

The Orientation programme in Vidyodaya School was inaugurated by Sri. James Joseph, former Accountant General, India. The objective of the training was to improve faculty perceptions in the value of teaching, increasing motivation and enthusiasm for teaching and disseminating skills. The Vidyodayan teachers presented papers on various topics and the 5 day training programme concluded on 30th May 2018.

#### Environment day

Vidyodaya School celebrated Environment Day on June 5th 2018 in a unique manner. Sri. Manoj Edavanakkad, a visionary who works for the conservation of nature was the chief guest. He encouraged the students to not only simply sow seeds but to protect and conserve them throughout their life. The innovative concept of a butterfly garden was inaugurated by Sri. Manoj.

Vidyodaya Trust Chairman

Col. E.V. Krishnan, Vice Chairman Major. M.G.C., Nair, Executive trustee Dr. P. Sreekumar, Principal Smt. Esther Agnes, Teacher Ms. Jessy Uppai graced this auspicious day with their presence.

#### Investiture ceremony

The members of the school student council were elected by the class 6 – 12 students of Vidyodaya after a 3 day campaigning and final election on the 20th of June 2018. On June 25th, the members were initiated into their duties and responsibilities by the chief guest, Air Vice Marshal K.B. Kurup VSM (Rtd). He bestowed the badges to the new leaders and led them in their oath to fulfill their responsibilities for the academic year 2018-19. He spoke on the various qualities like self discipline, knowledge, courage, integrity needed by an inspiring leader.

Chairman of Vidyodaya Trust Col E.V. Krishnan presided over the function and the event was felicitated by the Vice chairman Dr. K. Paulose Jacob. Executive Trustee Dr.

P. Sreekumar, Vice chairman Major M.G.C. Nair, Principal Esther Agnes, Nursery in charge Shirly Somasundaram, Vice Principal Ananthakrishnan, graced the occasion. Former Captain Shankar Vinayak shared his thoughts to the gathering and the present school captain Abhinav Shyju gave insights on the importance of working as a team. Grandparents and parents of the elected students were also present to witness the programme.

#### Nadanirjhari

Vidyodaya school held Nadanirjhari, the classical music and instrumental interschool competition on 27th June 2018. Famous Music Director and dubbing artist Sri. Sony Kuruvilla inaugurated the programme. Around 110 students from 18 schools within Kochi participated in various events. Bhavans Varuna Vidyalaya won the Champions Trophy and Chinmaya, Thripunithura became the Runners up.

#### Workshop for parents

Vidyodaya School conducted a workshop for parents on 30th June 2018. Renowned psychiatrist Dr. C.J. John and Mrs. Parveen Hafeez, M D, Sunrise Hospital led the sessions. They clarified the doubts raised by parents during the discussion. Around 800 parents were present for the programme.

## Ramayana month

Piety and devotion marks the holy Ramayana month of Karkkidakam. Slokas from the Ramayana are recited every day during the morning assembly.

The spice programme on Ramayana was held on 2nd August 2018. Smt Radhamani, a teacher and the grandparent of Karthik Jayesh of class ID, was the special guest who spoke about the values of Ramayana which should be incorporated in the lives of the present generation. Class four and five students participated in the various events like Bhajan, Dance, Tableau and Quiz.

## Vox

'Athisayaragam' VOX 2018, an interschool competition was held at Vidyodaya school on July 31st, 2018. The programme was inaugurated by the famous music maestro, Shri M.K. Arjunan Master. The logo of the international Children's film festival DRISHYODAYA, to be held in the month of September was launched by the eminent film director and executive member of Kerala Chalachitra Academy, Siby Malayil. This year's VOX is dedicated to the legendary singer, Padmavibhushan Dr. K.J. Yesudas. 500 students from almost 22 schools participated with great vigour and enthusiasm in all the events. The day ended with the valedictory function led by the famous singer Shri K.K. Nishad. Chinmaya School, Vaduthala emerged as the overall champions and the runner up was The Delta studies, Fort Kochi.

## Inter school table tennis

The 4th interschool table tennis tournament was conducted by Vidyodaya on 3rd August. Ms Esther Agnes, Principal inaugurated the programme. Almost 12 schools actively participated in the tournament and Greets Public school emerged as the overall champions.

## Sarganjali

Sarganjali the class-wise cultural competition for Std V to VIII was held on the 7th and 8th of July. 'One for all and all for one' seemed to be their motto.

## Independence Day

Vidyodaya School celebrated Independence Day on 15th August 2018 in vibrant colours. Vidyodaya Trust Chairman Col.E.V. Krishnan delivered the Independence Day message. A skit based on the life of Nelson Mandela was performed and patriotic songs were sung as entertainment programme.

