

Vriksha Global School – Tiruchengode

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A very good evening to one and all present here. “The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams”. It gives me immense pleasure to welcome our chief guest for the day **Mr. Muruganandam M**, Chairman **Mr.Rajasekaran** and **Mrs. Malathi Rajasekaran**. Our beloved and respected Correspondent **Mr.Harinivas Rajasekaran**, Our Director **Mrs. Nivedha Harinivas**, the invited dignitaries, Parents , Teachers and my dear Vrikshians, I welcome you all on the occasion of our 7th Annual School Nite – **The Broadway – Light, Camera, Action .**

Looking back at our journey of 7 years. We are happy and proud of the milestones achieved in various spheres. With a deep sense of exhilaration and delectation. I present the Annual Report of the year 2018-19. On this joyous moment, I thank each and every one for your relentless support and encouragement, the dedication and untiring efforts that have taken Vriksha to the towering heights of success.

We at Vriksha have strived hard to achieve our set goals and set milestones to achieve higher goals in the forthcoming years. There have been many changes at the School this year in terms of academics, communication, behavioral management, professional development, technology, co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Teachers worked together in various training sessions to align the curriculum and understand the Uniform system of Assessment devised by CBSE this year. This will assure that students are learning all that they should be as they progress through our academic program. We cater to students from all sections of society and we recognize this as a challenge and have

actively worked to develop systems and processes to deal with this issue by having special academic enrichment programs.

A glimpse of the academic accomplishments

With high expectation and academic rigour, Vrikshians started their journey through the year 2017-18 on 12th June 2017. The academic prowess of Vrikshians were proved with the 100 percentage success in the Class – 10 CBSE examinations. It was a moment of great pride when Class – 10 students secured 78% as the class average and 96% as the top mark.

The Vriksha Family

We started our Academic year on the 11th of June with 562 students and an additional of 29 kids joined us for Vijayadasami. We are fortunate to have a cadre of 58 well trained, experienced, dedicated teachers capable of fulfilling the demands of the growing modern generation. Apart from various core subject teachers, we have an enthusiastic team of co-curricular activity teachers for physical education, music, classical and western dance, Zumba, yoga, karate, cricket, badminton, athletics, chess and swimming. They help in exploring the talents and skills of our promising students. We also have 8 staff in clerical, 68 supportive staff which includes security personnel, bus drivers, bus assistants, helpers, attenders & caterers.

Scholastic Program

The school follows the Uniform system of Assessment devised by CBSE for Grades 6 and above. The academic session is divided into three terms. Each and every month had a unit test and Term 1 includes Periodic Test 1, Term 2 includes Periodic Test 2 and Term 3 includes Periodic Test 3.

The unit tests include activities like role play, group discussion, debate, seminar, listening and speaking skills, project work and pen paper test. It includes a range of formal and informal assessment

procedures conducted by teachers during the learning process in order to modify teaching and learning activities to improve student attainment.

The prime focus of Periodic test 1, 2 & 3 is based on the written skills.

There is no formal examination for classes 1 to 5. The new system of unit test has been introduced. The evaluation is done simultaneously while teaching or separately.

The Kindergarten wing operates efficiently with a framework developed by our teachers. We have designed a high quality program which focuses on the importance of play and learn in early childhood. We provide a platform that enhances the learning outcomes and explore the individual talents for all children in a varied and supportive environment.

Montessori

Montessori method of education is a child centered educational approach. It develops the child and their whole personality through a system that is focused on spontaneous use of the human intellect. There were lot of Montessori activity throughout this academic session.

Parents Teachers Meeting

Parents - Teachers meeting are held monthly once and after every assessment right from Kindergarten to Grade 10 to discuss about the performance of each individual child. 9 Parents Teacher Meeting has been organized last year.

Professional Enrichment Programme

A series of workshops were conducted for the teachers to be well equipped with the tools and techniques of the Central Board.

“Education, like the mass of our age’s invention, is after all, only a tool; everything depends upon the workman who uses it.” The workman in the field of education is a teacher.

