

A large graphic of a bugle is the central focus. The bugle is yellow and red, with its horn pointing to the right. From the horn, several red musical notes are flying out. The background is dark brown with swirling, concentric lines that create a sense of depth and movement. The text 'San BUGLE' is written in a large, bold, red font, with 'San' in a serif font and 'BUGLE' in a sans-serif font. Below 'San' is the phrase 'Happy to blow our own' in a smaller, white, sans-serif font.

San BUGLE

Happy to blow our own

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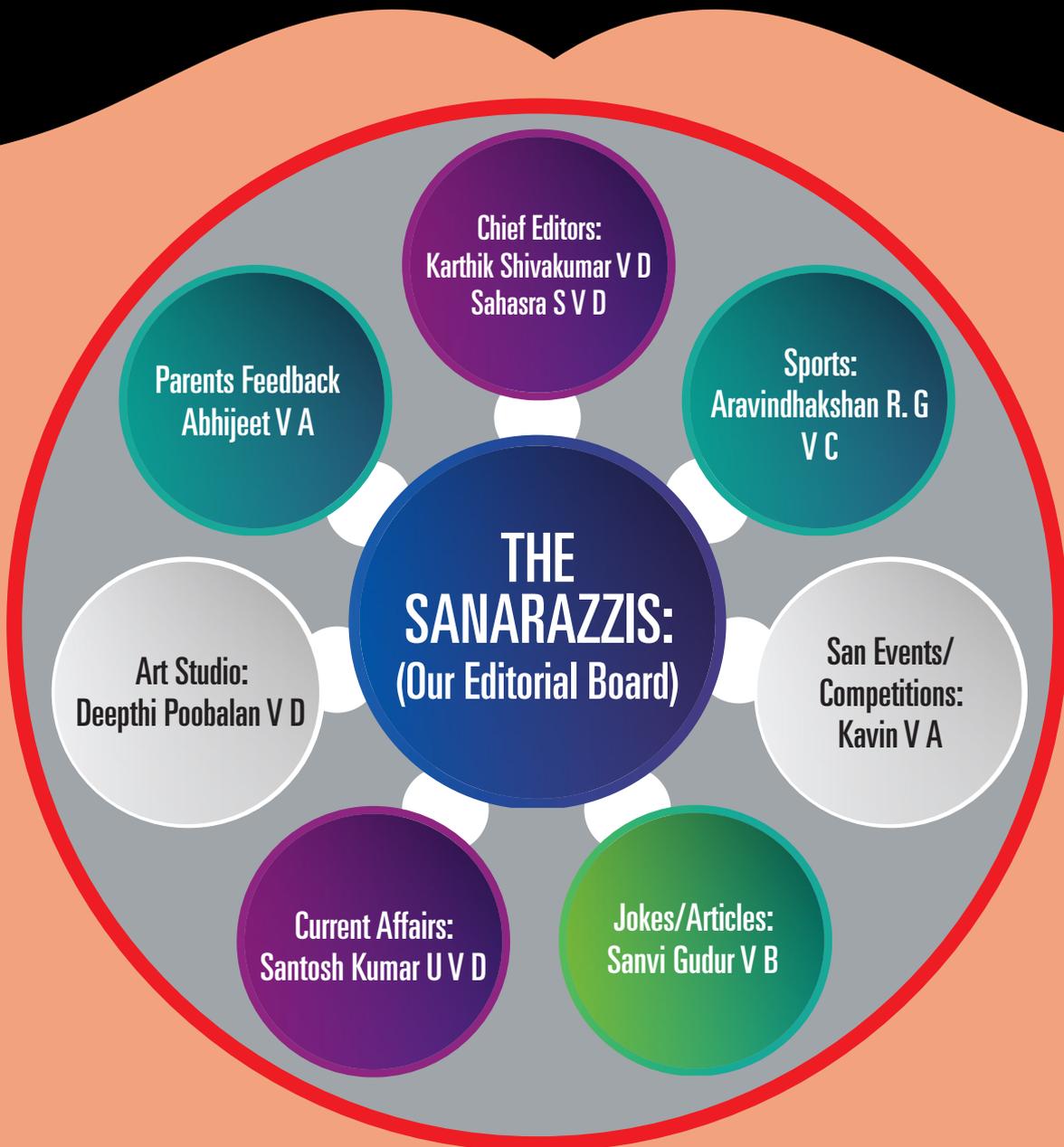


The only thing worse than being blind is having sight but no vision.

— Helen Keller —

AZ QUOTES

American educator Helen Adams Keller (birthday: June 27th) overcame the adversity of being blind and deaf to become one of the 20th century's leading humanitarians, as well as co-founder of the ACLU. – *American Civil Liberties Union.*



From CH's Desk ...

A. Padmapriya

Symbol of Life – WATER

"If there is magic on this planet, it is contained in water".

Water – The driving force of all nature, the elixir of eternal youth and beauty, the first and foremost medicine of the world....words just seem to incessantly flow in to illustrate just as the basal nature of this 'ambrosia on earth' called 'water'.

Water in nature has the power of bequeathing life by itself. Originating from the evolution of Earth through the Big Bang theory to the current changes, all owe their genesis to 'water'. There by it is considered as the miraculous gift of nature.

At a deeper sense water is analysed to possess physical, chemical, spiritual and ethical values. All the above aspects ignites production of life.

In every civilization that has flourished water has played a significant role. Be it Aryan, Harappan or Egyptian civilization rivers have played a vital role in the burgeoning and prosperity of their respective settlements. River Nile was considered to be the placental cord of human survival during the golden era of the pharaohs. Water at its physical form travels from one material to another connecting and depositing different energy levels that it holds. It heals the planet and the cosmos. Thus striking a balance and bringing about a pure and placid expression of peace and accord among all living beings.

Water connects the mountains with valleys, planets with animals by sharing products and its byproducts. It always emphasises the natural phenomenon of interdependence.

On the surface, water can be seen as food; a means of transport, a ground for recreation, an element of cleansing, purification and so on. It plays a vital role in initiation of any cultural ceremony. But in its deeper sense it is a sacred being that has memory. A seed in soil germinates to initiate its life with water. Homeopathy medicine believes that water has memory. Even though it is a pseudoscience, it is believed to heal diseases, Most of religions present in our country like Hinduism, Christianity or Islamic considers it to be holy and spiritual.

