

Pinnacle



Monthly e-news letter

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2022



Decennial Year
Annual Sports Day



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CELEBRATIONS

Sports teaches you character, it teaches you to play by rules, it teaches you to know what it feels like to win and lose-it teaches you about life - **Billie Jean King**

Edify School Tirupati celebrated its Annual Sports Day- 2022, on a sunny winter day of 24th December amidst great fun, vigor and companionship. The most anticipated event of the year commenced with the arrival of the highly distinguished Dr B. Swathi, Enforcement Superintendent Special Enforcement Bureau, Tirupati, who graced the dais as the Chief Guest for the decennial year Annual Sports Day, accompanied by Sri P. Praneeth, Director Sir, Principal and Academic Head. The Chief Guest addressed the Edifiers and Educators, awarded the medals and the certificates to the winners of the various sports events. She emphasized the importance of sports in a child's life. She was delighted to see children participating in almost all the Sports Events. She also applauded the teachers and parents for encouraging their children in participation. There was band display and March Past apart from several sports events.

Sri. P.Praneeth Sir, the Director, highlighted on the balancing sports & syllabus, books, balls & boundaries, pens positions places and performance in ground. The finalists of all the events participated in the finals, where the winners and achievers were honoured with medals and certificates during the closing ceremony.



ACHIEVEMENTS

The proud 1st batch of NCC cadets of our school received their 'A' certificate from 29(A)Bn Tirupati
Parade is Our Paradise;

We Have Fire In Our Eyes That Rage In Our Heart!

Sacrifices Are Nothing To Us When We Serve Our Purpose;

Those 3 Words Made Us

"National Cadet Corps"

Two years ago, Edify students decided to subject themselves to a yardstick of discipline and patriotism called 'NCC', National Cadet Corps.

Today they are the proud 1st batch of NCC Cadets of our school to receive their 'A' certificate from 29(A)Bn Tirupati. We salute their commitment and courage.

Uniform for them is a matter of pride, and medals on them is their pride...

"NCC is the model of youth organisation and it will lead the best way of life".

Cadet Jayathri Thoppi Reddygari of Grade- IX Stalwarts of 29(A) BN secured 2nd place in a written test conducted by 30(A) BN from 12 Dec-2022 to 19-Dec-2022 camp at Kadapa. We are proud of you Cadet!



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GUEST LECTURES

"The government you elect is the government you deserve". -Thomas Jefferson

Edifiers of grade VII attended a seminar on the 'Role of the State Government in distribution of Resources and Understanding Media,' conducted by their classmates under the guidance of subject teacher. The student presenters used placards, charts, medical/surgical instruments and medicines to demonstrate and explain the types of health facilities from the state government. Children also explained 'Media and its role in the contemporary world'. Children were interactive during question and answer session.



CLUBS

Community Service Club

Small acts, when multiplied by millions of people, can transform the world.

Edifiers of grade IX and X took up initiative to do service. The students donated sports goods and IT lab equipments to Zilla Parishad School, Mangalam, Tirupati. The Heads, Staff and Students of the ZP School, Mangalam praised the initiatives of Edifiers and welcomed this unique gesture.

During Edifiers visit to the ZP School, they got an opportunity to interact with the students. There was a good exchange of information between them.



Cuisine Club

During the first week, Edifiers of Cuisine Club from Primary and Secondary grades participated in Club activity under the guidance of their Club in charges.

Primary grades Club members prepared delicious corn chat using boiled sweet corn, pepper powder, salt, lemon juice and coriander leaves. Secondary grade Club members prepared Sesame Laddu using sesame seeds, jaggery powder, honey, ghee, elachi and dry grapes

Primary grade Edifiers of Cuisine Club participated in second week's Club activity under the guidance of their Club incharges. Children prepared choco bread sandwich using bread slices, hershychoco syrup, dry nuts and sprinkles. The result, a delicious choco bread sandwich to relish their tastebuds.

Secondary grade Club members utilised the Liberty given to them by their Club incharges. Club members were told to prepare any dish of their choice and test their creative skills.

Primary grades Edifiers of Cuisine Club prepared a delicious peanut chat in third week's Club activity using Salted Peanuts, Onion, Tomatoes, Carrot, Chat masala, Coriander leaves and Lemon juice.

Secondary grades Edifiers prepared a delicious mixture of rice flakes using Roasted rice flakes, Salt and Roasted groundnuts.

During the last week, Secondary grade Edifiers of Cuisine Club prepared a delicious sprouts salad under the guidance of their Club in charge.

Club members used sprouted seeds, pepper powder, Lemon, salt, garam masala and grated carrot to relish a mouth-watering and healthy sprout salad.

