Springdays Odyssey

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Word of the month

TENACIOUS

VERY DETERMINED; NOT GIVING UP EASILY.

NEWS AND VIEWS

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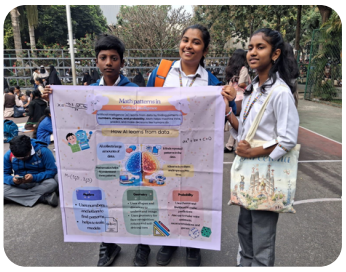
PONGAL CELEBRATION - JANUARY 7

The Pongal celebration in our school was joyful and meaningful. We began the program with the Tamil Thai Vazhthu, which created a respectful and traditional atmosphere. This was followed by a beautiful welcome dance performed by the Grade 7 and 8 girls. Next, the Grade 7 and 8 girls sang a traditional song that added cultural value to the celebration. After that, the Grade 7, 8, and 9 boys presented a lively Villupattu, which entertained everyone and conveyed traditional messages. The program continued with traditional dances like Karagattam and Kummi performed by the Grade 7 and 8 girls, which brought great energy and happiness to the audience. A meaningful skit based on the values of “Matha, Pitha, Guru, Dhaivam” was then performed, teaching us the importance of respecting parents, teachers, and elders. The celebration came to an end with a vote of thanks given by a Grade 10 student and an inspiring speech by our respected principal. We were also served sweet Pongal, which we enjoyed a lot. Through this celebration, we learned about the importance of Pongal, why it is celebrated, and its cultural significance. We also improved our teamwork, collaboration, communication, and public speaking skills. Our confidence and courage increased as well. We sincerely thank all the in-charge teachers and students for making this Pongal celebration memorable.

JITHISH RANJITH KUMAR [AS Level]

VIT MATH - JANUARY 24

We went to VIT University to attend the VIT Mathematical Meet (VITMM). It was a great learning experience for all of us. Our school participated in different events, and we were divided into several groups. We had two groups for the poster presentation, one group for the math quiz, one group for the model presentation, and one group for the talent exam. When we entered the university, we first registered our school at the registration desk and then went to our respective venues to attend the competitions. There were many schools from different places participating in the meet, which made the event very exciting and competitive. Our poster and model teams explained their topics clearly to the judges and answered their questions confidently. The students who participated in the math quiz and talent exam also performed well and tried their best. We also got a chance to explore many creative posters and innovative models made by other schools, and we took them as inspiration to improve and perform better in the future. Overall, this visit helped us improve our teamwork, collaboration, and communication skills. It also boosted our confidence and motivated us to participate in more such events in the future.



Kanishka Reddy [Grade 8]

CLASS ASSEMBLY by grades 6 and 7

The Grade 6 and7 students conducted a meaningful morning assembly on the topic Education. The program began with the school prayer, which created a calm and positive atmosphere. This was followed by the Thought for the Day, which inspired everyone to think about the value of learning. Next, the students clearly explained why education is important in shaping our future and helping us become responsible citizens. They spoke confidently and shared thoughtful points that highlighted the power of knowledge. The assembly also included a well-organized news session, covering local, national, international, and Springdays news, which kept the audience informed and updated. The smooth coordination and clear presentation made the program engaging and informative. Later, the coordinator addressed the gathering and appreciated the efforts of the students. This was followed by a useful and motivating message from our respected principal, which added great value to the assembly. Overall, the Grade 6 and 7 students presented the assembly with confidence, clarity, and enthusiasm. They portrayed the message of education in the right way and left a lasting impression on both students and teachers. The assembly was truly informative, inspiring, and well-executed.

Kanishka Reddy [Grade 8]

JAMBOREE 26 – ENDURA – THE CHANGE MAKERS

Jamboree 2026 was nothing short of a stellar experience for me. It was my first time being part of Jamboree, and frankly I enjoyed being part of Team Endura. I was one of the Rivers, and Team River was a curious, bubbly, and close-knit team. In fact, we were all a close-knit team. The narration was spot-on. The elements, including the wastes, nailed it on stage, with vigor and grace. Of course, we cannot forget the students who displayed their raw, natural theater skills that set the stage alive and relatable. Endura shared a simple yet beautiful message, in a simple yet colorful way. A very big shoutout to every teacher and student-volunteer involved in the play, the drafting of the script, the practice sessions, the preparation of the props and costumes, and the make-up!The stellar reason Endura was a magical play is because of the props. Our school's teachers and students began working on this from Day One. The props are meticulously impressive and extremely realistic, which is a fantastic reflection of SIS's creativity.

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The rocks that were adorned for the SOILS were made from waste paper balls, painted in earthy shades. The EARTH's haloes were reused cardboard. The RIVER's aquatic life was glittered by hand. The trash used by the STUDENTS, as well as the stunning outfits of our three WASTES were the result of timely contribution by our students and the artistry of our staff.

Not to mention that the students and staff worked tirelessly for the life-like globe, the mountain and the rocks. No words can express the gratitude to every staff and student volunteer who helped to design, fix, and paint these props. We, nevertheless, had fun in creating these!

This was my last jamboree and it became the best one for me. Being the sole narrator was a valuable experience that helped improve my confidence and communication skills. It also made me more interactive with students during practice sessions. Narrating the skit Edura, which focused on nature and sustainability, made the experience even more meaningful. This jamboree gave me memories and learning that I will always remember.

SHAANVHI NAREN [AS Level]

As an audience member, watching our school's production of Endura, a play promoting sustainability, evolve from its initial writing stages, first rehearsals, set making, and finally to being performed on stage on the big day was an exciting experience. Every intricacy checked on during practice– from the actors' mannerisms and tone, the appearance of each set piece, the design of every costume, the choreography for each song, to the dynamic background video– each detail contributed to the incredibly enjoyable and inspiring viewing experience. The precious efforts of every cast and staff member truly shone through the performance, making it a raging success. The audience left that day feeling gratified and ready to make a change. Every person involved in bringing the production to life deserves a roaring round of applause.

HARSHITA JAMES [AS Level]

TEACHER'S MESSAGE

"Learning Beyond the Classroom"

Education is not confined to textbooks, exams, or grades—it is a lifelong journey of curiosity, discovery, and growth. Every day offers us a chance to learn something new: a skill, a perspective, or even a lesson from failure.

As students, you are not just preparing for careers you are preparing for life. The world outside is changing faster than ever, and the most valuable qualities you can cultivate are adaptability, empathy, and creativity. Knowledge gives you power, but wisdom gives you purpose.

So, ask questions fearlessly, challenge ideas respectfully, and embrace mistakes as stepping stones. Let your learning extend beyond the classroom walls—into conversations, experiences, and acts of kindness.

Ms. Sujatha

French Educator