River Ganga (in past) was considered to be at its purest form that could heal all diseases. The water in Lake Manasarovar – Himalayas, many natural springs in Hungary and Zum Zum water in Mecca are believed to have natural healing properties.

When civilization got refined through centuries, peoples' attitude and right to water as a natural resource has changed. Nearly all living beings possess large amount of water in their body and the atmosphere space too contains water vapour. Therefore it is natural to assume that water is a reconnecting element between our materialistic life and the spiritual world. Man cannot co- create the phenomenon of nature. So water should be carefully studied and handled. It should be treated with respect and dignity. Man should avoid being greedy and encroaching the water grounds to make money. Our developmental policies which portray water as a commodity of trade and tax to enrich some individuals should be changed. Water is a right for all; nature provides it freely in the form of abundant rains. Government should raise the external sources to enhance free distribution to all. Citizens should also engage in proper management and usage of water.

Industrial developments have always been a cause for the toxicity of water. Deforestation and land encroachment has lead to seasonal changes. Our society is now slowly transforming into a self centered and isolated community where the value of respect to nature and environment is ignored and least bothered.

Let's awaken the silent energies of the planet in a united manner to live in harmony with nature. We should reconnect ourselves to this ever evolving beautiful nature that encompasses all around us and embraces us as a mother. We need to realise that it is an interconnected web of life amalgamated with our earth's beautiful ecosystem. We need to awaken and open our eyes to a solid resolve to safeguard, shield and protect this resource in a sustainable manner.

We humans began our life on this planet amidst water in the womb and finally end it when our ashes are immersed in the holy waters of this sacred land. Water witnesses our inception and demise. It stands testimony to every action made by us either good or bad, yet keeps offering us more and breathes life into us. Selfless and altruistic as ever, the manna on earth called 'water'.

"The day and night, sun and moon, air and water – I do not have to purchase these things with money" – Plautus.

COLOUR

Party Day

Date: 9/4/19

The children participated in the colour party day with great fun and enthusiasm. They spent the day with utmost enjoyment playing various activities based on different colours.





CLEANLINESS DRIVE IN THE CAMPUS

Date: 10/4/19

The event started with a puppet show based on personal hygiene followed by a fun hands-on-activity about waste management. They learnt the importance of waste management by segregating the waste. They also had an interaction session with a resource person from "WOW". The team from NGO discussed the importance of plants and trees and also motivated the children to plant a seed on their birthday.



GE Jr.KG



GE Sr.KG



Tamil New Year



INVESTITURE CEREMONY (2019-2020)

A solemn investiture ceremony was held on the morning of 14.6.2019 at our school premises. A memorable day for the elected office bearers who took their formal oath as leaders in front of the faculty, management and students. The investiture ceremony at San Academy is a great occasion and a platform for budding leaders of tomorrow.



INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

Yoga is an invaluable gift of India's ancient tradition. It embodies unity of mind and body.

International Yoga Day was celebrated by our students and teachers amidst much pomp and gaiety at our Velachery campus. Students observed this day with great enthusiasm and

fervor. Students of class IV & V demonstrated various asanas followed by speeches on their significance and benefits. The occasion was presided over by Mrs. Chidambara Lakshmi who is a renowned Yoga enthusiast and music teacher. She reckoned many benefits of early rising and practicing yoga.



DAKSHAN BHARAT HINDI PRACHAR SABHA YEARLY QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS

Dakshan Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha conducted the Parichay, Prathmic and Madhyama Examinations on 3rd feb'19, 28 students of San Academy, Velachery appeared for the exam and successfully passed the exam. The students were tutored by Mrs. Jayanthi to compete and complete the respective course successfully.

Parichaya Jan'19

1. Dhanu sri
2. Dhivya Darshini
3. Karthik Shivakumar

Prathemic - feb'19

1. Ashritha Borappu Reddy
2. Abinav
3. Haasini
4. Mohamed Ashfaq
5. Joshitha Meenakshi

6. Neshan
7. Meenakshi sundari
8. Srinisha.R
9. Erisity Prahnan
10. Vidhusha

Madhyama

1. Sri Aruna Bharathi
2. Bhavana
3. Dheeksha
4. Harshitha

5. Mariyam Fathima
6. Sree sinduja
7. Mathivadani
8. Pranav Marella
9. Snega Ponda
10. Vasantha Raghavi
11. Sabreeswar
12. Varshietha
13. Ravipudi Sahithi Priya
14. Yashvitha
15. Ishaan



World Music Day

The World Music Day was celebrated on 21st June at our Velachery campus. This day brought in immense delight and joy to the minds of children as they rendered numerous performances much to the elation of all present. Teachers too joined in the festivities as they sang many heart-warming numbers and added more fervor to the occasion.



Celebrating the *Tamil New Year*

The first celebration of the new academic year started with a big bang on the morning of 13.04.2018. colourfully attired kids, stunningly bedecked stage and the festive air that had engulfed the audience added fervor and joy to the milieu inside the campus. Children presented a wonderful array of programmes, one after the other that had the audience totally engrossed and spellbound. Melodious music, brilliantly choreographed folk dance numbers, thought-provoking speeches and novel ramp-walks presented by the kids in all vigour and energy added more finesse and elegance to the entire show.



SAN - The thriving house of kinder legacies

Harshavardni.G.S of Class V (2018-19) - a very responsible, motivated, and passionate student. She comes to school with a smile, with an excitement for learning, and a dedication for going above and beyond. She pays close attention to details and makes sure that her daily work is accurate and of the utmost quality. Harshavardni is a model student who sets a positive example for her peers and had received the graduation for completion of all Kyus (10th to 1st) and Mastering the Soroban (Abacus) and Anzan (Mental) arithmetic calculations at this young age.