The primary graders of Cuisine Club used fruits, vegetable, bread and wafers to decorate the Christmas theme plate presentation.





Environment Club

Primary grades Club members prepared a simple paper pouch using old newspaper and waste paper while the secondary grades Club members checked their understanding and awareness on facts, concepts, dates and acts related to the environment through a quiz during the first week.

Primary grades Edifiers of Environment Club participated in their second week's club activity under the guidance of their Club incharges. Club Members learnt about natural resources using clay cart.

Secondary grades Edifiers of Environment Club spoke on benefits of compost and how to prepare it. Club members realised the disadvantages of using chemical fertilizers and the benefits of compost.

Primary grades Edifiers of the Environmental Club delivered speeches on the topic 'Save Soil and Reduce Soil Pollution' as a part of third week's Club activity. Children used flash cards and posters in their speech through which they spread awareness on the benefits of soil and methods to conserve it.

Secondary grade Edifiers prepared posters on Millets, their health benefits and production, to explain the benefits of consuming millets, advantages of cultivating them than other food grains.

During the last week, Primary grade Edifiers of the Environmental Club participated in fireless cooking in this week's Club activity. Children did the Christmas theme plating by using fruits and vegetable, paper plates, bread and peanut butter. Through this Club activity children learnt conservation of energy in a creative way. Secondary grades Edifiers of this Club visited the roof top of the school building to see the solar panels installed and learnt about non-conventional sources of energy.



Media Club

Secondary grade Edifiers of Media Club participated in dumb charades during first week's Club activities conducted by Club in charges.

It's a game of fun and entertainment and a great way to improve communication skills, inference skills and teamwork. This activity helped the Club members in rapid improvement of flow of their thought process in English, read people's actions and improvement in their non-verbal communication.

Edifiers of Media Club participated in second week's Club activity under the guidance of their Club incharges. Club Members played Word Chain Game, also known as grab on behind, last and first, Alpha and Omega and the name game. Members came up with words or framed new words using the last letter of the previous word. This activity strengthened the phonic awareness of members.

Edifiers of Media club played 'Chinese Whispers' game during the third week in their Club activity. This game was intended to teach young children voice modulation, attentive listening and controlled speaking.

Secondary grade Edifiers of Media Club attended last week's Club activity on interview skills.

Children witnessed a dummy or demo of an effective and ineffective interview and learnt the art or tips of conducting and attending an interview. This club activity helped them to express their feelings, shape their attitude, develop courage and confidence.



Creative Club

The Primary and Secondary grades Edifiers of Creative Club exhibited their creative skills during first week's Club activity by making a paper pencil holder. The end product of this activity is an useful tool to organise stationery.

During the second week Children learnt wobbling craft, prepared a variety of craft items using various stationery. Secondary grades Edifiers of the Club prepared a paper flower bouquet that helped them in building their sensory, cognitive and emotional skills. Club members designed posters with shading by using A4 sheets, oil pastels and crayons. This activity was intended to spread awareness on National Energy Conservation Day celebrated on 14th December every year, through various coloring techniques.

Primary grades of Creative Club students participated in preparing Christmas crafts for the upcoming Christmas festival. Children prepared Stars, Bells, Snowflakes and Christmas tree using a variety of stationery. This activity developed fine motor skills, hand eye coordination and the art of planning and preparation.

With the New Year bells ringing in just round the corner and existing year fading away, the primary grades Club members of Creative Club prepared greeting cards during last week's Club activity.

Club members used variety of stationery to design card of their choice. This activity was intended to ensure children comprehend that a card can express their love, emotions and admiration.



Literary Club

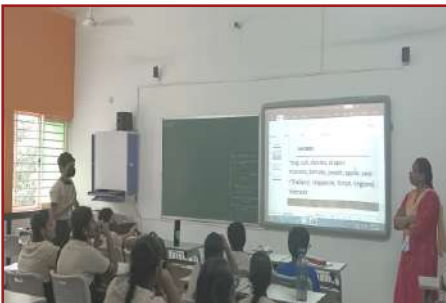
Primary grades members of Literary Club participated in 'Spell Bee and Sight words' during their Club activity. Sight words charts were used as aids. This activity helped the students to read the words faster and fluently. They learnt to spell the word with the way they sound. The Spell Bee activity results in gaining competencies over vocabulary and improves their reading and writing skills.

Club members played an interesting word ladder game conducted by Club incharges. It's a fun way of learning vocabulary where all participants are engaged. It challenged the children to come up with more relevant words for the given topic and children were excited to reach the top of the ladder.