## Teacher's day

In connection with Teacher's day, a special assembly was conducted on September 5, 2018, to pay tribute to late Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and to honour the teaching fraternity of Vidyodaya. The Management and the students jointly honoured the teachers for the wonderful role they play in moulding the children, guiding the society and building the Nation. It was followed by a variety entertainment programme put up by the teachers.

## Grandparents day

Grandparents day was celebrated in Vidyodaya School on 6th October 2018. Almost 800 grandparents attended the programme which honoured eminent personalities like B.S. Warriar and Raviachan. Teachers entertained the audience with their skit, dance and songs. In the interactive session, grandparents shared their experiences and thoughts. They also took part in various fun programmes arranged by the teachers. Vidyodaya Trust patron Justice P.K. Shamsuddin, Chairman Col E.V. Krishnan, Vice chairman Major M.G.C. Nair, Executive trustee Dr. P. Sreekumar and Principal Esther Agnes shared their thoughts at the event.

## Navratri

The Navratri celebrations commenced on the 10th of October with a message by Ms. Lakshmi S of English dept. Boma Kolu was arranged in the entrance of the administrative block. Special programmes for Navratri were conducted on 16th October from 12 noon to 3 p.m. The assembly hall was lit up with the melodious music sung by students and teachers.

## Kerala day

Vidyodaya school celebrated Kerala day colourfully. The renowned poet and FM Radio Jockey Ms. V.M. Girija was the chief guest. Students enacted Vaikom Muhammed Basheer's famous drama "Mucheetukalikalude makkal" and also presented traditional dance and musical programmes. Vidyodaya Trust chairman Col. E.V. Krishnan, Vice Chairman Major M.G.C. Nair, Executive Trustee Dr. P. Sreekumar and Principal Esther Agnes graced the occasion.

## Junior Annual day

Vidyodaya school celebrated Junior Annual day on November 24th, 2018. Around 400 students from classes 1 to 4 participated in various programmes. Vidyodaya Trust chairman Col. E.V. Krishnan presided the function. Executive trustee Dr. P. Sreekumar welcomed the gathering. Vice chairman Major M.G.C. Nair, parent representative Dr. Padmanabh Shenoy, and Principal Esther Agnes graced the occasion. Each department displayed the theme 'Happiness' in a unique manner. The fusion of western music and the traditional dance form Kathak was the highlight of the show. The programme concluded with the portrayal of the life of Nelson Mandela.

## Cognizance 2018

Cognizance was an attempt by 11th standard students to inculcate in children managerial skills and the ability to work in a team. The guests Ms. Swapna Sunny, an entrepreneur and Mr. Francis Peter Tharagan a litigation lawyer graced the occasion with their presence and inspiring words. The programme included games, career guidance, quiz session and concluded with a sale of home made food items by the students which would hone their skills in marketing.

## Annual sports meet

The 28th Vidyodaya Annual Sports meet was held on 25th January 2019. An eminent football player and AFC coach Mr. Xavier Pius ignited the Olympic torch and declared the meet open. The day's events began with the house wise march past followed by the energetic performances by

the students of classes 5,6,7 in mass drill., kalari, yoga and taekwondo. Students of class 11 enthralled the audience with their unique aerobics performance

#### Annual Day

The 29th Annual Day celebration of Vidyodaya school, was held on the school premises on 9th February 2019. Vice chairman, Vidyodaya Trust, Prof. (Dr.) Paulose Jacob presided over the function and delivered the presidential address. Dr. P. Sreekumar, executive trustee delivered the introductory remarks and Principal Esther Agnes presented a message on the occasion. Parent representative Dr. Unnikrishnan K Menon, Associate professor at Dept. Of ENT, School of Medicine, Kochi offered felicitation on the occasion. Prizes were given way to the school toppers in AISSCE AISSE and also special prizes were awarded to the outgoing batch. The VIEM awards for the best teacher were also presented in the occasion. The students put up an enchanting show and the stage came alive with scintillating performances.

Jyothidaan-A farewell function where in Vidyodaya gives a small lamp signifying the light of knowledge, goodwill and integrity to its outgoing batch expecting that it would be passed on to the world. Its a tradition that has been kept up since so many years.

#### Arangu

The academic year winds to a close with a spectacular display of fine arts and martial arts learnt during the year by students of classes I – IV.

#### SPICE

The SPICE (Social Participation in Child Education) is one of the remarkable programmes in school, wherein the students get chances to interact with eminent personalities from diverse realms in the society.

#### Career guidance

This year, Vidyodaya conducted a career guidance workshop to enlighten the students of classes XI and XII on the many opportunities available in the country and abroad for young aspirants to pursue. The career guidance cell specially designed to make the children aware of these opportunities has started functioning effectively.