STATE KARATE COMPETITION

DATE: 21-04-2019

VENUE: Velaankanni Matric School
Ashok Nagar, Chennai



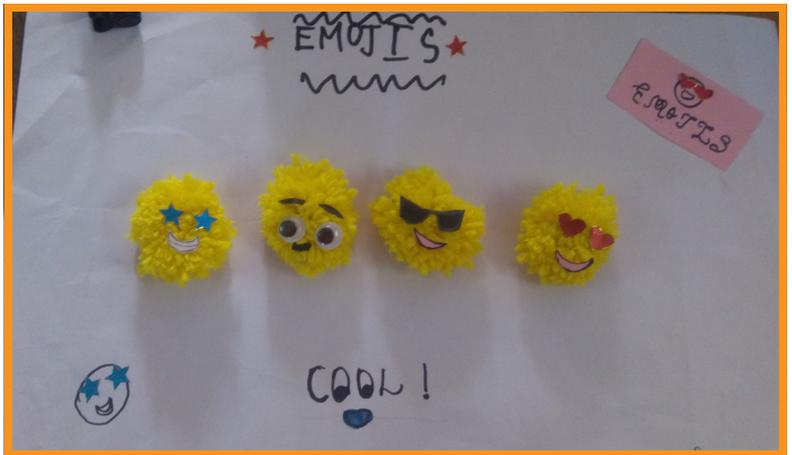
S.NO	Name of the student	Class/Sec	Position	
			Kata	Kumite
1	Haasini.R	IV A	II	NIL
2	A.Sugishka	IVC	III	II
3	R.Harshitha	IVD	III	II
4	S.Yuvan Shankar Prabhu.S	VA	NIL	II
5	Harishh Piranov.M	VB	III	NIL
6	Raghav Anand	VB	II	III
7	D.Gautham	VC	I	III
8	S.Divya Dharshini	VC	NIL	III
9	Sham Priyan .A	VC	II	III
10	Samyuktha Shankar	VC	I	NIL
11	K.Abinaya	VD	II	NIL
12	M.R.Harish	VD	NIL	NIL
13	Kavya Rakshitha	VD	III	NIL
14	B.Thamizh	VD	III	I



Celebrating a decade of Success ...

GC Competition - Primary





CLUB *Activities*

CREATIVE CLUB - CLASS 3



HERITAGE CLUB - IV C & IV D



KARUNA CLUB - 3C & 3D



LITERARY CLUB - VA & VB



HOBBY CLUB - VA & VB



SPORTS CLUB - IV A & IV B



PHILATELY CLUB



Besides Academics, I'm a theatre artist. In a month, I perform the role of a student for 15 days and the remaining half I don the mettle of a theatre artist. This is my routine for the past two years. So I would say, everyday is a challenge for me to juggle between diverse roles and tasks.

It is fun to rehearse my dialogues, go for costume trial sessions, attend rehearsals like how I enjoy my math tables, science equations, formulas etc. I have seen my peer group go on vacations, but going for events & concerts itself is a vacation for me.

I had been to Durban & Johannesburg, SA to perform for my fans. I enjoyed myself to the utmost when I met my fans & felt happy to have fan families abroad. Later, I visited Dubai & Malaysia to perform as I had gained many fans there and welcomed me with all their hearts.

In my journey, I possess passion towards both i.e being an artist as well as being a student. A day would start with an exam test paper & would end with an interview. I am happy to perform this dual role in real life.

Thanks to my parents, San academy, Principal, Teachers & students for their extended support. They are the backbone for what I'm now.



FATHER'S DAY SPECIAL FEATURE

My Father is my hero, superman and leader. He motivates me and keeps me going. He has taught me to accept failures as a part of my journey towards success. I have not seen him discouraging anyone or demotivating. He is full of positive energy. I would like to continue on the same path of values as his.

My father has obtained the best of the education and I am proud of him. He tells us how to study, how to respect others, how to be a good student for life. His talks are always full of inspirations and motivations. If we are sick, he stumbles and keeps worrying till we are fit again. He tries his best to see us cheerful.

My father always puts his one hundred percent effort for us. I recollect from my earlier days like sports day, annual day, he used to get excited as though it is he participating. If we win on that day he would pamper us a lot and if we don't win he would console us and motivate us to do better. It is his presence in the audience that would make me to put in my best efforts and I would be determined to bring a smile on



his face with my efforts and successes. We celebrate every small occasion to the fullest. He is a complete family man and has taught us the values, importance of our culture and traditions as well.

Thanks a lot Dad, for everything that you have given to me. It means a lot to me and I will try my best to make you happy....always.

- Sanvi Gudur, V "B"

MY VISIT TO VGP MARINE KINGDOM

During the summer vacation, I had gone to the VGP Marine Kingdom with my family. It is the newly opened underwater world in Chennai, next to the VGP Snow World. This is also India's first underwater marine world. The cost of an individual ticket is Rs. 500 which is very much affordable to explore this amazing and beautiful underwater spectacle. There is no time limit to explore this place. The visitors are allowed to enjoy this wonderful underwater world till they are satisfied.

As soon as I entered the underwater world, I got a feel of being in some foreign land. I saw varieties of fish, which were very colourful as well as in different sizes. I also saw sharks, sting rays, star fish, etc. Some fish were transparent looking, some seemed to be emitting lights. I cannot express my experience in words but one need to go and visit this place to enjoy this mind-blowing and attractive tourist attraction.

It is a dream for most of us to visit tourist attractions like these in Dubai, Singapore etc. which would cost a lot of money. Now, luckily for us a similar one has sprung up in our very own Chennai. Thanks to VGP.



- Mariam Fatima, IV "B"

10 BEST ICONIC STREET FOOD JOINTS IN CHENNAI

From authentic South Indian to spicy Burmese delicacies, Chennai's street food cart serves it all. Hop on a food trail and binge on these mouth-watering dishes made in some of the most inconspicuous places in the city.

BOMBAY LASSI ★★★★★

Tucked away in a narrow alley, this joint is one of the most famous places in the city that makes piping hot samosas. Located right behind Devi theater, this place also has thick lassi, jalebi, rabdi, and kachodi. Bombay Lassi is more of a stall with no place to sit, but people from all over the city throng here to bite into some delicious samosas.

Address:

No: 7, Barbaragan Street, Ellis Road, Near Mount Road, Behind Devi Theatre, Triplicane, Chennai



ANMOL MOHIT LASSI ★★★★★

Though a small stall located in the busy streets of George Town, Anmol Mohit Lassi has a fervent customer base in the city. The kher lassi served here is unlike any other and is the perfect thirst quencher on a hot, humid day.

Address:

#343, South Mint Street, Elephant Gate, George Town, Elephant Gate, George Town, Chennai.

ALSA MALL BREAD OMELET ★★★★★

This again is a small stall right outside Alsa Mall on Egmore. But the sandwiches served here are a favorite among the city folks. This street food is an absolute joy to bite on, no matter the weather. Be it a hot day, sunny day, or a rainy evening, the bread omelet with the special green chutney served here will surely leave you wanting more. Also try their other sandwiches like the chili cheese toast or the grilled sandwich.

Address:

Alsa Mall, Montieth Rd, Egmore, Chennai.



