



N.S.N GROUP OF SCHOOLS



CHRONICLES OF THE THIRD TERM 2020-2021

VISION

To take education beyond and build a new World.

MISSION STATEMENT

"To provide wholesome education that nurtures values, develops social skills, enhances experiential learning, leading to development of 21st century skills, provides opportunities to discover self and contribute to the society".

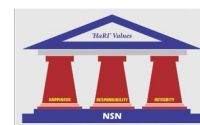
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SACRED SPACE



'HaRI' VALUES



We believe in the core values of Happiness, Responsibility and Integrity and our endeavor is to instill these core values in students to enable them to achieve holistic growth and develop a charming personality. In order to support the HaRI values, we have 50 best practices.
<https://www.nsnschools.com/best-practice/> Social contribution is an integral part of NSN as we believe in giving to society.
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Covid Support:

This academic year the management has waived an income of rupees one crore eight lakhs, twenty six thousand five hundred and fifty towards fee exemption / concession, out of which 11 lakhs was waived for students whose families' economic status has been affected by the ongoing pandemic.

A Note from the Editor:

When was the last time you did a "friend check"! When was the last time you just took the phone and called someone for "no reason"! When was the last time you surprised someone with a nice happy personal message! Are we forgetting all this in the name of "social distancing"? Are we getting so caught up in the virtual web that we have forgotten the real people and what relationships mean to us. We may be physically distant from each other, but let's not forget to mentally connect. We have been spending so much of our time lately reminiscing about the memories that we had before the pandemic struck us. Little things like a family get together, a cuppa with a friend, a weekend getaway, a movie day out, have all become distant memories. But we can still create new ones by acknowledging the little things that we have and be happy with what we have, when compared to those who are less fortunate. However, a walk down the memory lane does not hurt if it brings a smile to you. So let's go back and see what all NSN did in the last term to continue the legacy of cherishing memories. So keep basking in those memories, while you continue MASKing #stayhome#staysafe

Dimple
Principal
NSN Matriculation Higher Secondary School

2020- A YEAR OF GREAT OPPORTUNITIES

Students are sometimes told to write a composition on, "what if I became invisible for a day," or "If God appeared before me," or "If I could change one thing in this world." Children come up with their fanciful, creative ideas. But none of us ever thought about what could bring the whole world to a halt, to its knees, or shut the whole world. It was almost impossible to even entertain such a thought. It was beyond anybody's imagination.



Every adversity should be seen as an opportunity. This is what the pandemic has taught us. After the initial shock and denial, the optimistic mind went about planning for a new lifestyle, a new way of working, a new way of looking at life. Disturbances will peep into our life, but it is important that we do not stay disturbed. Expanding our circle of influence is vital. We can only influence our lives. We are helpless victims of the virus. Life has to move on and that should be our primary focus. Let us focus on what can be done and not on what cannot be.

We take life for granted, not realising that not even a nano second of our life is in our hands. Life sometimes jerks you out of your reverie and you find yourself in a helpless state. What is assuaging is, you are not alone. The whole world is with you in your fear or pain.

When life gives you consequences, you can make a counter choice in life to either succumb or to move on. We at NSN chose to move on, despite the initial days of confusion and challenge. When the whole world was complaining and reeling under the shock, we started seeing it as an opportunity to develop ourselves, think out of the box, become creative, empower ourselves, innovate, ideate, redesign, reinvent ourselves, and all this, when people were restless for answers and were not patient enough to give us time to unscramble or come out of the maze we were in. A lot of thinking is required to find solutions, but the world is merciless sometimes and demanding most of the time.

This year gave a lot of time for families to bond, to understand each other, to take up responsibilities, to involve children in the family budgeting, to discover the potential in every child, to create the feeling of oneness in every family, not forgetting the responsibility of every parent to be a role model, to display maturity, to demonstrate the language of love, to achieve work life balance, to inculcate values in children, and everything that we missed out otherwise. That on which you focus becomes your life. What was your focus?

The innumerable activities that were conducted virtually speaks volumes about the enthusiastic, energetic and enterprising team in NSN. There was no compromise whatsoever. Students experienced most of what they experience in a physical classroom. It was not just academics, but much more. A lot of initiatives were taken to motivate students to be regular, prompt in completing their work, honest in writing their tests., develop their reading and writing skills, the mentors instantly equipped themselves to use technology, thanks to the in-house training team and the various training programs attended by our mentors.