1. Vidyodaya is glad to inform you that **Mr. Ramanathan Ramanan, Atal Innovation Mission Director** visited our ATL Lab at Vidyodaya School, Kochi. He was highly impressed with the quality of lab setup and the resources.
2. World ocean day, Blood donors day and Vayanadinam were observed in the school during assembly
3. A special programme was organised by the Sports Department on 14th June to mark the commencement of FIFA world cup during assembly. A brief history of FIFA world cup and an active discussion by the senior students on the stage regarding each team and its possibility of winning the cup enthralled the audience and it truly generated the spirit of football.
4. School Elections were held on 20/06/18
5. As a part of International Yoga day celebrations, the senior students of Vidyodaya displayed various postures of yoga during the morning assembly.
6. WOW Project by ITC recycling group came on June 28, to collect the old notes and papers from students of classes 3 to 12 and gave back notebooks, scales, pens and erasers which is to be distributed to students.
7. Members of SPICMACAY, a non-profit voluntary organisation, were invited to Vidyodaya school on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, 2018 for a mesmerising musical performance. The world renowned gurbani singer, Dr Alankar Singh along with Sri Ravinder Singh and

Sri Jagmohan Singh enthralled the 11<sup>th</sup> standard students with the soothing music.

8. Mandela@100 day was celebrated on 18/07/18. The south African students doing engineering in Rajagiri College-Mr. Fred P Balakari, Mr. Mensah Bright Kofi, Mr. Samuel Maoza, Mr. Tumisang Eric Mathaba were guests of honour. They unveiled the portrait of Nelson Mandela and lit candles as a tribute.

9. Fans of French Football Team planted Alphonso Mango tree in the campus.

10. Physics workshop for std XII and XI science stream organised by KSTS held on 26/7/18. Dr. T.R. Ananthkrishnan was the resource person.

11. With the aim of promoting awareness about Fisheries and Ocean Sciences among students, to impart practical training in different branches and to involve them in projects. This idea is the first time in the country where a school and a professional university are collaborating in a joint mission. The Vice Chancellor of KUFOS lauded the unique initiative. The agreement was signed by Dr. Victor Georgr, Registrar of KUFOS and Dr. P. Sreekumar, Executive Trustee Vidyodaya.

14. Vidyodaya School organised CHITRANJALI a painting exhibition by Vidyodayan Students @ Changapuzha Park, Edappally.

15. Ms Hanna Mariyam of class XII recited a poem named "marupadi" in the assembly

16. "From Archival to virtual" Redefining School Libraries – one day workshop was conducted for librarians of various schools on 8/9/18

17. The Vidyodaya Management, teachers and students donated Rs. 10 lakhs to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund. The DD was handed over to the district collector Shri. Muhammed Y Safarulla by the Principal Mrs. Esther Agnes

18. Launched Vidyodaya's year long observance of Gandhiji's 150th birth anniversary

19. Science exhibition was conducted.

20. In order to awaken the innate literary talents of children, the Malayalam department publishes a magazine EZHUTHOLA every term. The hand written versions of the stories, poems and articles are included in the magazine. After the official inauguration of the magazine in the assembly, it is displayed in the various notice boards of our school.

21. In connection with space week celebrations from Oct 4th to 10th, Space club organised an exhibition in the Junior Science Lab on Oct 24th and 25th. Models and charts were displayed and members of space club explained them. Students of classes 3 to 8 visited the exhibition. A space quiz was conducted in the assembly the same week.

22. Run for Unity pledge and run

23. V-Litt was organized by the English dept on 30/11/18. An intra school literary event was conducted for students in three categories: 1&2 had fancy dress competition, 3,4&5 had quiz and classes 6,7&8 had anchoring competition.

24. In connection with National mathematics day the following events were conducted on 19/12/18.

std 1 and 2 Drawing competition with shapes.

std 3 and 4 Quiz

std 5,6,7,8 Blue board competition.

25. The second Vidyodaya Model United Nations (VMUN) session was held on 17th January 2019 where students showcased their debating and leadership skills by assuming the roles of delegates of various countries. The topic they deliberated on was International Peace and security. Scrolls of honour were given to Master Rishikesh KV and Master Allen Mathew. The best delegate awards were given to Aditya Naveen and Devashish Singh.

26. Youth Parliament was conducted in school on December 7th.

Students of class XI took up the role of Speaker, Dy Speaker, ministers, Secretary General MP s etc.

It gave them an insight into functioning of Indian Parliament.

It was strictly based on the Protocol given by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

50 students participated in the event. It was held in assembly hall from 1.30 to 3.00pm

27. Vidyodaya has taken up the challenge of preparing our students for disaster management.

Without panic how to help face a natural disaster, help oneself and others during the time of day natural disaster..

Raksha, the disaster management wing of the school took up the challenge of giving them a mock drill for evacuating themselves from the building during the time of disaster.

Block by block evacuation training was given to them and finally classes from 1 to 10 was evacuated within 3 minutes. 1500 children assembled in the PT ground through 12 routes which was already given to them.