Secondary grade Club members participated in Odd One Out game to improve their vocabulary skills that helped them to think logically and differentiate between words.

The Primary graders of Literary Club participated in poetry recitation competition during this week's Club activity. Children were assigned with the task of reciting a poem of their choice. This helped the participants to express their thoughts, feelings, ideas and perspectives by using rhymes, metre and line breaks.

Secondary graders of Literary Club participated in listening activity which helped them improve their attentive listening, comprehension, question framing and critical thinking skills.



FIELD TRIPS

Field trip to Divyaramam- Grade III

What is a fish without a river? What is a bird without a tree to nest in? What is an Endangered Species Act without any enforcement mechanism to ensure their habitat is protected? It is nothing.

Grade-III educators planned a field trip to a beautiful place in Tirupati where the students got a great opportunity to observe the flora and the fauna around them. The learners got to see habitat of some birds and animals too which added to the learning outcome. Children also learnt valuable life lessons on conservation, preservation and protection of flora and fauna.



Field Trip to different places of worship- Grade I

I love you when you bow in your mosque, kneel in your temple, pray in your church. For you and I are sons of one religion, and it is the spirit. - Khalil Gibran

Edifiers of Grade-I visited the places of worship such as, a temple, a church and a mosque along with their teachers. This field trip was intended to ensure children learn about the names of different places of worship and their religions and know details of the routines. They observed the architecture of the different worship places, the way of worshipping and symbols of different religions. They also learnt to accept and appreciate the unique beliefs of different religions. The children had a wonderful day and believed that all regions are equal and we should love all forms of God.



Field trip to places of worship- Grade IV

"Worship everything as God Every form is His temple. All else is delusion."

SWAMI VIVEKANANDA

Grade IV edifiers visited places of worship to gain more knowledge about different religions, their rituals, practices and daily routines. Respect and religious tolerance are the values targeted through this field trip.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

You can live without Mathematics. But you can't enjoy life without Mathematics.

As it is the only place where you can create and solve problems by yourself.

On account of National Mathematics Day celebrated every year on 22- December, in India to commemorate the birth anniversary, recognise and celebrate the works of Indian Mathematical genius Sri Srinivasa Ramanujan, 'Mathematics Week' was organised from 19-12-22 to 22-12-22.

New Year special assembly

What feels like the end is often beginning

Smiles and cheers, hooting sounds and enthusiasm The children were super excited to welcome the New Year.

The occasion was graced by Principal and Academic Head. The Heads, Educators and Student Council Edifiers cut a cake symbolic of bidding farewell to 2022 and welcoming 2023.



IM BASED ASSEMBLY PRESENTATIONS

Types of Conjunctions

Multiplication and its properties

Concept of Basic Multiplication- PIC MISSING



Multiplication and its properties



Types of Conjunctions

ACTIVITIES

"Every brilliant experiment, like every great work of art starts with an act of imagination."- Jonah Lehrer -PICS MISSING

Grade VI, VII and VIII students completed their STEM Challenge 8 in the month of December and explored the concept and application of Science.

The following challenges are completed by our students

Grade VI – Shoe Traction: that gives grip to the shoes

Grade VII – Bungee Cord Drop: Shows the elasticity of different objects

Grade VIII – Sound Proof Box: Reduces the sound produced from a box

Our upcoming engineers of Grades VI to VIII accepted the challenges and exhibited amazing structures under the guidance of the STEM Coordinator Mr.Harikrishna.

The following were the STEM challenges during the third week of December:

Grade VI – Tallest Skyscraper

Grade VII – Constructing supporting bridge

Grade VIII – Siphon, which pumps water upward with air pressure



Activity on Women, Caste and Reforms

"Men, their rights,
and nothing more;

Women, their rights,
and nothing less". - Susan B Antony

Edifiers of grade VIII Pioneers, Achievers and Innovators conducted a class activity on Women, Caste and Reforms through a role play. Through this role play children depicted social practices during 19th century such as discrimination on the basis of caste, untouchability, superstitions and the custom of 'Sati', the spread of Western education and freedom & equality for women by reformers.



Seminar on 'Democratic government'

"Democracy cannot succeed unless those who express their choice are prepared to choose wisely. The real safeguard of democracy, therefore is education". - Franklin D Roosevelt

Edifiers of grade VI attended a seminar on 'Democratic government', conducted by their classmates under the guidance of the subject teacher.

The student presenters used placards and charts to explain the concept to the audience. This seminar helped the students to comprehend the key elements of democratic government by demonstrating, vote casting and expressing their views.



