

Annual Report – 2019-20

Ladies and gentlemen, good evening! I stand before this august assembly, proud and privileged to present the report of yet another successful year of Adhyapana School.

Academics at Adhyapana

The year began with the Board exam results. 88 Students attended class XII board examination and Gurudarshini and Vainav Sundar of Class XII from the Science group scored 482/500 and were the school toppers. 106 students attended class X board exam and Gurulaxsha of Class X scored 493/500 and was the school topper. Class X Performance

Subjects	Above 95	Above 90	Centum
English	12	33	2
Math	16	27	2
Science	19	36	1
S.S	49	57	7
Tamil	15	39	
Hindi	2	6	

It is indeed a proud achievement as two of our students Gurulaxsha and SaanyaPranathy have been invited to view the Republic Day Parade in Delhi on 26th January 2020.

International Exchanges:

On April 21st, a group of students and parents numbering 35 in all, divided into 4 groups headed by Mrs. Rincy Jose, Mrs.S.Chitra, Mrs. Rukmini, and Mr. Godson left for Melbourne, Australia. They also had a brief stopover in Singapore en route to Madurai and were hosted by our life trustees Mr Praveen Visesh and Mrs Aparna Praveen. They returned on 5th May after spending 14 days in our 3 partner schools in Australia.

General Activities at School:

1. **Orientation programmes** for Parents and Teachers were conducted in the beginning of the academic year.
2. **Summer Clinic** in English, Math and Science for the children who need extra help in these subjects and **Basket Ball Camp** were also conducted last summer.
3. Saplings were presented to the school on **World Environment Day** by some parents.
4. **Anti-Child Labour Day** conveyed the message on the importance of education for all the children through our active assembly days.
5. **Colour Day** was celebrated every month for the students from KG to Std 1.
6. **Father's Day** was celebrated on 18th June with plenty of fun-filled activities.
7. Students showcased their yogic talents in lieu of **International Yoga Day** and the senior school students participated in the Mass Yoga assembly on 21st June.
8. **Prefectorial Investiture Ceremony** was held in July this year and we introduced our former students Dhanesh Menon and Gowthaman as Chief guests of the occasion.
9. **Health Check-up camp** was organized for the whole school and a team of doctors from Apollo Hospital examined general physical test, blood pressure, BMI, Dental, Eye, blood sugar and hemoglobin for all students and staff.
10. The **11th year Sports Day** for Stds III to XII, was celebrated on 6th July and Mr. Narayan B.Iyer, CEO and National Co-Ordinator of Indian Development Foundation (IDF) was the distinguished Chief Guest.
11. **KG Sports Day** was celebrated on 12th July with Mr P.F.E Divakaran, Director of The American College Choir as the chief guest.

12. Our new **Playpen** that has the Burma Bridge and Commando Net for our students was inaugurated by Mrs Zaphia Fareed General Manager, Indian Bank during the visit of Mrs Padmaja Chunduru MD & CEO of Indian Bank to our school.
13. We celebrated **Independence Day** by singing songs, playing tug of war, and a students' parade.
14. **Aarohanam 2019** an Inter CBSE Schools Cultural Fest was planned and organized meticulously by us this year. Around 2800 students from nearly 65 schools took part in this event.
15. Primary students were shown an **educational movie** conveying a message – one can reach great heights through hard work and self confidence in spite of physical challenges.
16. **Teachers' Day and Children's Day** were celebrated with special assembly activities.
17. In order to appreciate all our moms and to give a break from their daily routine - **Mother's Day Out** to PSY Farm was organized with games and activities filled with loads of fun.
18. **Guest performance on Impact of Cell Phone** was presented by our class XI students as a mime show before the distinguished Education Minister in Raja Muthaiah Mandram.
19. Interact Club members for the year 2019 were installed on 22nd July and the **first initiative** was to gift a sack of toys to the students of Neyam School to develop neuromotor skills. 30 students of **Neyam Special School** accompanied by 10 teachers and 10 parents were brought to our premises for a special Diwali Celebration, our Interact Club members gave the visitors an unforgettable day of games and cultural events. Each student was also given a take-away gift.
20. Through '**We Care**' campaign, we continue to donate money monthly, to provide lunch for the inmates of Mother Theresa's home on first Friday of every month.