- 14th May – welcoming the new facilitators.
- Intensive Training – The teachers underwent rigorous training on the 15th of May for Interactive Classroom, Math Lab and IT Wizard by NIIT.
- Building the team for 2018-19 – A Team building event was organized on the 16th of May in our school campus. Dr. David Winster from Salem hosted the event.
- On 23rd May, teachers had a special training on Psychologic – Mr. Helix from special school, Salem trained our teachers how to deal with stress and 7 stages of childhood.
- Our Administrative staff underwent a training process to keep themselves updated with management software.
- Our primary teachers attended “Innovative Pedagogy and Activity Based Teaching “program which was organized on the 8th of July by KSSC at Sagar International School, Perundurai.
- Our Math teachers attended Math Enrichment Program, held at Navodhaya Academy, Namakkal on the 8th of July
- On the same day teachers from dept. of science attended a workshop on CBSE Science pattern at Vellalar Vidyalaya Erode.
- Teachers from KG and Primary attended ”Capacity Building Programme on Classroom Management “ for teachers, Counselors, Special Educators at Sri Sankara Vidyalayaa , Karur.
- On August 21st our teachers attended the child grooming session by Ms. Sheetal Gandhi which was organized in our school campus.
- I have attended the induction program for CBSE principals on 30th and 31st August at Chinmaya Vidhyalaya, Chennai organized by the CBSE, Centre of Excellence, Chennai.

- On December 21, Our teachers from IT Wing underwent Robotics equipment training by Next education.

The British Council International School Award (ISA)

We are very excited to inform you all that our school is in the process of getting the British Council International School Award (ISA). It is a benchmarking scheme that accredits schools as having an outstanding level of support for nurturing global citizenship in young people and enriching teaching and learning.

Our school will be collaborating with overseas partner schools and relevant institutions which support their international activity and invite prominent guest speakers and international visitors to our school. All activities are evaluated differently – through quizzes, debates, short plays, elocution, educational games, exhibitions, cultural event etc.

We have already completed the initial – process of getting the action plan approval and we are very happy to say that our all the action plans are approved in one shot. The program will start from the month of June and will end up by February’ 2020. All the students’ right from Kindergarten will be involved in this process.

The countries with which we are going to collaborate are Australia, Canada, Mexico, Jordan and all Asian countries.

House System

The school is divided into 3 houses. The Lions, the Hawks and the Dolphins. Each house is led by the respective captains and vice captains, under the guidance of house masters and house mothers. The 3 houses compete with each other in all fields like Academics, Sports, Cultural and Discipline. On the 3rd June the house masters and house mothers were selected. Mr. Gowrishankar and Ms. Ramya were in- charge of the lion

house. Ms. Nivegeetha & Ms. Vinitha for the Hawk house. Ms. Neema Jacob & Ms. Renuka for the Dolphin House

Student Council

The student council is an elected body comprising of student representatives. The election procedures and process followed is similar to that of the general elections. The school council elections were held on the 30th of June and results were announced on the same day. Master. Sabarigireeson was elected as the School Pupil Leader. Master. Siddesh and Master. Nikhil were elected as captain and vice-captain of lion house. Master Sabarigireeson and Ms. Sabarishree were elected as captain and vice-captain of hawk house and Master Rathnavel Balaji and Ms. Harini were elected as captain and vice-captain of dolphin house.

Clubs

Being at school is not just about what you do between 9 am and 4 pm, it is also about acquiring skills to adapt to the society. The school offers various clubs such as Avid- fitness, Fashio Designing, Ms. Ramya, Orange-Banana –Culinary club led by Ms.Vinitha, Lime-Light – Dramatics and Media club led by Mr. Gowthaman and Tinkering-Robotics and Electronics led by Ms. Nivegeetha. The clubs have an important role in enriching the curriculum.