LINKS PURASAWALKKAM ★★★★★

This street food has its roots in Chennai. Though served in different places across the city, the joint in Purasawalkkam was the first to introduce it to the city. Slices of tomato, cucumber, and onion are stacked one above the other between two small murukku pieces spread with green chutney. A generous grating of cheese is added on top and sprinkled with sev. Pop in a whole piece and experience your taste buds explode.

Address:

Arihant Apartment, 22/4, Opposite Dharma Prakash, Raja Annamalai Rd, Purasawalkkam, Chennai.

JANNALKADAI ★★★★★

Jannal in Tamil means window. This modest place is literally just one window. Located on the narrow lane leading to Kapaleswarar temple, this literal hole-in-the-wall has been around for decades. Famed for its bajjis and bondas, this place operates for limited hours and is packed whenever it's open. In addition to the food, you'll be amazed just to watch how this place works.

Address:

12, 1, Ponnambala Vadhyar St, Vinayaka Nagar Colony, Mylapore, Chennai





SECOND LANE BEACH ROAD ★★★★★

Burma Bazar got its name from the number of immigrant populations that moved to the city several decades ago from Burma, now Myanmar. A little away from Burma Bazar is the 2nd lane beach road and on it are several street food stalls selling yummy Burmese food. Try the Athouk, a very popular Burmese salad with an option of boiled eggs and wash it down with Mohinga, a traditional Burmese soup.

Address:

2nd Ln Beach Rd, Mannady, George Town, Chennai

KAKADA RAM PRASAD ★★★★★

This place has some of the most extravagant sweets and mouth-watering chaats on display. Their badam milk is the top pick and a favorite among the locals. The place also serves other snacks and Gujarati food items.

Address:

348/343, Mint Street, Sowcarpet, Nr Jain Temple, Elephant Gate, George Town, Chennai.



KAALATHI NEWS MART ★★★★★

This iconic hole-in-the-wall kind of place serves the best rose milk in the city. On a hot summer day, here's where you'll want to head to cool off with a glass of cold rose milk that smells and tastes great. There's always a great line outside this shop that is a kind of a landmark in the city.

Address:

27, S Mada St, Mylapore, Vinayaka Nagar Colony, Mylapore, Chennai

SUNDAL, MARINA / ELLIOTS BEACH ★★★★★

If you happen to visit the Gorgeous Marina Beach, you cannot miss innumerable vendors selling this snack on the move. They carry a steel vessel with a handle and paper cones. Your visit to the beach is incomplete without indulging in this Thenga Maanga Pattani Sundal. The name of this tangy healthy snack given by the street vendors of the beach.

Address:

Marina beach



ADYAR BAJJI SHOP ★★★★★

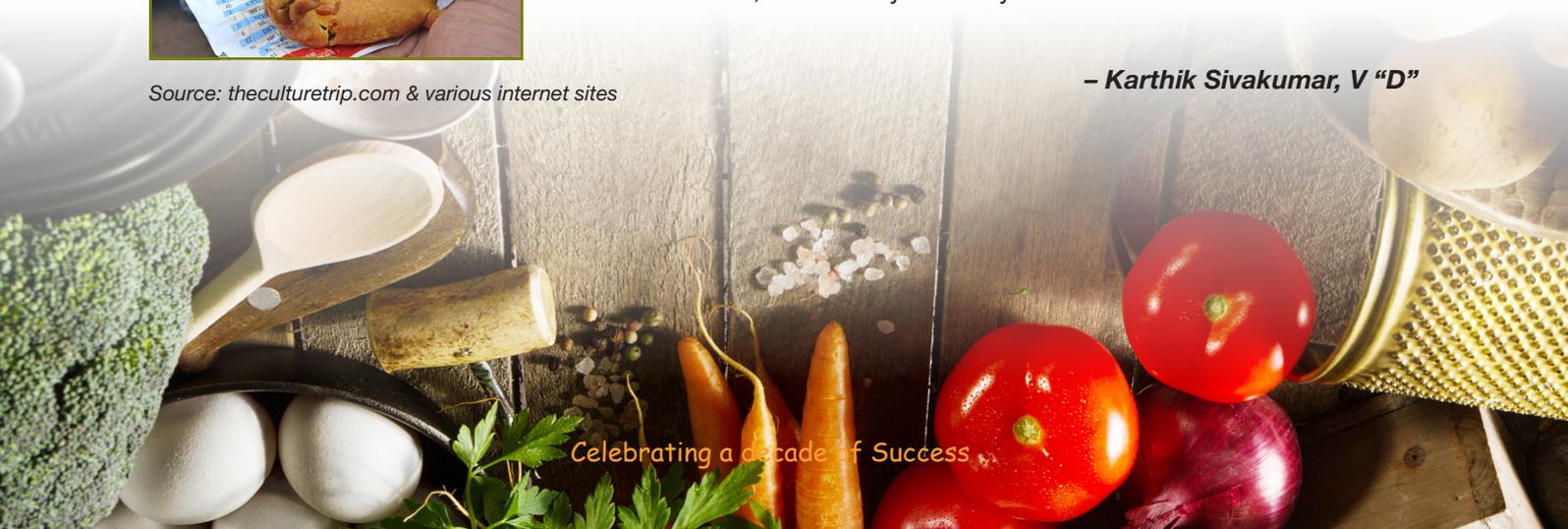
The Bajji shop, which is located in a narrow lane near Adyar Bakery on Sardar Patel Road in Adyar has been giving Chennaiites the best bajji experience for over 10 years now! This popular but tiny stall sees people flock there for their delicious bajjis, especially in the evening

Address:

Sardar Patel Raod, next to Adyar bakery

Source: theculturetrip.com & various internet sites

– **Karthik Sivakumar, V "D"**



IPL & Family Bonding



IPL & Family

- ▶ IPL is the game which showcases the unity in the team with players from different countries which is very similar to the bonding between people of different ages, difference in opinion to unite as a family



It's a Boon

- ▶ The IPL may have been a boon for cricket, but it also has been a boon for Indian families in a lot of ways.
- ▶ IPL has brought the family members together.
- ▶ This shorter version of the game has been a very good time-pass.



Vacations

- ▶ Scheduled mostly in the summer vacations, it has been the cheapest option for most of the parents who think how to enjoy the vacation with kids
- ▶ It's a fun to watch our home team play wearing the team's jersey
- ▶ Most of the resorts during this season has big screens reserved for IPL and it's a fun to watch along with the crowd which gives a stadium feel



No Age Bar

- ▶ The only TV show/program that brings in Grand father, Father and Son together
- ▶ The only "thing" which has been the talk of the town across all ages.
- ▶ At times fathers take a day off from work to be with the kids to watch their home team play



– Thamizh B V "D"

Did you know?