Subject Activities: Subject Weeks began in the month of June.

- ✓ **SAHITA** week was celebrated in the month of June representing Sanskrit, Hindi and Tamil departments with the grand finale – a dance drama depicting Adakkam Uyarvu Tharum Aanavam Azhivai Tharum .
- ✓ **BEACON** of the Commerce and CS Department had the privilege of Mrs. Aparna Praveen, Life Trustee of Adhyapana School addressing the gathering with an engaging speech on Social Media and Cyber Safety. Mr. V Palanichamy an eminent IIS officer, Director (News), All India Radio was the Chief Guest. The Grand Finale marked the outset of the first ever '**CAREER FAIR**'.
- ✓ This was followed by Science week "**ALCHEMY**" in the month of August. This being the year of the Periodic Table, students presented the Modern Periodic Table in a musical format. Primary students showcased Photosynthesis and Life Cycle of a Butterfly.
- ✓ **SOCIAL STUDIES** Week in the month of September had set up "ART GALLERY" on the topic "Know Your Constitution." Aishwarya Lakshmi of Class IX emerged as the winner of the most renowned "Kaun Banega Adhyapana Star – 2019" quiz competition.
- ✓ English week – **AMUSE** was celebrated in the month of November with a musical drama – The Sound of Music and the grand finale - Literary pageants. KG and Primary students recited poems and enacted skits. Classes IV and V presented a skit on Value of Subjects and a Voice and Vision on 'Importance of English.'

- ✓ Math Week “**INFINITY**” was celebrated in the month of December - a 3-Day activity culminating in D.R. Iyer Memorial Inter-School Quiz Competition where our school participated on non-competitive basis. Pushpalata Vidhyamandhir, Tirunelveli was given the Rolling Trophy. Primary students, as usual, presented a plethora of Math-based activities on stage.
- ✓ A 6-day celebration of staying fit through games and physical education was well – conducted in our school to mark **Fit India School** launched by PM Modi.

Co-curricular Competitions: There is no dearth of competition in Adhyapana. We are indeed proud to say that our children emerge as winners where ever they participate – whether they are sent from school or they participate on their own.

- At **TNPL** competition our students won First prize in Villupattu and Semi-Classical Dance.
- We won the ‘**Over-all championship**’ for the second consecutive year in **Shreshta 3.0** -Hindi Inter-School Competitions at **Vellammal School, Theni**.
- We bagged several prizes in **Radio Mirchi & Pothys – Kiddi Fest** & won over-all second place among the 150 schools. The **Best Drona Award** was given to our teacher Mrs.Parashakthi.
- At **Parvathy College of Arts and Science, Dindigul**, our students won **all the prizes** in the various competitions such as Rangoli, Dance, Drama, Speech, Pencil Drawing, Solo singing and Fashion Parade.
- At **Dolphin Carnival**, our students bagged prizes in Dance, Drama and Reporter.
- Gurulaxsha and Nithyadarshini of Std 11 and Ishwarya Lakshmi of Std 9 won **2nd place in the Inter-School Math Quiz** conducted by **Keren School**.
- In **Alpha-Fest** conducted by **Idhayam Rajendran School** we bagged the overall **2nd place championship**.
- Won **2nd Prize & cash prize of Rs 2000** in the prestigious Science National Project Contest cum Workshop on “Domestic Wastewater Treatment and Strategies for Recycling” organized by **Kamaraj College of Engineering**.
- In the Lakshana and Oviya competitions conducted by **VMJ School**, we won the **overall runners-up trophy**.
- In **Eulogize Navratri** conducted by **Sri Aurobindo Mira**, we got the overall **3rd place** in Championship.
- Rayena Das Gupta of Std 10 emerged as a winner among the **top finalists in an all India Essay writing** competition conducted by **NanhiChaan Foundation**, New Delhi and got selected to participate in the NIIT University Personality Development Workshop.
- At **Innofest 3.0** conducted by PSY College, Std 11 students were awarded certificates and a cash prize of Rs 1000 for the Best Idea in Agriculture under the topic of Hydroponics.
- **CBSE Regional Science Exhibition** was held at our school on 27th & 28th Nov. 63 schools took part.
- Class XI students Sona, Hemanth, Chenthura Arunesh and Sanjeev were awarded merit certificate for their outstanding performance and are selected for the **National level contest to be held in New Delhi in January**.
- Total 39 participants from our school took part in **Rhapsody Annual Singing Challenge** held at Mahatma and we walked away with the **2nd prize**.
- Year after year, it has now become a customary event to not only participate but also get prizes in various carol singing competitions. This year too our school triumphed. We won the **1st Prize in “Chiming Bells” Choir Singing** held at Velammal Bodhi Campus. **1st prize** in Carol Singing-

Juniors at “**Michael Eve- Ring O Bells**” and **1st Prize in Michaelim Short Film Production** on Christmas in School with the **Best Performance Award** to the Senior Choir Group.