Vriksha Learning Centre

“Never stop learning, because life never stops teaching”. VLC is a platform for parents and public to explore various fields to develop their skills. VLC classes happen on Saturdays. Homemade Ice Creams, Pot Painting & Origami, Basket Making, Pencil Sketching, Pallu Knot Design, Crochet Knit Coin Purse, Wall Hanging, Beat the Summer Heat are some of the classes that took place from June . Enthusiastic parents and

visitors benefitted from these classes. We look forward to introduce such useful programs in future.

State Level Tournaments

On the 4th and 5th of August our school hosted two state level tournaments simultaneously. The 4th State Level Chess Tournament and the 2nd State Level Swimming Tournament.

Our Chairman Mr.Rajasekaran declared the chess tournament open. Around 620 students from across various districts of Tamilnadu participated in the event. Members and officials from NDCF were present on both the days. Top eight players (category-wise) boys and girls were awarded with Watches. The subsequent 9 places were awarded with trophies and certificates. All participants were presented with participation certificates.

The 2nd State Level Swimming Championship was inaugurated by Mrs. Pon Saraswathi, MLA of Tiruchengode on the 5th August. 780 students from various districts participated in six categories. A total of 78 events like Freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly stroke and 3 types of relays took place. Winners were awarded with medals and certificates and top individual swimmers from each category were awarded with trophies. TDSA Tirunelveli won the Overall championship. All the participants were presented with certificates.

From Vriksha 89 students participated in the chess tournament. 43 students participated in the swimming tournament and won Silver Medal in girls relay.

Unite for Change

An initiative to teach our children to be socially responsible citizens. Going by the reality we face every day, we joined hands with our children to create social awareness in the society.

Be the change you wish to see in the world – said Mahatma Gandhi.

Pudiya Talamuria Mandram

In association with Pudiya talamuria News channel our school has started a new forum titled ‘Pudiya Talamuria Mandram’ on 25th August 2018. This forum works towards creating awareness among the students, parents and common public about the various social issues prevailing in the current world. Mr. Ilayaraja, Chief of Pudiya Talaimurai news channel and Tiruchengode Fire Inspector Mr. Siva Kumar were the chief guest. Our students from Grade Nine Harini, Shanmugavadivu and Hariharipriyan took the oath for the post of President, Secretary and treasurer respectively.

Cauvery news channels – ‘Namma ooru Vingnaani’

Our school had the privilege to organize and host the Cauvery news channels district-level Science Expo ‘Namma ooru Vingnaani’ 2018 editions. The exhibition was held on 31st August 2018. The Tamilnadu winners of this event will travel to Yuri Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center – Moscow, Russia for 3 days/ 4 nights. 300 plus Students from around 50 schools from Namakkal district participated showcasing their different innovative Science projects. We are very proud to share that our student Sabarigeerison of Grade 10 won the First prize in the CBSE schools senior category and he is going to take part in the national level Science Expo to be held in near future.

Vijayadasami

Vidhya means “knowledge” arambham means “beginning”, vidhyarambham was held on 19th of October to initiate kids into learning. On this auspicious day 18 blooming buds joined our vriksha family.

Sports Day

On the 18th August we had our vibrant and competitive 7th Junior Sports in the RIO volley ball court. Students interacted and experienced many events like March past, Oath taking, Lighting the torch, Flag Hoisting, Mass drill and games for students and fun games for parents.

We had the 7th Annual Sports Meet on the 28th July, Mr. M. Shanmugam, DSP, Tiruchengode graced the occasion. Students compete to display their strength, Physical prowess and fitness. Sports inculcate team spirit, success, failures and prepare them for life ahead. Dolphin house took the overall championship trophy.

Award's Day

Awards day for the year 2018-19 was celebrated on 31st of March. Ms. Deepa Athreya, Founder & CEO of School of Success was the Chief Guest. Students were awarded with many Prizes, Medals and shields in recognition of their achievements throughout the year.

Art of Parenting

Art of Parenting, Tiruchengode edition was organized at our school on 31st of March where various eminent personalities like Dr. Velumani, Founder & CEO, Thyrocare, Parveen Sultana, inspirational speakers addressed the gathering on art of parenting.