 **Did you know?**

 and  can see what is behind them without turning their heads

Do you know that there is no expiry date for 

 have unique names, just like us so what could be their language.....?

 have more than half of the bones in human body

 Cannot walk backwards

Have you ever put an  into the water, it floats because apples are made up of 25% of water

Goosy Security  are used as security guards in prison in Brazil

 You cannot inhale and talk. When you speak you will not be able to inhale. Give it a Try....!

 has the ability to identify and differentiate over 10 million colours

4 is the only number which has the same number of alphabets/letters

 **Thank You**

- Anusha. B, IV "B"

Jokes

Teacher: Rohit, tell me who took the first step on the moon?
 Rohit: Neil Armstrong.
 Teacher: Very nice and who took the second?
 Rohit: Its Neil Armstrong again.
 Teacher: But how?
 Rohit: Madam, it's because he had two legs.
 Teacher (angry):

 Tintu: Veenu, can you tell me which is the longest word in the dictionary?
 Veenu: It is `Smiles`.

Tintu: How come?
 Veenu: If you take out the first letter `S`, you will read it as `Miles`.
 Tintu (Surprised):

 Raju traveling to Bombay for the first time in an aeroplane
 While landing, he shouted:
"Bombay-Bombay"
 Air Hostess: **"B-Silent Please"**
 Raju shouted again: **"Ombay - Ombay"**

- Sanvi Gudur V "B"

Celebrating a decade of Success ...



WATER-BODIES ARE LIFELINES FOR HUMAN BEINGS

I happened to visit a river in the kanyakumari district. The river is called Kutriyar. It starts in the peak called Kodayar. It is about 1500 meters from the sea level. We travelled in a car through rubber estates. We also had to take permission from the forest department before entering into the forest area. We travelled around 35kms in the forest to reach the spot. Once I reached the place, it was a pleasant surprise for me. We were looking for river streams which were almost dry due to the summer. But to our surprise, this place was heavenly. The water was very clean and clear to the extent that I was able to count the pebbles under the water. The water was very cold like ice water and I could not believe that I was experiencing this in the summer. It is one of the rivers that originate in the Western Ghats. Below is the picture of the river, seeing this I

am sure everyone of us would like to visit this place at least once.

After enjoying the nature and its beauty for almost for a day, we started back to our home. I reluctantly got into the car but I was keen to follow the path of the river down the hill till it reached the nearby villages. After travelling for about an hour, I kept following the path and at one point, I was shocked to see the intensity of the pollution that the river had caught up through its way down. The water was smelling bad and the colour changed to brownish black tinge. When I asked about this to my uncle, he said it is all because of poor management of waste disposition by humans. In a short stretch of 40-50 km I could see the river getting polluted to the core. This is one of the examples of water pollution that I did watch and it has impacted me. As a part of the younger and



responsible human generation, we should start taking steps to create awareness and understand the impact so that we can act upon it. Water pollution is a terrible phenomenon. One of the reasons for the water crisis situation that we are going through right now in Chennai is also because of loss of water-bodies. We have started to dump all wastes in lakes and water-bodies have vanished. Please start saving water-bodies. I have taken my first step through this write up. Let's join together!!!

– S. Rakshita, V 'D'

WHITE REVOLUTION IN INDIA

White Revolution is associated with a sharp increase in the milk production. The White Revolution in India, also known as Operation Flood was launched in 1970s to make India self dependent in milk production. Dr Verghese Kurien is known as the father of the White Revolution in India

India is the largest milk producing country in the world. It produced 146.31 million tonnes of milk



in 2014-15. India has low Milk productivity as compared to western countries; still it tops the list of largest milk producing country in the world because of the larger number of cattle in the country. Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh, Punjab and Haryana are the major milk producing states in India. India is also the largest producer of buffalo milk in the world.

History: During the 1964-65, Intensive Cattle Development Programme (ICDP) was introduced in the country in which a package of improved animal husbandry was given to cattle owners for promoting the white revolution in the country. Later on to increase the speed of the white revolution, a new programme named "Operation Flood" was introduced



in the country by the National Dairy Development Board

To conclude, it can be said that this operation was launched to help farmers to ensure their own development, placing control of the resources they created by their own hands. All this was achieved not merely by mass production, but by production by the masses.

THANK YOU

– Abhijeet. P.S, V "A"

HOW JET ENGINES WORK AND ITS PARTS

Hi I am Shakthivel of class V D and I am interested in aerospace stuff. I am sharing little facts about how a jet engine works?

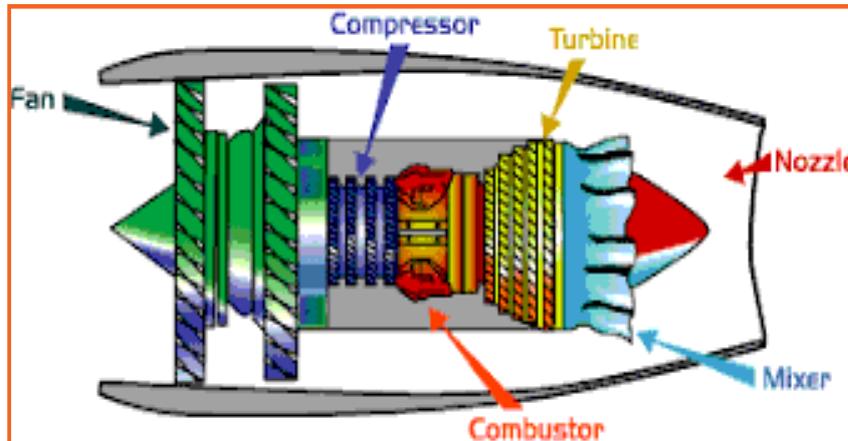
The jet engine works by electrical, mechanical, chemical and air energy. Let's see how these are combined and used to fly the jet engines.

The fan in the jet engine starts slowly and spins at high a speed to intake the air. The compressor squeezes the air. The compressed air is then sprayed with fuel and an electric spark lights the mixture. The burning gases expand and blast out through the nozzle, at the back of the engine. As the jets of gas shoot backward, the engine and the aircraft are thrust forward.

