

A large graphic of a bugle is the central focus. The bugle's body is a thick, red, stylized letter 'S'. The mouthpiece is yellow, and the bell is a yellow funnel shape. From the right side of the bell, four red musical notes are flying out. The background consists of dark red, swirling, concentric lines that create a sense of depth and movement.

# San BUGLE

Happy to blow our own

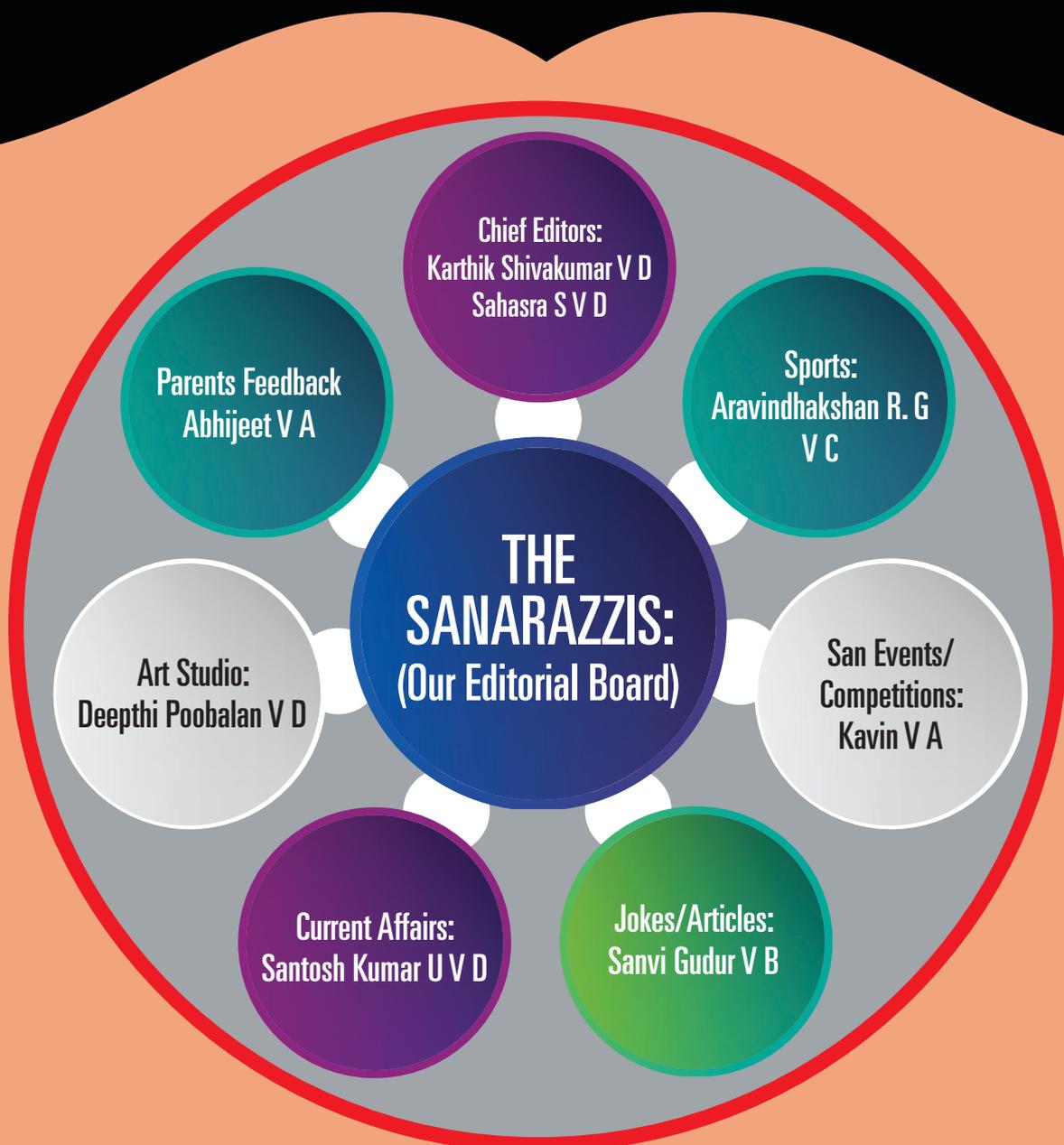
July - August 2019

This is one **small step**  
for a man, one **giant**  
leap for mankind.

– Neil Armstrong



On his landing on the moon on 20th July 1969.  
Incidentally his birthday falls on August 5th.



