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World School

THINK AND LIVE BEYOND

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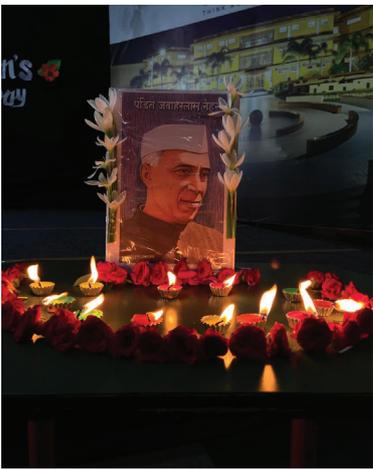
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# Children's Day

"The most precious thing in this world is a smile on a child's face"

The GeeKay World School celebrated Children's Day with great excitement and joy on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of November, 2023. Our Managing Director, Mr. Vinod Gandhi, and Head of School, Mr. Ram Kumar graced the occasion and greeted the children. The programme commenced with children paying their tributes to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

The hall buzzed with excitement as the day's festivities unfolded one after the other. Children thoroughly enjoyed the power-packed performances by the teachers which included skits, dances, songs, and fun games. The celebration concluded with the School Song and the National Anthem. Students left the auditorium with a bag full of memories that they had at school.



# International Kids Film Festival

International Kids Film Festival (IKFF) is a first-of-its-kind global film festival held in schools across 20+ countries since 2017. It provides a unique & engaging opportunity for students to watch the best of international children's films. In the world of audio-visual content, literacy is no longer only about reading & writing. Watching good films & learning how to create AV content is basic literacy today. Exposing children to different languages, cultures, emotions, challenges, etc. through films is imperative. The best independent films made for children are not available on mainstream channels. Film festivals are the only occasions where children get to watch them. In a first-of-its-kind global film festival hosted in schools, TGWS is proud to partner with School Cinemas to bring IKFF to our children. We hosted this film festival exclusively for our children from 16.11.23 to 30.11.23 where children watched several children's films selected from more than 20 countries.



# Education Today

**\*TGWS adds another feather to its cap\***

We are extremely delighted to share that the esteemed panel of Jury members consisting of India's eminent personalities from the education fraternity after analyzing schools pan India, has nominated The GeeKay World School for the Education Today's India's Top Prestigious School Jury Awards 2023. After intense scrutiny by the Jury Panel, The GeeKay World School has been awarded "Best Curriculum Design Adaptation". The TGWS management takes immense pleasure in attributing this success to the students, faculty, and parents of TGWS.



# Vidyarambham

## Children begin their 'Vidyarambham' in TGWS

Vijayadashami is celebrated across India for the victory of the good over evil. It is also a time for all the positive beginnings. On 24.10.23, TGWS witnessed many toddlers writing their first letter on paddy with the help of their parents as they were formally introduced to writing. These children will now be part of K1 and will begin their journey to become leaders of tomorrow. TGWS takes pride in welcoming these children to its family and wishes them a happy schooling.



# Primary - Assembly Diwali Celebration

Grade 3 Beta has showcased a special assembly on the Diwali celebration which was conducted on 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023. As Diwali is a celebration of lights, our students were excited and enjoyed making the craft on colourful Diyas and lanterns which later they used for stage decorations. The assembly started by lighting the kuthuvilakku by our Head of School and Coordinator followed by the prayer song and thought for the day.

The programme was enhanced with videos related to Diwali, skits on eco-friendly Diwali and mesmerising dances. Students were also briefed on safety tips while bursting crackers. In the midst of all these, teachers participated in the competition of making flower carpets and paper rangoli. Students enjoyed the opportunity to share sweets and greetings. The program ended with the National Anthem.



## The Growing up Grandmaster

TGWS proudly finds immense pleasure in sharing the achievement of Mithun from Grade 4, who participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tamilnadu State Level Children's Chess Tournament which was held at Annai Arul Public School, Madambakkam, Chennai on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023. He scored 6 points in 6 rounds and was placed first in the Under 10 category which confirmed his fighting spirit and passion for the game.