The parts of the jet engine are as follows:

- SHOVEL BLADES
- COMPRESSOR
- TURBINES
- MIXER
- NOZZLE

The works of these above parts are as follows:



SHOVEL BLADES: This part has a set of blades which spins very fast due to electrical and wind energy. As it spins in a fast motion the air becomes even more speed than normal.

COMPRESSOR: This part is located in the *shaft. It compresses the air which comes from the shovel blades and releases in a harsh and fast manner .Which makes the air even more little faster than the normal speed which comes from the blades.

TURBINES: This part also has a set of blades and located in the

shaft. This part has many blades in an order like small too big. It also spins fast and because of the order it makes the movement of air faster. The air enters into the mixer.

MIXER: In this part the air goes to a place where the air is mixed with fuel .This part decreases the size of its place as the air becomes even faster and lighted with an electric spark in the end.

NOZZLE: In this part the fire exits through a small exit which makes the plane move in front against the thrust and also faster.

“WORLD BICYCLE DAY”



World Bicycle Day is on 3rd June. For many of us, riding a bicycle without the supporting wheels is the first challenging physical activity that we learn to master. On 12th April 2018, all the 193 United Nation's member states adopted a resolution at the 72nd session

of General assembly as they declared 3rd June as the “World Bicycle Day”.

The benefits of cycling are:

- Improves mental well-being and reduces stress.
- Cardiovascular benefits
- Boosts brain power and more

Cardiovascular benefits: Each rotation of the pedal gets your blood pumping. As a result, it burns calories, and keeps your heart in a steady and healthy state. This reduces the risk of major heart diseases and keeps your body in prime condition. We all enjoy cycling. It is an exercise activity for many but for



us children it is a fun-filled and enjoyable experience. Children and adults race around with their friends on cycle and make merry. Their health, mind and spirit come alive and add more light to their lives. C'mon then, let's cycle our way to good living!

– *Kavin. K, V “A”*

A NOTE ON PANJALANKURCHI

I got to know about this place Panjalankuruchi with the help of my grandfather Mr. Hari Rama Krishnan. He is a health inspector. I joined my grandfather on a trip to Panjalankuruchi when his friend invited us for a health camp there. There I visited the Veera Pandi Katta Bomman's statue and the Jakamma Devi temple. Veera Pandi Katta Bomman was a great king and he was a staunch devotee of the goddess Jakamma Devi. Now to the history of the king:

When the Britishers laid seige and wanted control over Panjalankuruchi, Katta Bomman strongly refused to comply and surrender. The king Katta Bomman defied them saying "You don't have any rights to rule our place." He was such a brave king who was strong in his words. After his death the renowned Dr. Kalaingar Karunanidhi built a statue in honour of the valiant Tamil king.

– G. Rakshana, IV "B"



**Entrance of the fort of
Veera Pandiya Katta Bomman**



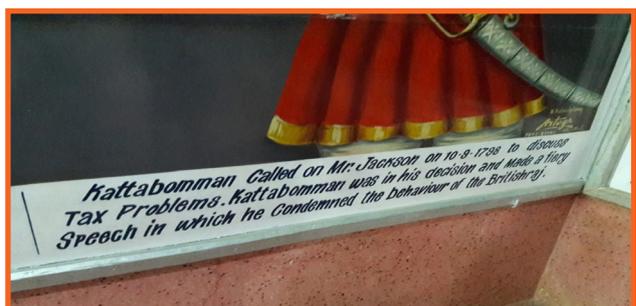
Statue of Veera Pandiya Katta Bomman



**Fifth generation of Veera Pandiya Katta Bomman
(V.V.J.S. Veemaraja @ Subramaniya
Kattabommu Durai)**



Fort of Veera Pandiya Katta Bomman



Glimpses of the history kept inside the fort of Veera Pandiya Katta Bomman

SPORTS

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These days, schools are providing numerous extracurricular activities for students other than their regular curriculum. One of the important extracurricular activity is sports. Sports help improve both physical and mental health and help us to keep ourselves fit and active. Sports also help us to get rid of boredom. It is very difficult to get well versed in a sport during initial days but regular practice and commitment towards the sport makes it more enjoyable.

San Academy considers equal important for studies and sports. Every year, it conducts annual sports meet in the month of August.

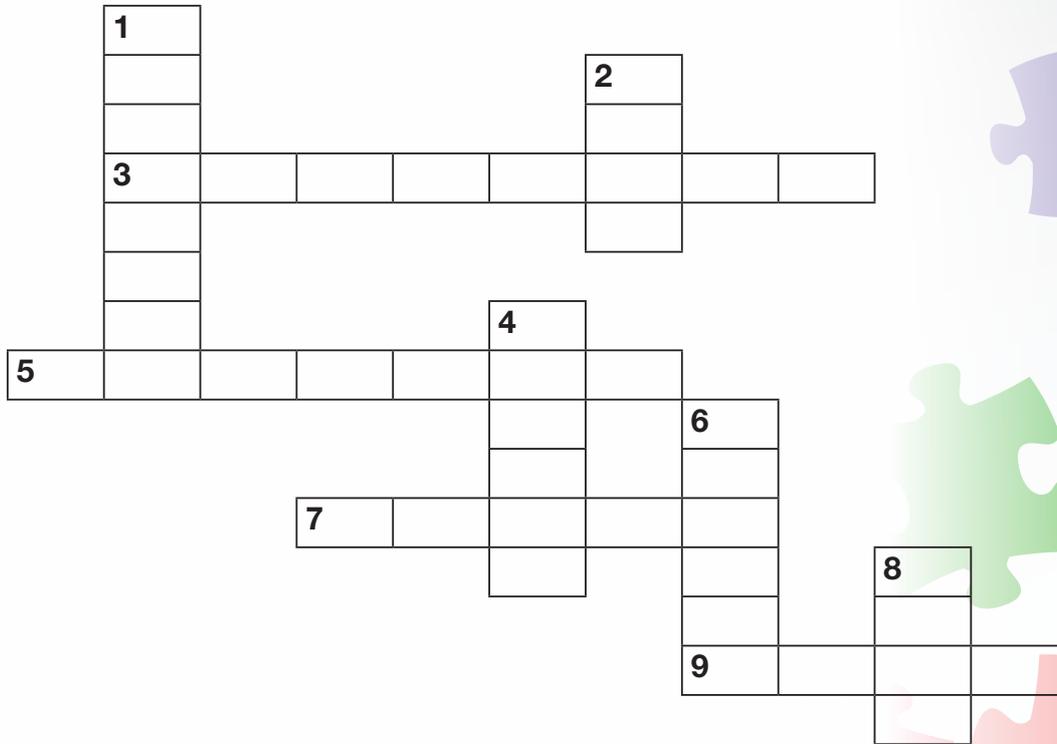
Young achievers in sports field are invited as chief guests and they share their valuable experience with students. Many sports event like running race, relay race, March past are conducted on this day and prizes awarded to winners.