From CH's Desk ...

A. Padmapriya

**All about life which is simple to live and the man who showed the way.**

Buddha, the light of Asia, was one of the greatest men of all times. Great was his teaching which the mightiest religion of humanity became. Wonderful, too, was his life. No other individual of human history came to be regarded as a God as was Buddha. No other individual had so many followers for so long as a time as he had.



In every sense, he was a unique being. He was the profoundest of thinkers, the most of speakers, the most energetic of worker, the most successful of reformers, the most compassionate and tolerant of teachers, the most efficient of administrators, and above all - the Holiest of Holies.

Few teachings of buddha and his way of life itself is a great lesson to lead one's life in a peaceful and simple way.

I always get inspired by his teachings. Here are few which I would like to share:

Buddha taught about karmic 'conditioning', which is a process by which a person's nature is shaped by their moral actions. For every human, mind becomes the predicament factor that decides what and how he is. "The mind is everything, what you think you become" – *Buddha*

We must fill our minds with "Right" thoughts. Our thinking determines our actions, our actions determines the outcomes. Our actions will lead to greatness.

There is a proverb that goes, "God gives every bird a worm, but he doesn't throw it into their nest" – to be great we must act great.

Yet another good act is forgiveness. "Holding on to anger is like grasping hot coal by thinking it with the intent of throwing it at someone"

We are the one to get who suffers the burn by holding it.

We cannot keep someone down without staying down with them. Hence learn to forgive and learn to forgive quickly.

We should always seek to understand "the other persons" perspective. The instant we feel anger we have already ceased striving for the truth and have began striving for ourselves. Listen to others, understand their perspectives and we will all have peace.

Be more concerned with being happy than being right. Our thoughts are always responsible for all our deeds.

We should learn to discuss thoughts that are contrary to the life we desire to live.

"We cannot control our thoughts if a thought comes, it comes." We will not be able to stop a bird from flying over our head, but we can certainly stop it from building a nest in our hair. With good thoughts we can always derive peace from within.

Life is about the journey! We should not try arriving to it as we are already there.

Get the thought?

I am happy and content where I am today. I may experience nicer places and finer people but I am traveling well. Don't put off your happiness into some nebulous time in the future based on some goal that you think will bring you happiness.

The more we find out about ourselves by means of self-observation and self-analysis, the better will be our chances of self-improvement. In addition, we should ask ourselves how far and to what degree we are generous, even-tempered, natural, kind, considerate, honest, sober, truthful, heedful and observant, industrious, energetic, cautious, patient, tolerant, and tactful. These are some of the qualities of a well-adjusted human being. We should try to improve ourselves where necessary — a little practice every day is all that is needed. We should be aware that the more often we perform a right action, the more easily will it become a habit. By force of habit it ultimately becomes part of our character.



So, travel well today, enjoy the journey of life.



## Twinkling Tots

### NURSERY

#### EVENT: BOOGIE & WOOGIE | DATE: 8.7.19

Children dressed up like rock stars, kids learnt few dance movements, they all enjoyed listening to the music and danced according to the rhythm.

#### EVENT: SENSE ZONE DAY | DATE: 22.7.19

Children got opportunity to experience the different senses and enjoyed the things displayed related to their sense organs spread out in variety on the table.

#### EVENT: FIELD TRIP-TOY'S DAY OUT

Toys play a very important role in a child's life. Toys not only help children to express but also help them feel secure. Playing with toys develop various skills like fine motor, gross motor, language and social skills among children. Children of nursery enjoyed the field trip beginning with a fun ride in the school van. The children were very much happy to experience the toy models and work places of community helpers.

### Jr.KG

#### EVENT: POSTMAN'S DAY | DATE: 7.7.19

The children were very much eager while posting their own hand made vegetable print on postcards. The practical demonstration of the work in a post office made the children learn about it better. The kids loved the mono-act given by our staff dressed as a postman.

#### EVENT: SHOW & TELL 3 | DATE: 23.7.19

Children delivered the speech confidently and few others were able to overcome the fear of public speaking and stage jitters. Parents involvement was seen through the props made for show & tell.





**EVENT: FIELD TRIP- PAZHAMUDIR NILAYAM  
DATE: 6.8.19**

The children enjoyed the travel and were excited and happy visiting the fruit and vegetable shop. It was a practical experience for the kids learning the shapes, colours and varieties of vegetable & fruits available in the market. They were quite curious about the entire session and got tempted to eat them too.