Government Teacher's Training

Our school got an opportunity to host the staff development program of government school teachers organized by CEO, Namakkal. It was a 4 days program and around 250 government teachers from in and around Tiruchengode belt participated in SDP.

Parent Orientation

It was a great pleasure in organizing the parent orientation programme for our current school parents where we got an opportunity to

explain about the next academic year plan and also came across a lot of valuable feedbacks and suggestions from the parents. We hope these kind of programs will continue in the near future also.

Literary and Cultural Competitions

Various competitions were conducted in Vriksha Arena, Cultural Fest and Utsav to foster the literary and cultural talents of the students. Vriksha Arena focuses on the co-curricular talents of the students. These competitions are held at periodical intervals throughout the year.

Kids Fest

Be it curricular or co-curricular we love to have competition among our peers. Kids fest was conducted from 19th to 22nd of November for our Juniors. Kids participated in various competitions recitation, storytelling, thirukkural, composition reciting and slogam.

Cultural fest was held on the 14th and 15th of November. The 3 houses competed against each other in dance, dramatics, Adzap, Mime, Open Talent Show.

Utsav competitions are held every year in the month of January. This year it was held on the 24th and 25th of January. Utsav competitions are focused towards enriching academic excellence among students. They compete with each other in all subjects either in written, oral or quiz. Be it Math, English, Science, IT, Social and General Knowledge.

Word building, Brain Wave, Muthurani, Palamozhi, Picture perfect, Declamation, Rocketry Challenge, Word 360, Kural solven, Naan bharathi, Home Town etc., are some of them to name.

This year we had conducted Parents Utsav on the 26th of January. Enthusiastic parents participated in competitions such as cooking, Rangoli, Quiz, Open challenge, Ramp Walk, Singing etc..

Celebrations and Functions

Our school celebrates some important days to make the students learn about our culture, heritage, and to make children aware of the pressing issues concerning the environment and the world. Some of the celebrations are

Investiture Ceremony, World Yoga Day, Ramzan, Independence Day, Children's day, Teachers Day ,Onam., Vinayagar Chaturthi, Diwali, Christmas, New year , Pongal etc.

Junior Fashion

The most awaited event of the calendar year Vriksha junior fashion 17th of November. The stage was turned into a ramp walk setting. parents to pride in watching their children walk down the ramp dressed to the prescribed themes, Level – I make up and accessories, Level- II & III retro(60's, 70's, 80's). The event was great success and the characters captured the imagination of the audience.

Family Day

Vriksha Junior celebrated family day with different activities. We started off with art activity in which the family members had to make a picture of a 'Family Tree' by palm painting followed by getting blessings from their grandparents. Parents enjoyed watching their kids performance from the morning assembly followed by montessori, life skill, phonics and tamil. Fun games were organized for family members. A Family photo was given to parents which would remain as a memory of this event.

Field Trips

Field trips give children a welcome break from routine classes. They provide an opportunity for students to encounter and explore the outside world. Students visited Post Office, Omega Biscuit Factory, Vivekananda

Medical Care Hospital, Jaisurya Departmental Stores, Murugalaya Silk House, Hat sun Agro Industries.

Camp Fire Night and Excursion

Camp Fire nights are the most loved activity of every student. They get to stay overnight with their friends at school. The night is filled with games, Songs and dances. KG had their camp fire on the 28th of September and Grade 3, 4 & 5 on the 10th of November.

School excursions are an important and effective means of motivating students and engaging them in active learning experiences. In the same way, we had an excursion for Grade 5 and above to various places in Bangalore and Mysore for about 3 days.

We had 55 students along with 8 teachers for the trip.

The first day students were taken to Wonderla.

The second day in Bangalore, students were taken to “Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum”, where it houses various scientific experiments and engines. And “The Heritage centre and Aerospace museum” which showcases the growth of the Indian aviation industry and this is India’s first aerospace museum; it offers a glimpse of India’s aeronautical history to the children.

The Excursion came to an end by visiting the heritage of Chamundi Hills, Animals in Mysore Zoo and The Mysore Palace.