San Academy also gives options to learn Karate, Silambam and Aerobics to students as per their interest. Every year it conducts San-o-talent competition among its branches. Such competitions not only motivate the students but also inculcate the spirit of sportsmanship among the students and prepare them for their life ahead.

– R.G. Arvindhakshan, V “C”



CROSSWORD



ACROSS

3. A country which a person treats as his permanent home.
5. I make a musical chirping sound and I'm also a game loved by most people.
7. A person who commands.
9. A device to carry out a particular function.

DOWN

1. Its worn around the head not as a symbol of authority but for safety.
2. An ancient traditional long poem which narrates the heroic deeds of legends.
4. A tool to inscribe, mostly used by children
6. To win over the opponent but the opponent shuns its _____
8. A carrier of knowledge.

– Durga Abraham *Primary English Teacher*

CATASTROPHE IN SUMMER

Ayyooooo!!! I got up with a jerk as I heard my mother wailing from the living room. Ayyooo!!! It was her shrieking again. What kind of a democratic country is this? I wondered in anguish, if a child has no liberty to sleep peacefully even during the holidays? I dragged myself to give a piece of my mind to that anti-Indian mom of mine only to find her scurrying between the grinder, mixie, washing machine and microwave all at once. My mother could have easily landed herself a plum job at Mudra, Ogilvy & Mather or Lintas for her famous publicity stunts. The din and clatter produced by her infamous multitasking resonated all through the neighbourhood. (I was in a way pleased for it would have woken up my pal next door as well. He! He!)

Mothers in general have the tendency to slog like horses ever competing with the clock but laterally create a brand image of being the most industrious, most resourceful and the most indispensable person on the planet. (Thanks to scores of television commercials that showcase mothers as the uncrowned queens of the household.) Our Indian mothers need no Rasputins or Amit Shahs to guide them. They devise strategies on their own and triumph.

Coming back to our social crisis here, I almost tripped over a stray brinjal that came rolling from the kitchen top like a live grenade. "Amma"! I shrieked. Before I could utter another word, my mother said something that shut all my senses off. It was every chennaiite's nemesis. In my mind...I could picturise birds stop their flight, waves suspend in mid-air and trees freeze their movement.

"Power shutdown"!

Fear slowly crept inside my being as drops of perspiration slowly trickled down my forehead. It was 7:00 am. The countdown had started. 120 minutes to touch base zero. The clock began ticking louder alongside my pulse. Every mortal in India, particularly in South India would have experienced this traumatic situation. My brother soon joined me in anticipation of the Armageddon that was to unfold in approximately 110 minutes. As we both sat nervously huddled on the couch like Jeff Goldblum and Will Smith on an alien

space ship, I walked our Appa post his routine morning badminton session. The milieu of the house and our petrified expressions further added to his calorie burn. No sooner was he updated of the impending doom, than he scampered across to his room to begin the obvious.

My dad began to prepare for his counter surgical strike: "Operation charging". Out came his two mobile phones, battery pack and laptop that diligently drank the current to charge themselves and stay alive for the next 8 hours. It looked as though only *Chitti ver2.0* was missing from my dad's arsenal. Everything else seemed to have figured on the desk.

30 minutes to zero.

Status update: Cooking: halfway, mobile charging: 70% complete, maid: no sign

As the clock edged closer to 9, my mother's dexterity tripled causing more grenades and landmines to fling around and scatter. My dad bailed himself out of the approaching apocalypse in the name of work and successfully evacuated the scene of casualty. With one down, the number came to 5, including our grandparents.

Cu-koo, cu-koo..rasped the pesky bird from the clock 9 times indicating it was time for the summer holocaust to begin. Slowly the fan began losing its momentum and gradually came to a still. My mother stopped on the sofa finishing all her work in the nick of the time. She had an Oscar smile on her face. We gave a hi-fi to each other and clapped furiously as though we had successfully launched a satellite from Sriharikota. We were prepared. We were ready this summer.

"*Thanni varalaye*" (There is no water) squealed my granny from the bath. My mother's face turned white. Internally we saw our dream launch slowly making a nosedive into the Bay of Bengal as it dawned on us that we had all forgotten about switching on the motor.

As all hell broke loose, we noticed our house maid beaming at the paralysed ceiling fan. Catastrophe!

– **Gayathri R** *Primary English Teacher*

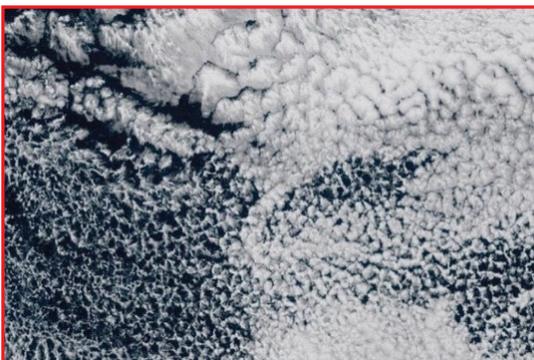
THE BERMUDA TRIANGLE

The Bermuda Triangle is also known as Devil's Triangle or Hurricane Alley. It is a huge area forming a triangle connecting the islands Florida, Bermuda and Puerto Bay. It is a place where hundreds of ships and aircrafts have sunk.



This phenomenon has remained a mystery for the scientific world. The latest tragedy happened in 2015 when the cargo ship “El Faro” disappeared in this region. Now finally the mystery behind the Bermuda Triangle may have been solved.

A recent research by a team of scientists from Colorado University claims to have found the reason for this phenomenon. As per their findings from satellite images, Hexagonal clouds form above Bermuda Triangle area. These clouds cause winds with speed of 170 miles per hour which create waves up to 45-50 feet which is impossible for ships to survive and planes are unable to withstand the high speed wind.



Only more research and studies can establish the findings conclusively. Until then it will remain a mystery.