**Sr.KG**

**EVENT: SENSE BOOTH DAY | DATE: 10.7.19**

Children got opportunity to explore the various sense organs. They also recollected the facts learnt in the class about the sense organs while having practical hand on experience.

**EVENT: FIELD TRIP – ANNA CENTENARY LIBRARY  
DATE: 7.8.19**

To inculcate the habit of reading books and to make the children understand the value and benefits of reading books, the children were taken to the Anna centenary library. They all enjoyed travelling with their peer group by singing rhymes. It was really worth going the Anna Library as the kids enjoyed it thoroughly. They were edified about the facts of the library ex: when and by whom it was opened. They enjoyed seeing pictures and tried to read simple words.

**EVENT: SHOW & TELL | DATE: 24.7.19**

Kids performed confidently on the topic. They were excited to perform in front of their peer group.



## Event: Intra School Competition (Nursery, Jr.KG, Sr.KG)

**DATE: 29.7.19**

San Academy Velachery organized an intra school competition for classes Nursery to Sr.KG on 29.7.19. The children were motivated by their class teachers to exhibit and showcase their artistic skills, as art is an integral aspect of education and a creative outlet for young kids.

The efforts of children were highly appreciated by the judges. Winners were selected based on their choice of colour, creativity display, effort to maintain neatness and the directions followed by the child to complete the colouring.

### *Kinder Wonder*

We at San are proud to have a budding prodigy in-house – Master Yudhan of Nursery class. Yudhan's parents observed that Yudhan began grasping shapes and patterns very quick. They also noticed that he was interested in cars. Combining both his interests, they started teaching him car logos using the cars parked in their apartment. It came out well and he started enjoying identifying the name of the logos. Now he is able to identify around 40 car logos and 10 bank logos.

Initially they gave a print out of cars with 10 logos to help him settle in schools as he was crying longer than the other kids. This was noticed by his class teachers and the school principal. Then they got an opportunity to present this in the school assembly in front of all the students and teachers.

Yudhan and his parents are quite proud of him and take this opportunity to thank San for giving a good platform to showcase his talents and for all the wonderful opportunities bestowed to him from his early days of schooling.



## Independence Day

The 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day was celebrated in San Academy on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of August in the school campus. The chief guest of the day Ms. G. Jessie Techo, Kindergarten coordinator hoisted the flag and witnessed the marchpast presented by the Cubs and Bulbuls, scouts and guides, followed by an array of cultural programs. On the occasion students showcased their creativity and designing skills by making tricolored crafts as take-home.

The students and teachers celebrated the Independence Day by singing patriotic songs. To send a message of "save our environment" environment friendly flags were distributed to the parents.



## Sports Day

San Academy Velachery Annual sports day for classes Nursery to class I was organised on August 4<sup>th</sup> 2010 at YMCA ground, Nandanam, on the theme "Birthday bash". All the children participated in the fun filled events and track events which revolved around the theme "Birthday Bash".

The program began with the welcome ceremony of the chief guest, Mr. Shirijth, Junior level cricket champion. Ms. Padmapriya, the principal welcomed the guest with a bouquet. The sports day was inaugurated with a cake cutting by the chief guest followed by a special parade presented by children of Nursery to class I. The children were adorned with props relating to birthday celebrations. They looked adorable as they performed a marched past for the guest of honour.

Then the much-awaited drill on Zodiac sign was displayed by the children of Class I. After the ground reverberated with enthusiastic cheers from the spectators, the tiny tots of Nursery participated in the track event.

Several sports events and drills followed which left the audience enthralled.

The winners were awarded with certificates and medals. It was a day filled with sportsmanship, enthusiasm and memories to cherish not only for the students but for the parents too. All the parents enjoyed participating in the parent event. The director of San Academy group of schools, Ms Archana Anand applauded all the teachers and others staff for the well-organized event.



# Club Activities



# Independence Day



# Library Day

Books are our best friend...not only that, books also brings friends together. We all enjoy reading books and sharing it with each other. Book reading is not only joyful, it also helps us improve our knowledge.

A library is a temple of knowledge. Our school library has a huge collection of books. I enjoy reading the "Bikku" series in my school library and discuss about it with my friends.

I thank our management and teachers for organising this library day where students are awarded and encouraged to develop reading habit. – *By Rangesh 3B*



# Krishna Jayanthi Celebration

- An ode to the Supreme being.



# SPORTS DAY



Celebrating a decade of Success ...