It was a great year for discovering the humongous human potential. It was a year which revealed a lot of writers, artists, speakers, and record breakers in NSN. It was a year which carried the message of hope & faith. It was a year that qualified the champions from the also rans. It was a year when life's lessons were learnt. It was a year that belonged to the persevering and the determined. Tough times do not last, tough people do! It was indeed a year of great opportunities!!!

Chitra Prasad
Correspondent
NSN Group of Schools

KG News

To enhance the communication skill of the children and to make them more confident, Pink Colour day (29.01.21 & 30.01.21) and Black and white colour day (12.03.21 & 13.03.21) was celebrated. Children participated with zeal and zest and we could see them speak with confidence.

"MI - CHAMPS" contest was conducted which was an initiative taken by the MI KIDS - SIP Academy, to motivate the young learners. The contest was conducted based on the reading and speaking skill of children and they were asked to share their videos. Children participated actively and E-certificates

were awarded to selected children of LKG & UKG. It was a proud moment for us that Aarav Badrinath of UKG E was selected as one of the finalists of the contest. To boost the self-esteem and confidence of the children, a Talent show on "Story Telling" was conducted on 19.02.21 & 20.02.21. Colourful properties were used by children to narrate the story, which showcased their talents to everyone.



To know the understanding level of the children and fill in the learning gaps, Oral assessments were conducted from 18.03.21 to 26.03.21. Children were assessed based on clear, defined rubrics which gave clarity and transparency to the assessment.

No. of certificates for talent show
CPT - 153

CPM - 196

MEM - 242

TOTAL - 591

No. of certificates for full attendance
CPT - 21

CPM - 39

MEM - 58

TOTAL - 118

No. of certificates for live class
CPT - 256

CPM - 408

MEM - 567

TOTAL - 1231

VIRTUAL KG GRADUATION DAY

Kindergarten Graduation is an exciting milestone for pre-primary children, as it is their first step towards a promising future filled with opportunities and possibilities. A Virtual Kindergarten Graduation Day was celebrated at NSN Group of Schools on 27.03.2021. The Celebration started with the Infini Prayer, followed by the glimpses of activities conducted throughout the year. The Correspondent, Chitra Prasad, addressed the parents and children on this memorable day. The little ones looked gorgeous, in their favourite party wear, dancing to the tunes of the peppy music that was played. It was indeed a joyous and cherishable day not only for the little ones but also a proud moment for the parents as they saw their ward graduate. It was a gratifying moment for the teachers as they saw the culmination of the year amidst all challenges of going online. The event came to an end with parents thanking the teachers and the management for a productive and fun filled year of learning.



PRIMARY NEWS

Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day is always a gala event in NSN. This year, however, our students prepared a beautiful card for their grandparents, expressing their love and affection for them.



The highlight was the videos sent by grandparents, displaying their talents, be it rangoli, yoga, singing songs, sharing health tips, home remedies etc. Those who shared were awarded an e-certificate as a token of our love and respect for them.

Speaking Assessment

As Speaking is the most important skill to be developed, a speaking assessment was initiated in which students were allotted batches for their presentation on selected topics. Students were assessed based on clearly defined RUBRICS which gave clarity and transparency to the assessment. Children participated with zeal and zest and we could see them speak with confidence. An e-certificate was awarded to all the students acknowledging and motivating their participation.

Thinkroom Day

A Virtual Thinkroom Day was conducted on 27.02.2021 in which students presented the concept assigned to them with confidence and clear explanation. The Promo video "<https://chrysalisday.world/site/index/2d3fd59a17075276384c32afef7ab715>" highlighted the efforts taken during the current academic year. Children were visibly confident and enthusiastic in presenting the topics in their unique style. Presentations were creative (Mono role plays, demonstrating how one helps at home, dressing up for the role, usage of a variety of at-home material for demos). Addition machine was the highlight! Overall, Thinkroom Day turned out to be the most cherished event of the year.



Book Reviews

"Today a reader, tomorrow a leader."

Students continued writing book reviews each week and were awarded with e-certificates for every single book review. This enhanced their reading skills too.