# Middle School Assembly

On 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023, the Middle School's English Assembly on the theme "Unity in Diversity" had an array of varied presentations. The assembly was hosted by two of our Grade -7 students, Ayana and Hashwindran. They presented the events exquisitely. The word for the day was read out by Kanishka, the Thought for the Day was from Samantha, and the Idiom was introduced by Deeksha. They're all from Grade 7. Starting with the Universal Prayer and meditation, the assembly moved onto an original poetry recitation by Hema, Sneha, and Harvi ( Grade 6 Alpha), and Sruthika, Vihann, and Karthikeyan (Grade 6-Beta). The theme was "Nature and Wildlife", which they expressed with their creativity, awareness, and ways to make nature and wildlife healthy, to safeguard it for a better world for us. Then, Thirukural and Kavithai were conducted by Ms. Gomathi (Tamil Facilitator) by calling out a few students from the entire gathering. Next, we had our Grade 7 students (Rishabh and Tarun) with the reading challenge of the original write-ups by them. The Teacher's Talk was on the theme "Manners, an Absolute Necessity" which was a mix of the importance of mannerisms, etiquette, life skills, and work habits in the life of a student, teacher, and every single human being, as that's what transforms us into civilized humans. This was hosted by Mr. Navan. N (English Facilitator). The assembly was taken forward by the Grade 8 students (Yashmita and Tarish from Grade 8 –Alpha... Darshini and Kumar Shivesh from Grade 8 –Beta), with their write-ups as poems and speeches based on our Indian freedom struggle as a tribute to our national heroes. The final highlight was a dance performance with the dancers diversely dressed up to be in tune with the theme "Unity in Diversity". The dancers were Yathik, Kunal, Hemesh and Sudarshan from Grade -7. The backend and presentation support was taken care of by Sunay, Harsh, and Monikrishna from Grade 7. The assembly concluded with our School Song and the National Anthem.



## CBSE - Grade 12

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas was observed at The GeeKay World School on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2023. Grade XII students organized the celebration to commemorate the birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who is also called the Iron Man of India. An array of activities were organized to support the theme of uniting people and striving towards the development of our Nation among students. A PPT sharing the life story of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was prepared by the students. A short video of the erection of the Statue of Unity, the Founder of Modern India was played. Students remembered a few of his quotes and spoke in length about his contribution in the Freedom Struggle. A Quiz Competition related to the life story of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was conducted by the students. It was a great tribute paid to the unwavering commitment of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel towards National Integration.



# Inter House Debate Competition

A debate is a discussion or structured contest about an issue or a resolution. A formal debate involves two sides: one supporting a resolution and one opposing it. Such a debate is bound by rules previously agreed upon. Debates may be judged to declare a winning side. Debates, in one form or another, are commonly used in democratic societies to explore and resolve issues and problems. In the Inter-House Debate Competition on "HERO WORSHIP AMONG STUDENTS" held on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov, Students of Grades 9 - 12 participated. The winners and runners are listed below..

WINNER- Earth House

RUNNER - Water House



# CBSE Honoured Awards

Central Board of Secondary Education Tiruvannamalai Vellore Sahodaya Schools Complex observed the 8th Teachers' Day and Children's Day celebration on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 in Shrishti Vidyashram, Vellore. Dr. Jayabharathi, Registrar VIT was the Chief Guest. School Students of Grades 10 and 12 who stood first in the CBSE Board Examination 2022-2023 were honoured with Awards and Certificates. Grade 10 Sabarish Viswanath Raja and Yogeshwar of Grade 12 were honoured with Awards and Certificates. TGWS which produced 100 percent results in X & XII Boards was also recognised in the function with mementoes and certificates.



# Leadership Activity

## Primary - II Language Recitation

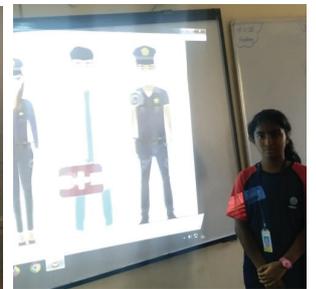
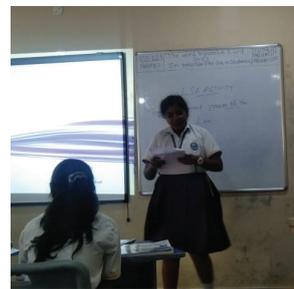
Leadership Activity for lower primary - "Puranakadhai kadhapathiram"- Tamil, "Pauranik kaal ki kathao kei patra"-Hindi, "Poem recitation" -Telugu was conducted on 10<sup>th</sup> November and for upper primary, the leadership activity - "Nan viduthalaiveeran"- Tamil, "Main swatantratasenaihoon"-Hindi, "Combattant de la liberté-French" was conducted on 9<sup>th</sup> November. Students dressed up and presented their speech like their favourite freedom fighter and the characters from epics for 2 to 3 minutes. Students' performance was judged based on their costume, presentation, dialogue delivery and expressions. Students enthusiastically participated and showed their oratory skills.