Progress Achieved this year in various spheres

International Olympiads

International GK Olympiad

56 students participated in IGKO. Of which students won 7 gold medals, 1 silver & 1 Bronze in school level. 1 gold medal with distinction and 2 bronze medal zonal toppers.

International English Olympiad

81 students Participated in IEO. Of which students won 6 gold medals, 5 silver & 5 Bronze in school level. 7 gold medals with distinction and 3 of them have qualified for the 2nd level

National Science Olympiad

110 students participated in NSO. Of which students won 11 gold medals, 4 silver & 4 bronze and 3 of them have qualified for the 2nd level.

International Math Olympiad

144 students participated in IMO. Of which students won 11 gold medals, 6 silver and 6 bronze in school level. 2 International gold medals, 3 gold medals with distinction and 1 zonal gold medal topper. 4 members have qualified for the 2nd level.

National Cyber Olympiad

33 students participated in NCO. The results are yet to be known

Cultural and Sports Achievement

At Vriksha, sports and games are a way of life. Year after year, our students have been achieving significant successes at various district, state and national level competitions. The 2018-19 Academic Year has seen some really great achievements.

R. Nikhil of Grade 10 had secured 4th place in the CBSE South Zone Skating competition held at Yak Public School, Pune.

He has also secured 6 gold medals, 3 bronze medal, one silver medal and individual championship in the District Championship competition held at Namakkal, RSFI state championship at Chennai and open State Tournament held at Trichi. Organized by Roller Skating Federation of India.

Madhuravarshini of Grade 7 had won gold medal in CBSE South Zone held at Pooja International School, Andhra Pradesh.

She has secured 4th rank in the CBSE National match held at The Great India School, Chhattisgarh, Raipur.

She has secured 63rd rank in Sub – Junior International match held at Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

Sangamithra of Grade 6 had won gold medal in National Championship organized by Rural Games Organization of India held at Jammu.

The 6th KSSC cultural Fiesta was organized by Nandha Central School, our students participated in Bharatham, Street Play, Orchestra, Extempore in various categories and won best performance school award in U-10 Orchestra.

10th KSSC Swimming Meet was inaugurated by Mr. Ram Subramaniam, The President of KSSC and the senior principal of Bharani Vidhyalaya, Karur on 2nd December organized at our campus. More than 250 participants from various schools of Kongu Sahadaya participated in 6 categories with the total of 48 events. Our students participated and won 3 gold medals, 6 silver medals and 12 bronze medals.

At the national level, Vrikshians participated in Archery, and Skating winning 2 gold medals and 1 silver medal.

At the state level Vrikshians participated in Archery, Swimming, Chess and Shuttle badminton tournaments - bringing back 17 gold medals, 10 silver medals and 14 bronze medals.

With a total of 86 medals, it was rain of medals for Vriksha at the District level. Vrikshians participated in archery, swimming, chess, shuttle badminton, a marathon and a roller skating, yoga, silambam championship with 25 gold medals, 20 silver medals and 41 Bronze medals.

Vrikshians participated in full strength at the KSSC Annual Sports Meet – the events included swimming, chess and athletics, winning 6 gold, 7 silver and 5 bronze medals.

The medal tally goes like this with 50 gold medals, 38 silver medals and 60 bronze medals with a Grand total of 148 medals.

All our school activities and events are published in our Facebook Page .

Pulwama

As fond memories flow by, Pulwana terror attack was one of the deadliest terror attacks in Kashmir resulting in the death of 40 jawans. Our school management, staff & students paid homage to brave hearts by lighting candles and keeping two minutes silence.

Before I conclude my report, I bow my head in reverence to the Almighty God for his blessings he has showered upon this institution.

I take this opportunity to express my deep sense of gratitude to our management for the steady ongoing support. I also extend my heartfelt thanks to all the parents for their continuous support and co-operation that enable us to move forward with confidence.

I will be failing in my duty, if I do not thank our wonderful team of teachers for their dedicated service which is the key to all our success and achievements.

Let me conclude this report by entrusting our school in the divine hands of the almighty for the journey ahead.

Thank You