E-CERTIFICATES

I-V

4794

VI-VIII

2545

Chinmaya Mission Gita Chanting Competition

Online Gita Chanting Competition was conducted from KG-Std. X. A Preliminary round was conducted on 06.01.2021 and the final round on 31.01.2021. Students chanted the verses clearly with utmost dedication.

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

FUN MATH

Math is a subject that plays a villainous role for most of the students during this age. So, to transform Math into a fun filled and a much more interesting subject a webinar on POWER OF VEDIC MATHS was conducted by Dr. Suresh Aggarwal.

WASTE MANAGEMENT DRIVE

As a part of the waste management drive a set of activities were conducted on the 19th of February through the Google classroom on the topic "RECYCLE IS GOOD, REUSE IS BETTER BUT REDUCE IS THE BEST." It was really astonishing and spectacular to see the beautiful creations made by these creative minds using the best of waste.



WORDS OF WISDOM

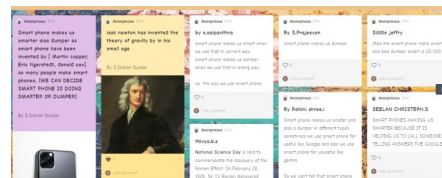
Words have the power to magnetise us. On the 11th of March WORDS OF WISDOM was conducted where the students of each level were given ten different quotes of Revered Mahatria Ra. It was with an intent to fill their minds with the right thoughts that this was conducted. There was a huge level of participation of the students and most of them were able to deliver all the quotes in a flawless manner.



HIGHSCHOOL NEWS

National Science Day

An Opinion poll was conducted among students on 28th February to observe the National Science day. Students were given an opportunity to share their opinion on selected topics. The topics were chosen level-wise with the focus on the impact of certain scientific inventions on our fast-paced life.



In-house Trainings by Mentors

The following were the in-house training sessions conducted during the month of March. On 20.03.2021, a session on "Happy Classroom" was conducted by Mrs. Nithya and Mrs. Revathi for KG and Primary Mentors.

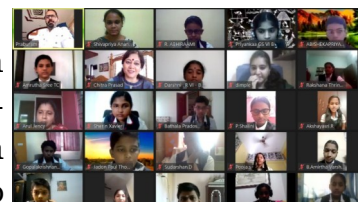
On 20.03.2021, a session on "Managing virtual classrooms" was conducted by Mrs. Anupriya and Mrs. Saranya for Std. VI to VIII handling mentors.

On 23.3.2021, a session on "Gamification in English teaching" was conducted by Ms. Mohanapriya and Mrs. D. Aparna for Std. VI to XII English mentors. This new initiative will continue in the forthcoming days.

LEADERSHIP CLUB

On 13.2.2021, club members attended an online session on "Self-confidence" conducted by the student counsellor. An interactive session with Mr. Praburam, the CEO of a large aluminum corporation, Alubee, was a golden opportunity given to the club members to know the ways to develop themselves as a leader.

On 20.03.21, a session by Mrs. Srilekha, an executive coach, helped the members to look within and identify the leader in them.



Session with Mr.Praburam

VIRTUAL PROJECT DAY

Project based learning is undoubtedly a fun way of learning. NSN Group of schools, Chromepet and Chitlapakkam, conducted the first ever virtual Project Day on 10th and 12th March 2021 for middle school and primary respectively. Students of class 3 to 8 had the opportunity to innovate, explore and present their learnings in the most creative ways. Students stunned the viewers with their creativity ranging from puppet shows to sketches, videos with voice over to name a few. Presentations brought in conceptual clarity with the added element of fun. This collaborative learning was a perfect closure for all the concepts learned throughout the year. Fluency in presentation, enhanced vocabulary and no inhibitions indicated the confidence level of students.



PARENTING SKILLS

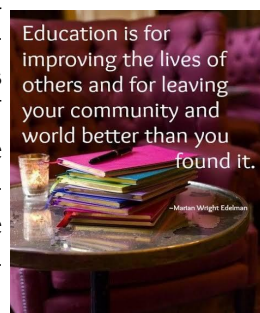
LIVE FB session on "Parenting Skills" by Mrs.Chitra Prasad, Correspondent, NSN Group of Schools for the parents of Std. I to XII.