“To abuse and insult, is inconsistent with reason and justice” - Ram Mohan Roy

Edifiers of Grade-VIII attended a seminar on 'Colonial Education and It's Impact' and 'Women Caste and Reform'. The presenters used placards and charts during their presentation and explained the topic. Students comprehended the key elements of Colonial Education and it's impact by demonstrating and expressing their views about status of Women and Reform Movements in 18th century.



Mathematics exhibition on the occasion of National Mathematics Day

On the occasion of National Mathematics Day which falls on 22nd December every year, an exhibition was organised for the students of Secondary School. The budding Mathematicians were engaged in a plethora of role plays, assembly presentations, exciting games, puzzles, foldables, models (working and still) art integrated activities that further enhanced the spirit of curiosity and discovery in them. Mathematics exhibition not only improve gifted children but also help in bringing desired changes in the students who generally do not like the subject.

For those who lost interest in Mathematics due to its abstract nature, Mathematics exhibition can change their attitude after understanding the concepts in a concrete manner. While working on various models, students came very close to their teachers which helped them to participate in the learning process more effectively. Above all, there was a great amount of appreciation from the Principal, Academic Head and Educators who saw these models, which in turn inspired students to think and work with more enthusiasm and self-confidence.

The week long activities strengthened the creativity and logical reasoning of the students and nurtured their love for the subject. Students were provided with opportunities to hone their critical thinking skills while applying their conceptual knowledge and acquired skills for an enriching experience.



GROUP ACTIVITIES

Hopscotch is the best way to express your imagination!

So you can make real games on here. This is way better than Minecraft. On minecraft you're just digging. Dig, Dig, Dig. This is a lot more interesting than Minecraft. Edifiers of grade I & II were happy to play Hopscotch along with their educators. The motto behind conducting the activity was to increase joy, improve focus, empathize with others and gain an outlet for expressing feelings.



Save paper

1 ton less paper saves

17 trees

380 gallons of oil

6953 gallons of water

587 pounds of air pollution

4,077 kilowatt hours of energy

3.06 cubic yards of landfill space

Children prepared posters on 'Save Paper'. This activity spread awareness among children on proper usage of paper and the methods and ideas of reducing its wastage. Children realised the importance of consumption of complete page of any notebook to avoid wastage.



"Your students can learn the arts as well as learn through the arts."- Andrew Miller

Edifiers of Grade-II attended this week's group activity conducted by their educators. Children exhibited their creative skills by drawing early human faces through palm painting. This group activity was intended to ensure children comprehend subject integration of Art with EVS.



Research is to see what everybody else has seen, and to think what nobody else has thought.

-Albert Szent-Gyorgyi

Students of Grade V were involved in a milestone activity as a part of their Inquiry Module.

The learners got few objects that they use in their everyday life and categorised them as solids and liquids and presented it in the form of drawing. The focus of the activity was to enhance research skills among students.



Arts Integration is an APPROACH to TEACHING

in which students construct and demonstrate UNDERSTANDING through an ART FORM.

Students engage in a CREATIVE PROCESS which CONNECTS an art form and another subject area and meets EVOLVING OBJECTIVES in both.

Edifiers of grade-IV attended a group activity on subject integration of Art with EVS, conducted by their educators. Children coloured Egyptian Pharaohs outline images in art and craft book. This activity threw light on the costume and attire of eminent Egyptian Pharaohs.

BOARDERS

Financial planning is like navigation. If you know where you are and where you want to go, navigation isn't such a great problem. It's when you don't know the two points that it's difficult.

Our Residential Head and STEM Coordinator, Mr. Hari Krishna conducted an interactive session including financial activities. The session covered the following topics.

Money savings and usage of piggy bank

Banking system

Needs and Wants

Record Keeping

Budgeting

Borrowing and EMI

Investment (Fixed deposit, gold, real estate, stock market)

Life Insurance

Basic concepts of money

Students recognized the importance of money and know how to save and invest their money.



EPIC EDUCATION @ Boarding School

The Indian mythology has a theory of cycles, that all progression is in the form of waves' – Swami Vivekananda

Another marvelous interactive session was conducted for our Residential students – EPIC EDUCATION

The session was interesting and the students' interaction was highly appreciable. Indian mythology and epics give us the way of living and the advancement of science and technology in ancient days. The session was conducted by Mr. Hari Krishna, Residential Head and STEM Coordinator. The following topics were discussed

1. Formation of the universe and timeline in Vedic cosmology
2. Multi-verse, multi-dimension and time travel
3. Ancient Technology in ancient India
4. Science behind the rituals and traditions in India
5. Education system in the Vedic period



Word to the parent

Dear Parents,

In this edition I desire to share about instant gratification Instant (or immediate) gratification is a term that refers to the temptation, and resulting lender to forego a future benefit in order to obtain a less rewarding but more immediate benefit, an example or two are:

- ▲ A person who wakes up to an alarm and hits the alarm and hits the snooze button is instantly gratifying themselves with nine minutes of not having to get up.
- ▲ Putting off a work task to talk to friends.
- ▲ Buying a car that isn't their first colour because the one they want isn't on the car lot.