## Middle School - Improved Law

On 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, Middle School Domain conducted the LSA for the month. The theme for the month was "Upgrading or Abolishing an Existing Law". Students expressed their ideas and presented them as PowerPoint presentations, cards, and charts. Some of our students wanted the age to vote to be changed from 18 to 21, and some favoured the present law that states that an Indian citizen turns into an adult with all the rights, including the right to vote at the age of 18 as per the Constitution of India. A majority also opposed the taxes and believed that farmers should be given rebates on taxes, or should be provided the status of "Tax-Free".

Similar and varied ideas on the same ground emerged during the entire activity throughout the Middle School. This a great step towards inculcating 21st Century Skills like critical thinking and decision-making into our students.



# FIITJEE - Inter School Sports Competition

FIITJEE global school inter-school sports competition was held on 31<sup>st</sup> October and 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2023. Students of our school participated in the sports event and bagged many prizes.

S.NO	BADMINTON U19 GIRLS CATEGORY RUNNER UP
1	Vaarsha Suresh
2	Yuthika
3	Benaka Shree
4	Harshavardhini



S.NO	TENNIS U17 GIRLS CATEGORY RUNNER UP
1	Trinity Devi
2	Yuthika



## Tamil Teachers Workshop

Tamil Teachers Training for Grades 1 to 10 was conducted in Sri Chaitanya School, Sholinghur on 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023. This is an initiative towards the Government Order for Tamil as Second Language. The teachers were briefed about the New Text book and the Assessment techniques to be implemented for the students. Nearly 60 teachers in and around Ranipet and Vellore Districts participated. Mr. Kathiravan, Ms. Gomathi and Ms. Kalaikodi from TGWS participated in the workshop. The training session gave an insight on the teaching material, question paper pattern and assessment techniques.

## Assessment Primary

The Mid Year Examination for Grades 1 to 5 was scheduled from 20<sup>th</sup> November to 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2023. The portions for assessment were circulated along with the timetable. The school worked for half a day for the students from G1 to G8. Teachers gave revisions on their respective subjects before the exam began.

## Middle School

The Mid Year Exams for the session 2023-24 commenced on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November, 2023 and concluded on the 30<sup>th</sup>. The exams went on smoothly with the students putting in their best along with the facilitators giving their best of their support for the students to achieve academic excellence. The Middle School Facilitators also catered to the Remedial Students after the exam hours to provide them with revisions and additional reinforcements.

# CBSE

## Pre Board 1

The GeeKay World School believes that "preparation is the key to success". To equip the students with content knowledge, writing techniques and presentation skills, assessments are held for students in a planned manner.

Students are exposed to Board Papers and effective Time Management through Assessments.

Pre Board Examination 1 for Grades X and XII was held from 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2023. Pre Board Question Papers and Additional Question Papers issued by CBSE were shared among students to update the recent pattern of the assessment.

## Periodic Assessment 3

The Periodic Assessment 3 for Grades 9 and 11 was held from 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2023. The Periodic Assessments enable the students to read their lessons periodically and develop their interaction among teachers. The students get familiar with the Board Pattern of Question Paper and assessing techniques.

# IGCSE

## Mock 1 Exam

The Grade 10 IGCSE students underwent a comprehensive Mock 1 examination, commencing on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 and concluded on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. The assessment encompassed a rigorous evaluation of their knowledge across various subjects, mirroring the actual examination setup. This simulation aimed to familiarize students with exam conditions, enhancing their confidence and preparedness. Through this process, students gained invaluable insights into exam strategies, time management, and subject comprehension. The Mock 1 examination served as a pivotal milestone, providing a crucial opportunity for students to gauge their strengths and areas needing improvement, fostering a proactive approach towards achieving success in the upcoming IGCSE examinations.