– Raghav Anand V “B”

INTERNATIONAL DINOSAUR DAY

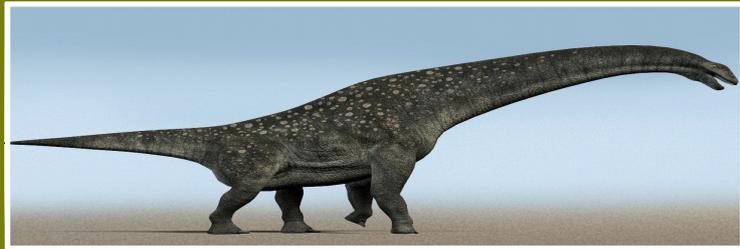
Definition of dinosaur: It is a prehistoric animal. The word dinosaur means “terrible lizard” and is a combination of the two Greek words “deinos”[terrible] and “sauros”[lizard]. These animals are extinct. Eg: T-Rex, Allosaurus.

International Dinosaur Day is on 15th May and 1st June.

DINOSAUR – LONG NECKED

Isisaurus

This dinosaur has a long neck. It ate plants and leaves. It weighed about 15 tons. Fungus known to infect certain kinds of plants was found in Isisaurus’s dung. This gave scientists more insight about the vegetation found during that period of the earth’s evolution. Its first fossils were found in India.



Brachiosaurus

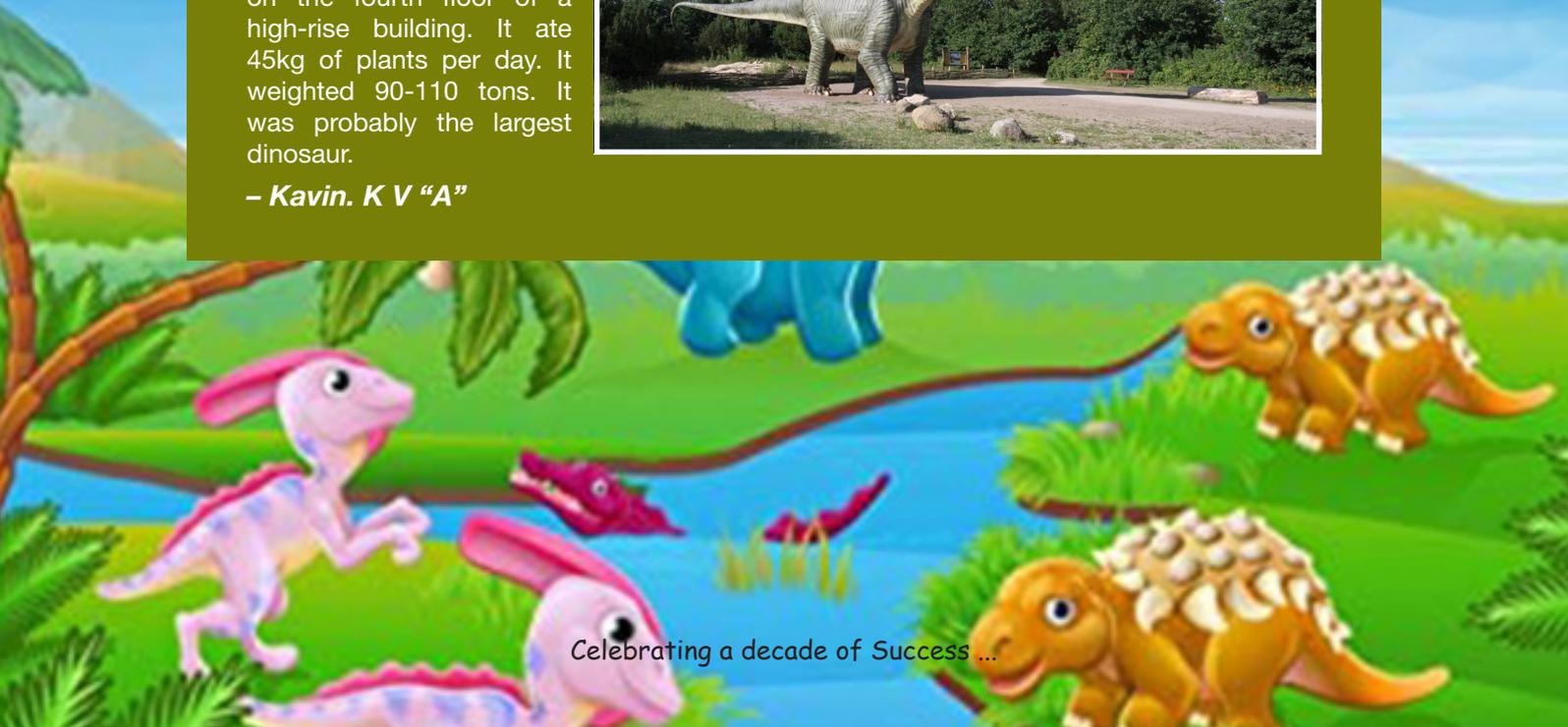
Its eyes lay far back on either side of the very distinctive bulge on its head. It ate low ferns, high conifers. Its first fossils were found in USA, Tanzania and Africa.

Argentinosaurus

Its neck was so long that Argentinosaurus could have peeped into windows on the fourth floor of a high-rise building. It ate 45kg of plants per day. It weighted 90-110 tons. It was probably the largest dinosaur.



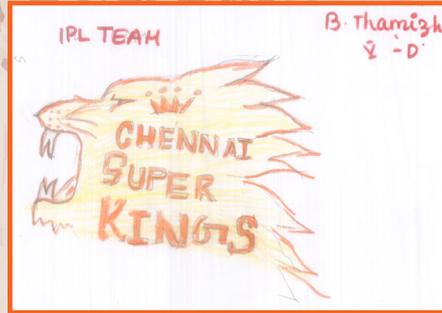
– *Kavin. K V “A”*



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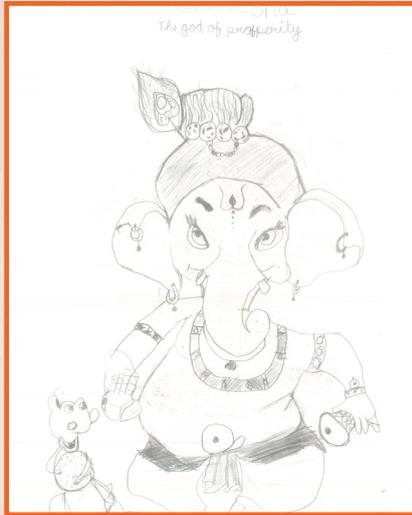
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