People want instant gratification because our brains are wired to prioritize short term needs over long term goals. The brain responds to short term descrics of satisfaction by releasing dopamine, a pleasure hormone that we crave more and more of.

Instant gratification creates addictive tendencies.

We can overcome instant gratification by

- ▲ Watching the urges, we all have urges, to check on social media, junk/processed/packed food, to procrastinate or find distractions.
- ▲ Delay
- ▲ Make a conscious decision
- ▲ Learn over time
- ▲ Enjoy the moment without following the urge.

21st cent learners are an easy pray to instant gratification. Our Enculturation and Acculturation may safeguard our generation. Please think about it and out act accordingly.



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Christmas Celebrations



Mini Edi Sports Day

MINI EDI SPORTS DAY

Good sportsmanship: Be kind if you win and if lose tell the other team that it was a good game.

Sports and games enhance a child's physical, social, cognitive and emotional well-being. Apart from improving their physical development, it also helps in shaping and enhancing their fine motor skills. A game's importance is not just on what they play, their status and popularity but also on what the game inculcates in them. Mini EDI Sports Day, 2022-23 was conducted for IK II & III students. The school playground was buzzing with energy and enthusiasm of IK Edifiers as they participated in the events of the day.



Christmas Celebrations @ Kindergarten

Christmas is the festival which inspires the spirit of sharing and caring.

Soaking in the spirit of Christmas, tiny tots of Edify celebrated the festival with enthusiasm. A special assembly of the little children was held in the School premises. Children were told the story of Jesus Christ. The tunes of "We wish you a merry Christmas...", "Dashing through the snow..." filled the air with festivity. Little Santa too made a grand entry and gave adorable poses to click. The boundless joy of celebrating the festival was visible on the faces of all the children.



New Year Celebrations

To bid farewell to the year 2022 and to welcome the New Year 2023, Kindergarteners gathered with great enthusiasm. Principal, Tr. Girish graced the occasion and cake was cut along with the students and educators. Children conveyed their wishes with cheers and smiles.



ACTIVITIES

World Soil Day

To forget how to dig the Earth and to tend the soil is to forget ourselves. - Mahatma Gandhi

Students of IK-II and IK-III were involved in a special assembly presentation on the occasion of 'World Soil Day'. The educators demonstrated how the soil is getting polluted and depleted and the necessary steps to be taken to protect from the same.



Math gallery walk on account of National Mathematics Day

Mathematics makes our life orderly and prevents chaos. Certain qualities that are nurtured by Mathematics are power of reasoning, creativity, abstract or spatial thinking, critical thinking, problem-solving ability and even effective communication skills.



Farmer's Week

"In winters chill or summer's heat... A farmer works so that world can eat"

Farming and farmer plays a vital role for the survival of mankind. So it's our duty to teach our future generation about the importance of farming. To ignite the passion for farming in kids, we involved them in various farming activities like digging, sowing, mulching and watering. During the activity they learnt how the food that we eat is produced and also the importance of farmer in taking care of land and its resources.



ASSEMBLY PRESENTATIONS

Types of senses



KisanDiwas



Agriculture was the first occupation of man, and as it embraces the whole earth, it is the foundation of all other industries. - **W. Stewart**

To respect the work of a farmer, KisanDiwas is celebrated on 23rd of December every year. Kindergarteners attended a special assembly to know about the importance of farmer and the tools used in farming. Sairam of IK-III stalwarts came dressed up as a farmer and the concept was carried ahead through a role play.



Role play on Farmer and his tools

During the Farmer's Week, Master Kushal of IK-III Stalwarts came dressed up as a farmer to demonstrate the role of farmer. He also showed his tools and spoke about their use.

Word to the parent

Children Learn What They Live

If children live with criticism,
they learn to condemn.

If children live with hostility,
they learn to fight.

If children live with ridicule,
they learn to be shy.

If children live with shame,
they learn to feel guilty.

If children live with encouragement,
they learn confidence.

If children live with tolerance,
they learn patience.

If children live with praise,
they learn to appreciate.

If children live with acceptance,
they learn to love.

If children live with approval,
they learn to like themselves.

If children live with honesty,
they learn truthfulness.

If children live with security,
they learn to have faith.

If children live with friendliness,
they learn the world is a nice place to live.