- This year too our school is honoured with ‘**The Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar**’- the cleanest and greenest school award from Madurai Corporation instituted by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India to recognize, inspire and celebrate excellence in sanitation and hygienic practices in schools.
- M Srinithi of Std IX has been selected as a qualified winner in **Top 5 amongst more than 43000** participants in **Zee 5 Mindwars Quiz** Competition.
- Ishwarya Lakshmi of Std IX and Vinaymathi of Std VII got **1st Prize in “Clash of Pi” online quiz** competition conducted by “The Hindu”
- Hannah Jessica, Savina Beatrice and Keerthiga of Std XI won **1st Prize in Computer Quiz competition** conducted by Thiagarajar College of Engineering F’Stival 2019.

Apart from being sent from the school, **students also participate in various competitions** on their own and win prizes:-

- Sriram K of Std IX got 2nd place with cash prize of Rs.5000/- in International Grandmaster Open Chess Tournament 2019 conducted by Ananthi Chess Academy in Madurai.
- G Vidhya of Std VIII was awarded a **consolation prize in Embroidery in the 44th Annual Arts and Crafts** Competition organized by Jayceerette Wing of JCI.
- Samyukta of Std VII and Akilan of Std VI got 1st and 3rd prize in Silambam respectively.
- Rishichithran of Std VII has been selected for Madurai – Skoda Cricket Team and is going to represent Madurai team in Mumbai.
- M Rakshit of Std 8 has won 2 Gold and 1 Silver, Juhi Kavya of Std 10 has won 2 Gold and 2 Silver and Darshini Balaji of Std 10 has won 3 Gold medals in Speed Skating Competition conducted by Roller Sports Association of Madurai District.
- A Nagarajan of Std 8 has won 3rd place in Silambam
- M Nithika of Std 8 got consolation prize in Art Competition conducted by The Hindu.
- Std XII- B Swastika’s painting has won the National Prize in Camel Art Contest and is selected for the International Competition.
- In the State Level Painting Competition on Energy Conservation 2019 BRHarini of Std 6 and C Naveen Kumar of Std 7 got selected.
- In the Spellbee International, 53 students are qualified for the National level, next month.
- In the GK Olympiad conducted by SOF we clinched 1 Gold Medal for Zonal Excellence & 3 School Toppers Gold.

Primary:

- C Preethi Jennifer of Std IV passed 2nd Grade in Music (Trinity College of Music, London)
- S Daksha of Std II participated in 5th Tamilnadu Open Yoga Sports Championship and got 2nd position.
- P Pranov of Std III has won Silver Medal in South Zone Karate Championship.
- D Dharshan of Std II has won the Junior level Karate Championship & Bronze Medal in South Indian Silambam.
- K Raghav of Std III has won the championship in Madurai District Level Chess Tournament.
- M Sujeth Roshan of Std V has won 3rd prize in Tamilnadu Yoga Festival.
- S Priston Jose has won the Grand Finale Award in Camlin Art Contest and is selected for the International level.
- Devang B Nair of Std 3 got Brown Belt and KYU Certificate

- K Ruthra Dev of KG 2 has won First Prize in Chess Competition conducted by Madurai North Taluk Chess Association.

The following students participated in **Roller Skating Championship** 2019 conducted by Madurai District Roller Skating and won prizes.

- N Mahizhan of Std 2 - 2 Gold
- G Janani Sri of Std 2 - Silver and Bronze
- S Gokula Kannan of Std 3 - Bronze Medal
- M Citteswara Pandian of Std 4 - Bronze Medal
- S Kayathiri of Std 5 - Silver Medal

Many of our boys and girls have been winning in Karate, Skating, Rubik Cube, Relay, Shuttle & Solo dance competitions conducted throughout the year.