Tackling the minds of young children is a challenging task in this current situation. Having them 24/7 at home is really a daunting task for all the parents. In order to facilitate a better understanding and to reduce the stress of the parents by bringing in a friendlier atmosphere for the students, a session was conducted by our Correspondent through Facebook on PARENTING SKILLS on the 31st of January.

PRINCIPAL'S SESSION

The respective Principals addressed the students of std.10,11 and 12 to help them enhance their academic performance in the forthcoming exams. An exclusive session was also conducted for students who exhibit the potential to top the board examination. We at NSN strongly believe that the active involvement of the parents in the child's education leads to a positive impact on the academic performance of the child. Hence, sessions are planned regularly to guide them to encourage and monitor their wards and help them to become achievers.



STUDENT COUNSELLOR'S SESSION

The student counsellor conducted various sessions for classes VI to XII based on their level from January to March, 2021. The details are as follows:

STUDY SKILLS AND HOW TO OVERCOME EXAM STRESS for X & XII on 30.01.2021.

THE ART OF HANDLING PROCRASTINATION for Std. VI to VIII on 10.02.2021 to 12.02.2021

ADOLESCENCE IS A PERIOD OF STRESS AND STORM
for Std IX on 20.02.2021 and Std XI on 27.02.2021

SAY NO TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE for Std IX, X, XI, XII. The session was conducted for Std XI and XII on 01.04.2021 and Std IX and X on 03.04.2021.

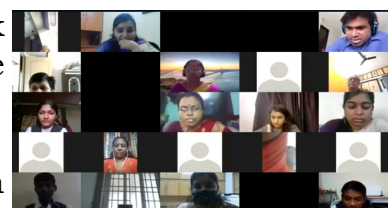


SPECIAL SESSIONS

27.02.2021 – Session on Organic Chemistry by an eminent teacher Mr. Janesh Rathod, presently working in UAE to make the concepts simpler and interesting for the students of Std XI.

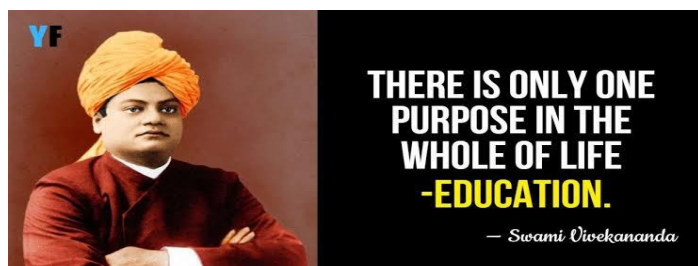
13.03.2021 - Session on "Handling Fear" by Dr.Rajdeep Manwani, Coordinator Department of Commerce at Jain University, Bangalore for the students of Std. XII.

01/04/2021-An interactive online session by Mr. Karthick Regavendra, CA and Master Speaker (Young Indians) for the students of Std.X.



Session with Mr.Karthick Regavendra

03/04/2021- An online session on “Compassion” by Golden Butterflies Palliative Children’s Care Foundation for Std. VIII.



10/04/2021 “Online career Guidance Program” conducted by by Aram Foundation for the students of Std.XII.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Physical Education department continued with live zoom sessions for students to coach them on the skills of many games like Basketball, Football, Handball and Volleyball. PT staff attended an online training programme, “Khelo India Fitness Assessment” and learnt the parameters in which the fitness of the students can be assessed. They

also attended “Physical Education to Physical Literacy” a webinar which was conducted by Gurukul College of Commerce. This webinar gave an insight into the Physical Literacy approach which lays special emphasis on the role of motivation and enjoyment in making people value and engage in physical activi-

The Physical Education Department is empowered through these training programmes.



WELLNESS AND BEYOND...

The last eleven months have given way to a sedentary lifestyle, minimal physical activity, increase in the number of hours in front of the system, that it has taken a toll on the physical & psychological well being of both, students and teachers, complaining not only of soreness in muscles, especially in the upper body, poor posture but also feeling low in spirits. At NSN, we have the Student Counsellor periodically addressing the students. We have also created a facility for students to connect with the Counsellor virtually for any psychological issues they may be facing and ensure that it is addressed.



We have incorporated a 5 minute stretching routine every morning with instructions over the PA system. This is done in addition to the routine exercises and the one minute physical challenge shared virtually by the physical education department. Our players are also given tips to work on their skills and improve agility during an online live session. This new fun routine in school not only helps students and teachers to loosen up and reduce muscle soreness, but also destress, as they do it along some peppy music. We don't have to hit a gym to be fit. Our body is our gym. We owe it to our body. Let us take care of it.



