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1. Celebration – Kerala Piravi



It was a very colourful start to the 60th celebration of Kerala Piravi. Our Std 12th Students came dressed in traditional Kerala attire. Malayalam Department conducted various competition to commemorate the occasion. Inter-house competitions marked the day. In the Primary section ‘Akshara Spudath’ Malsaram was held and for the Secondary and Higher Section, it was ‘Vartha Vayana’ Malsaram. All competition were held with the view to promote and emphasise the richness and importance of our mother tongue.

2. VIGILANCE WEEK COMMEMARATION



Vigilance Week was observed in association with Indian Railways. An elocution competition was organised, the topics being “Role of public in curbing corruption” and “Honesty and Integrity are the keys to success”. Mr. V C Sudeesh, IRTS, Sr.Division Commercial Manager, Southern Railways graced the occasion.

3. A VISIT TO THE NATIONAL SOIL MUSEUM

Social Studies Department conducted a study tour to the National Soil Museum, Parattokonomam for the Students of Std IX. Various soil types and their characteristics were explained to the students. The students were also shown a documentary depicting the various soil formation locations and what uses they can be put to.

4. HONOURING A VISIONARY



Saraswathi Vidyalaya was privileged to honour Dr. Babu Paul, former IAS on the completion of 70 years as a Public Speaker. In a ceremony held in the school auditorium Mrs. Shylaja O R, Principal, Saraswathi Vidyalaya, welcomed the gathering. Mr Rajamohan, Chairman, Saraswathi Vidyalaya, delivered the introductory speech. The guest of honour was Mrs Vasanti Menon. The occasion was graced by Mr. Hari Shankar, Ward Councillor, Vattiyookavu. Dr. Babu Paul was honoured



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with a memento and Ponnada. In a motivating speech Dr. Babu Paul, emphasised the need to be God fearing, to be aware and to act with a conscience. In his speech he touched on most aspects that could be a guiding force as we move along in our path of life. Mrs. Vasanti Menon also addressed our students and was honoured with a ponnada by Mr. Rajamohan C, Chairman, Saraswathi Vidyalaya. Vote of thanks was delivered by Mrs. Devi Mohan, Secretary, Saraswathi Vidyalaya.

5. HELPING HANDS



NSS volunteers paid a visit to the Mahila Mandiram, Poojapura. After interacting with the inmates of the home, they distributed kits containing basic necessities for health and hygiene.

6. EDUCATION DAY REPORT

In keeping with the directives of the CBSE National Education Day was observed on 11th November. The observance of National Educational Day is in commemoration of the birth anniversary of Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad for his contribution to the cause of education in India.

“Importance of literacy and education for the well-being of society” was the topic for the seminar organised for high school students.

Students participated enthusiastically and made the seminar interesting with power point presentation, charts and videos. It was a very fruitful session with the audience also participating by putting forth relevant questions.



An elocution contest was also held for the high school students. “The role of education in one’s life” was the topic. Students were able to bring about the various facts of education and co-relate it with their lives. It was a very enriching experience to see students drawing upon their personal lives and bringing out how education has changed and moulded their lives for the better. Slogan writing competition was also organised alongside.



Education being the key word brought out an array of ideas from our students. In all the slogans it was seen that education will always provide the impetus and drive for young minds to become not only scholars but also good human beings and citizens.

Life skills are abilities for adaptive and positive behaviour that enables human being to



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deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life. These help to promote mental well-being and competence in young people as they face the realities of life. “Discover yourself and exercise in self-awareness” was the activity given to them. The students expressed their feelings and position on various topics like dealing with stress, growing up doubts, conflicts etc and how they coped with it.



To end the day, a rally was organised where NSS volunteers carrying placards emphasizing the role of education walked a distance from our school. This awareness walk was held as an effort towards our social outreach programme.

7. MANAS 2K16

Psychology Department conducted an exhibition ‘Manas 2K16’. This was done to bring to focus Psychology and its uses in our daily lives. The students through charts, PowerPoint presentation and live demonstrations tried to present the possibilities and role Psychology plays in bettering our minds and hence the society.



8. CHILDREN'S DAY



To celebrate Children's Day a special exercise in creating responsibility was conducted. Students of Std XII, took over the mantle of teachers for a day and taught the students. This was done to guide our students who while in their final year of their school life would now go out into the world and shoulder and don newer roles.

9. SEMINAR ON DRUG ABUSE



In association with Kerala Police Anti-Narcotics Cell a seminar was conducted for



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Classes X, XI, and XII. In the interaction with the students, Mr. Shiva Vikraman, IPS made the students aware of how there were people out to trap people into their web of drugs. The students should always be vigilant against such situations because this path would otherwise lead to their ruin. In his interaction, Mr. Samuel, Sub-Inspector of Police, through power-point presentation and short film very eloquently warned the students against the perils of drugs and what consequences befell them if they went along that path. Mr. Samuel, answered various queries of the students and tried his best to arrange the fears and apprehensions of the students.

10. SARASWATHI VIDYALAYA EMERGE CHAMPIONS YET AGAIN IN THE STATE KALOTSAV:



At the State level Kalotsav held in Adimali, Idukki, Saraswathi Vidyalaya emerged CHAMPIONS amongst the schools in Trivandrum District for the second time in a row. From among the 1500 CBSE schools in Kerala, 850 schools which were eligible competed in the competition.

Saraswathi Vidyalaya bagged 286 points to become the overall champions in the district and achieve an impressive seventh position in the State. The school also has the distinction of being the only school from Trivandrum District to be in top 10 positions.

11. KUTTY CRICKET LEAGUE:

In the cricket competition held by FM Radio, Saraswathi Vidyalaya emerged champions. We were also the top scorers, bagging both the Man of the Series and Promising Player Awards.

12. NATIONAL MILK DAY:

A Quiz competition was held at Milma Dairy to mark National Milk Day. Our students participated in this competition.

13. CONSTITUTION DAY CELEBRATIONS:

November 26th is celebrated as the Constitution Day. On this occasion of Constitution Day, Saraswathi Vidyalaya conducted various activities such as Essay Writing Competition, Elocution Competition, a Quiz Competition and the mass reading of the Preamble to the Constitution of India. The fundamental duties were also read out to the students. Essay Writing Competition was held for classes 8-10, Elocution was held for classes 11th and 12th and Quiz Competition for the Primary Sections (Std 6th to 8th) and the High School Section (Std 9th to 12th).



Children participated with lot of enthusiasm and vigour. The activities helped to spread



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awareness about the Constitution of India. The topic for Elocution competition was “Right to Equality” is an important fundamental right. In the present scenario is it practised in its true spirit?”

There were nine participants. The children spoke about the values of the Constitution of India, its formation, its various schedules and how it is put into practice. Around 171 students participated in the preliminary rounds of quiz competition and fourteen students were selected for the final round and three winners were selected from each section.



A debate on the topic “Our Fundamental Rights in Part IV of the Constitution has guaranteed the ‘Right to Equality’ to its citizens irrespective of Caste, Creed or Sex. But in an effort of ‘affirmative action’ caste based reservation is provided. In today’s scenario – 69 years after independence is it relevant? The XI Std spoke against the motion and Std XII students spoke for the motion. In a keenly contested debate, various eloquent and interesting exchanges took place. In many areas where the students disagreed, it was seen that our youth are definitely minds with enthusiastic ideas and propositions.