## Cambridge Visit

On November 21, 2023, The Geekay World School welcomed the distinguished Cambridge Assessment International Education (CAIE) team. The day was characterized by impactful engagements, featuring discussions with school heads, teachers, and students. These interactions were geared towards improving academic and administrative practices, and the school received commendation for its teaching methodologies and innovative practices. This collaborative effort not only strengthened the bond between the institutions but also affirmed The Geekay World School's commitment to advancing education on multiple fronts.

# English Lab

“Language is not a genetic gift, it is a social gift”

The Geekay World School has taken a progressive step by introducing the English Language Lab for students from Grades 1 to 7 in the Academic Year 2023-2024, recognizing language as a social gift rather than a genetic one. This initiative transforms language learning by actively involving students in dynamic exercises, offering an alternative to traditional classrooms. The lab's primary objective is to enhance listening and speaking skills, providing students practical training in a simulated real-world environment. By focusing on precise pronunciation and imparting life skills through active listening, the lab contributes to improved communication and fosters trust among peers, leading to enhanced academic performance. This comprehensive approach aligns with the school's commitment to nurturing well-rounded individuals and preparing students for success in both academics and practical language applications.



## Student Article

### Running out of gravity

Running out of gravity  
 But I'm still walking  
 Aviating people  
 And I'm still thriving  
 The words you said fade  
 Just like you did  
 The books I read fluttering  
 As flocks of scarlet macaw  
 Trouble, sorrow, happiness.  
 All at once flee  
 Silence, clamour, harmony  
 All on a paper plane ride  
 People crossing fingers for me to go with them  
 For the first time, they'd wished I come up  
 Except for in your lies  
 the only word there spoken was the whispered word, "why?"  
 Why is everything over my head?  
 Because, after all, I was sinking  
 Epiphany: People are not that bad.

- Hasika Vinod  
G10 IGCSE



## DIVERSITIES OF INDIA

India is a beautiful country with a rich history and diverse culture. It is home to many languages, religions, traditions, and customs, making it one of the most diverse countries in the world. India's diversity results from its long and complex history, which has seen the rise and fall of many empires, kingdoms, and societies. India is home to over 1,600 languages, making it the most linguistically diverse country in the world. Hindi and English are the official languages, but there are many other regional languages spoken across the country, including Bengali, Tamil, Telugu, Punjabi, and Marathi. India's diversity results from its long and complex history, which has seen the rise and fall of many empires, kingdoms, and societies. One of the most striking features of India's diversity is its linguistic landscape. India is home to over 1,600 languages, making it the most linguistically diverse country in the world.

-Hemesh  
G7



## Teacher Talk

### THE ESSENCE OF LITERATURE

As C.S.Lewis said "Literature adds to reality, it does not simply describe it. It enriches the necessary competencies that daily life requires and provides; and in this respect, it irrigates the deserts that our lives have already become". True to these words Literature is the expression of oneself with the help of a language. Literature teaches us to view the world from different perspectives. It enables us to feel even the deepest things in life. Literature reacts and reflects upon our lives through words whether it could be poetry, prose, a novel, or a play. The person who partakes in all these would feel the essence of human life. In this sense, literature provides the attainment for the readers about the life experiences from the saddest to the most joyful things that one could feel. Literature enables our minds to see through the lenses of others. As a whole, literature serves as the product of art in the aesthetic truth of life.

