elements to life through his artwork and securing 2nd place in the competition.
- **Pointillism – Venbha S, Grade 8:** Venbha showcased patience and precision through Pointillism, creating an impressive artwork using the distinctive technique of dots.
- **Comic Strips – Yogavarshini V, Grade 11:** Yogavarshini demonstrated her storytelling and creative skills by presenting an engaging comic strip filled with imagination and expression, securing 1st place in the competition.
- **Extempore – Rishitha R Bhat, Grade 11:** Rishitha displayed remarkable confidence, presence of mind, and effective communication while participating in the Extempore event. She secured 3rd place.

The participation of our students reflected their willingness to take on new challenges and learn through meaningful experiences. Each participant brought their unique talent and enthusiasm to the competition, making the event a memorable learning experience.

We congratulate Farhan Sha, Venbha S, Yogavarshini V, and Rishitha R Bhat for representing our school with pride and wish them continued success in all their future endeavours!



Hall of Fame

Conquering the Himalayas A Journey to New Heights!

Ms. Juveria Nahid, Grade 6 Educator



Some achievements are measured in marks and medals, while others are measured in courage, endurance, and the willingness to step beyond one's comfort zone. Ezhiloviya's remarkable Himalayan adventure is certainly one to celebrate!

K. Ezhiloviya of Grade 6A successfully completed a high-altitude Himalayan trek at 11,830 feet in Dayara Bugyal, Uttarakhand, as part of a multi-day experiential learning expedition conducted by INSOUL – Indiahikes School of Outdoor Learning.

The journey was much more than a trek. It was an opportunity to experience nature, embrace challenges, and discover inner strength. Battling rugged terrain and freezing temperatures, Ezhiloviya demonstrated determination and resilience throughout the expedition, successfully reaching the summit and completing the trek.

At such a young age, taking on a high-altitude Himalayan trek is a remarkable accomplishment. It reflects qualities such as courage, perseverance, responsibility, and resilience—qualities that help young learners grow beyond the classroom.

Ezhiloviya's journey reminds us that great heights are reached one determined step at a time. Her achievement is an inspiration to young explorers everywhere to step beyond their comfort zones, embrace challenges, and discover what they are capable of achieving.

From the classroom to the Himalayas, Ezhiloviya has truly shown us what it means to reach for the heights!





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