NO PLASTIC DRIVE

Taking us a notch higher in our initiative #noplasticnsn, Chitra Prasad, Correspondent, NSN Group of schools, was felicitated as the Goodwill Ambassador at the District level (Chengalpattu), on the occasion of the second year inaugural function of NGTM, for Plastic pollution free Tamilnadu on 13th March, 2021. The event was presided by Sri Sai Prakash Leo Muthu, Chairman and CEO, Sairam Group of Institutions.



The Correspondent, Chitra Prasad, also released the official poster of the stu-

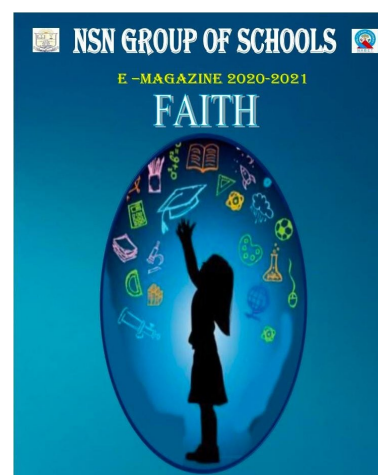
dent portal for Team NGTM, as part of the Plastic Pollution Free Tamilna-



du. The event also saw the screening of the short film prepared by students and staff of NSN to create awareness and support the cause. NSN's initiatives to curb the use of plastic and evidences of plastic replaced by the NSN family, was shared through a presentation. Join us by posting your initiatives and tag us with #noplasticnsn.

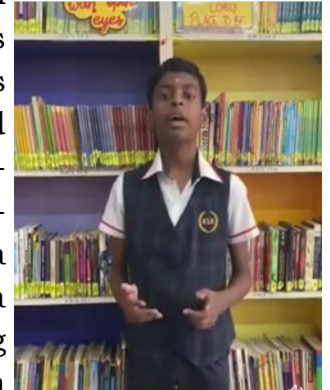
FAITH----OUR E-MAGAZINE

The E-Magazine was initiated in December and students contributed articles and drawings. Students were given liberty to pen their thoughts on topics close to their heart or topics that are trending. Students and staff wrote articles on various topics like Covid 19, My Lockdown Days, Online Learning, Life during Covid 19, Trip to moon, nature, family, mom, the list is endless.



YOUNG AUTHOR

A famous saying goes by, “Take chances when you are young so that you can tell stories when you are old.” Yuvan Pranav of Std VII (NSN Memorial Senior Secondary School) is a budding author who lives by this saying. He is a voracious reader and a phenomenal writer. His fondness for reading paved the way to enhance his vocabulary and develop his interest in writing. He embarked on his writing journey when he was in class IV. He wrote a collection of 15 short stories of various genres. What began as a casual interest became a breakthrough moment when he published this collection as a book in 2017. The young author continued his passion for writing and published his second book titled “A Little Step into Poem” in 2021. It is a collection of 20 remarkable poems that are inspired from his life. He is an inspiration to all the budding authors who are waiting for their chance to meet this world.



Signed an MoU with Young Indians (Yi)

The Vision of the NSN Group of Schools, Chromepet and Chitlapakkam, is “To take education beyond and build a new world.” We leave no stone unturned to progress in this direction. The correspondent, Mrs.Chitra Prasad, signed an MoU with Young Indians (Yi), a movement for Indian Youth to converge, lead, co-create and influence India’s future. As per this MoU, entrepreneurs, professionals and achievers from different walks of life, associated with Yi Thalir, will help students pursue their own well being while they can be socially responsible. Holistic development of school children will be focused on, sensitising them to societal needs through age appropriate projects.



Project Masoom - Child Safety, Project Road Safety, Project Climate Change, Project Gift An Organ, Entrepreneurship and Innovation to name a few. NSN is known for providing holistic, quality education and building responsible citizens and now joining hands with Yi Thalir, in their noble initiative, NSN is one step closer to the Vision.

CONNECT WITH US

NSN is proud to connect with the alumni who have placed NSN on the world map. It is always a pleasure and a moment of pride to hear from our alumni.

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