-THIRUMAGAL K  
Primary School Facilitator



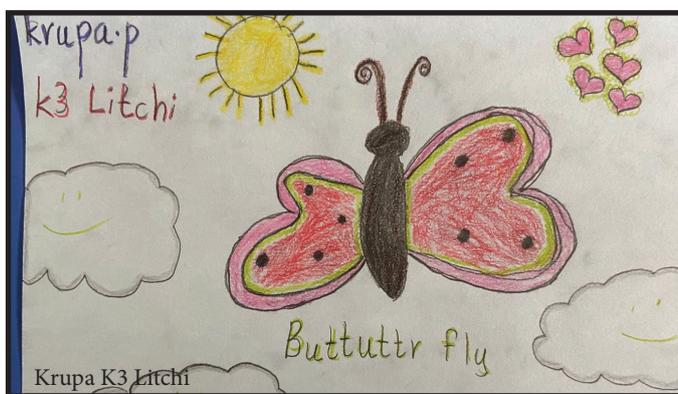
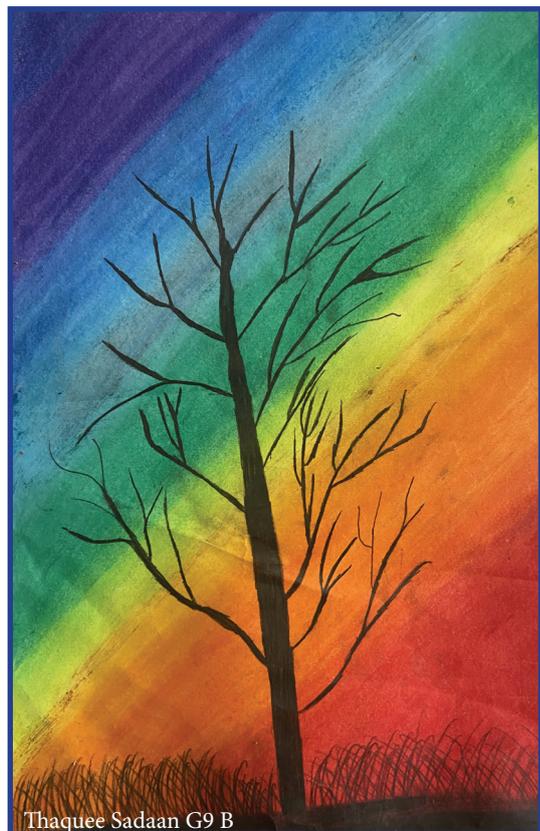
## Parent Talk

It was a pleasant surprise for me when I received Dharun's exam results from TGWS. He has improved drastically in academics and extracurriculars, thanks to the teachers and the facilities that the school has provided. Teachers are well-trained in their field of expertise and give attention to all students to ensure that the students do their best. The facilities like labs help in-depth learning to understand the topics better. The hostel has a great environment for learning and self-improvement where students can focus and concentrate on their studies with fewer distractions. The extra-curricular activities such as football, give him experience in team building.

-Dr. Sundramurthy Kumar  
F/o Dharun Balaaji Grade 10 IGCSE



# Art Corner



# Monthly planner

## December 2023

DATE	DAY	EVENT
1	Friday	Colour of the month - Red for Pre-Primary PTM for G9 to G12 CAIE PTM for UT-3
2	Saturday	Winter Fest 2023
5	Tuesday	LSA- ELF Yourself (G6 - G8)
6	Wednesday	Mock-2 begins for Grade 10 to A level. Indoor Activity for Pre-Primary K1- Animal walk K2- How do I travel K3- Making farm corner
11	Monday	Little act of Kindness week begins for Pre-Primary
12	Tuesday	Resource Person K1- Animals K2 – Transport K3 – Animals
14	Thursday	Field Trip – Visit to Amirthi Forest for K3 Inter House Competition – Secondary (Book Review)
15	Friday	Little act of Kindness week ends for Pre-Primary Field Trip Visit to Railway Station for K2 Book Fair
16	Saturday	PTM for (G1-G8) HPTM for Pre-Primary
18	Monday	Pre Board Examination 2 begins for G12 CBSE Evaluation 2 begins for Pre-Primary Twins Day Celebration for Pre-Primary Life through leadership activity -Ramp with scrap begins (G1-G3) Bottle Art begins (G4&G5)
19	Tuesday	Pre Board Examination 2 begins for G10 CBSE Periodic Assessment 4 begins for G9 & G11 CBSE
20	Wednesday	Special Activity Making Christmas Decoration for Pre-Primary
21	Thursday	Evaluation 2 ends for Pre-Primary
22	Friday	Life through leadership activity -Ramp with scrap ends (G1-G3) Bottle Art ends (G4&G5)
23	Saturday	Mock-2 ends for Grade 10 to A level. Winter Break Begins Alumni Meet
25	Monday	Christmas
28	Thursday	Pre Board Examination 2 ends for G10 & G12 CBSE Periodic Assessment 4 ends for G9 & G11 CBSE