Additional points: Our school is the centre for **CTET, TNPSC and NEET** exams. This year **2320** candidates have written the exams here in Adhyapana campus.

Many of you already know that our school has been selected by the Central Government to set up the Atal Tinkering Lab with a sponsorship of Rs 20 Lakhs from the Govt. I am delighted to share with you all that the **Atal Lab work is in progress**. And by next month we will have inaugurated the Lab that hopes to inculcate a spirit of inquiry in young minds and foster scientific thinking – such that students are motivated to be young scientists and innovators.

Learning Away from School:

- The students of **Class 6** were taken on a field trip to **Science Expo** held at **Mount Litera Zee School**.
- Commerce students of **Std 12** visited **Raj Nivas** to meet Mrs. Kiran Bedi, Governor of Pondicherry.
- Science group students of **Std 11** were taken on **an educational trip to Thiyagarajar College of Engineering**.
- Science group students of **Std 12** were taken on **an educational trip to RL Institute of Nautical Sciences**.
- A visit to **PSY farm** for our distinguished teachers brought back childhood days of adventure sports and street-cricket, with rope-climbing, bullock-cart rides and tractor spree thrown in.

Workshops in School:

- A workshop on **‘Cyber Safety’** and **‘Social Media’** for Std XI students was conducted by Mr. Karthik Inspector of Police Armed Reserve OD at Cyber Crime and Madam S Sharmila Sub-Inspector of Police Social Media Cell.

New Initiative:

- We @ Adhyapana joined hands with Mumbai IIT students in launching the new learning app “Genius” to make learning a joyful and motivational experience. This initiative has been initially set into motion for Stds III, IV & V

Teachers & Students in Action:

- ✧ A 2-Day **Capacity Building Programme** conducted in different places across the state for Science, Math, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Psychology, Computer Science, Informatics Practice, Tamil, Hindi, Health and Physical Education was attended by all our respective subject teachers.
- ✧ A group of 25 enthusiastic teachers attended a Workshop on **Gender Sensitivity** conducted by CBSE, Delhi at Jain Vidhyalaya, Tirupalai.

- ❖ **Inspire Internship Science Camp** held at **Chennai Institute of Technology** was attended by class XI students Sudarsona, Sushmitaa, Sathavarshini, Prithvin and Pranav and they also received merit certificates. This very prestigious offer was for our Std X Science toppers of last year and was sponsored by the Govt of India,
- ❖ As Sr.Principal, I attended a conference on Empowering Schools For Social Change in Chennai.
- ❖ Dean of Academics and I attended CBSE Schools Management Association's Annual General Body Meeting in Chennai which was graced by Shri K.A.Sengottaiyan Hon.Minister of School Education, TN and by Dr. S Kannappan Director of School Education, Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ **Excellence in Education Award** from Rotary Club of Madurai West was received by me this month.
- ❖ **GISA -2019** - Global Innovative School Award was presented to our School for Scale of Impact in STEM by BITS PILANI, in their Dubai Campus on 23rd November this month.
- ❖ One of the highest accolades in the area of education by the consumers and the industry personnel, **Asia's most trusted Brand Award 2019** in Education, organized by IBCCorporation, USA was held in Bangkok this month, where Dean sir and I received the award for Asia's Best CBSE School in India region given to Adhyapana.
- ❖ Also, I have been invited as **a speaker and an awardee** to grace the 32nd Edition of **Women Economic Forum**. This is the first one to be held in Madurai and is scheduled 25th & 26th January 2020, on the theme "Women Sculpting & Restructuring the World"

Conclusion: Ladies and Gentlemen, this report has been exceptionally long. I do not apologise for this because it had to be done. You, our dear parents have been our pillars of support. Our dear students, under the able guidance of our stalwart teachers have done us very proud and the Annual Report thus read only re-affirms this. We have been active and busy throughout the year – the experience has been exhilarating and rewarding. The Almighty has showered us with all His blessings, and we are eternally thankful for that. Our prayer is for continued blessings from all the Gods – with our idea of "Ekam Sat, Viprahahudhavadanthi" – There is only one God, people call Him by different names- and support from all of you – our dear parents, well-wishers and students, May the Adhyapana family continue to shine!

Thank you.