## Inter School Winners

### 1. Name: Aditi Diya

- Event: WIZ NATIONAL SPELL BEE
- Place: Sayee Academy, West Mambalam
- Prize: 1<sup>st</sup> rank
- Date: 02.07.19



### 2. Name: Lekha

- Event: Chennai Runners #trackattack
- Prize: Little Plank Winner
- Date: 07.07.19



AUGUST	02.08.19	GTA-Vidhyamandir	PARAMPARA-'19	Third prize-Talent Show	Muhammed Ashfaq V B
	17.08.19	Billabong High International school	Kalagraam	Second prize - Clay modelling	ARVINDHAKSHAN.R.G V C

## Intra Competition - GC



## SPELL BEE RESULTS

*Congratulations!*

To The State Level Competition  
Winners Held At Coimbatore.

S.NO	NAME	CLASS	RANK
1	Aditi Diya	III C	2
2	Aksharaa V	IV A	6
3	Thamizh B	V D	1
4	Karthik Sivakumar	V D	7
5	Vidhusha.C.E	IV A	10



There we go again, asking everyone to join us in celebrating the incredible metro that we dwell in, for Madras Week just happened to knock the door. (August 18-25, 2019). The cynics we are sure, must be already practising their counter chorus beginning with the usual litany – Chennai was not founded in 1639, the weather here is uniformly bad, there is a perennial water crisis, the roads are terrible, the civic body inactive and the traffic chaotic. To all of this we agree in toto but these in our view do not in any way detract from the fact that there are several aspects to Chennai that are sufficient reasons to rejoice.

Madras Week is not just about celebrating a colonial past as many have unfortunately depicted it. It is all about cherishing what is good in our city and making it known to everyone. Are any of the achievements listed above from our colonial times? Hardly. All of them are peaks that we have scaled as an independent people. Is it not necessary to take some time off and look back at what we have attained?

We at San joined together in celebrating the feeling of residing in such an illustrious city that we hold so close to our heart and souls. Speeches highlighting the iconic landmarks of Chennai, traditional instruments of music, Dances featuring the folk artform – Paraiattam, Martial arts – Silambattam and a flash mob dance to a foot-tapping album by our kids kept the audience glued to their seats. Stalls that were put up in the campus serving delectable local gastronomic delights proved to be huge crowd-pullers.

# The Speaking Pen



## Aadi – Time for Divinity

By Aravindh

Aadi marks the fourth month of Tamil Calendar. During this month, prayers and pujas are offered to propitiate the powerful gods and goddesses and seek their blessings. The month of Aadi is considered very auspicious to connect oneself to this Divine power and hence no weddings or other similar functions are celebrated during Aadi. The most auspicious days are Fridays and Tuesdays in this month. There are many festivals that starts from this month and hence the Tamil proverb – “aadi azhaikkum; pongal poga sollum”.

1. Aadi Pirappu: The first day of this month, usually falling on July 16 is celebrated as Aadi Pandigai or Aadi Pirappu, which is an important festival to most Tamils. The first of the month is marked with a special puja, followed by a feast with ‘Aadi paal’ prepared with coconut milk.
2. Aadi Amavasai– No moon day in Aadi month dedicated to offering prayers to dead ancestors.
3. Aadi Pooram– This marks the birthday of Sri Andal (one among 12 great Alvars of Sri Vaishnavism).
4. Varalakshmi Puja – Worship of Goddess Lakshmi.
5. Aadi Perukku– Aadi Perukku or Padinettam Perukku is celebrated on the eighteenth day of this month This festival is important for farmers and is intended to celebrate the water rising levels in rivers and lakes due to the onset of monsoon,.
6. Aadi Karthigai – Festival dedicated to Lord Muruga.
7. Majority of the people also worship snakes during the Tamil months of Aadi and Thai. They visit a Snake bill and offer cow milk, as offerings to the Snake God. They also bring sacred mud from the snake bill and apply the same on their

body with a belief that it will help in getting rid of health aberrations. They offer milk to snake idols and perform pooja to remove the naga dosha for wealth and prosperity.

### **Now’s time for some special Aadi dish.**

#### **Recipe for Aadi paal:**

Preparation Time : 5 mins\* | Cooking Time : 15 Mins  
Serves: 3-4

\* Prepare coconut milk in advance for this recipe

- Thin coconut milk 1 and 1/4 cup
- Thick coconut milk 3/4 cup
- Jaggery 1/2 cup
- Cashew nuts 5
- Ghee 1/2 tsp

#### **Method:**

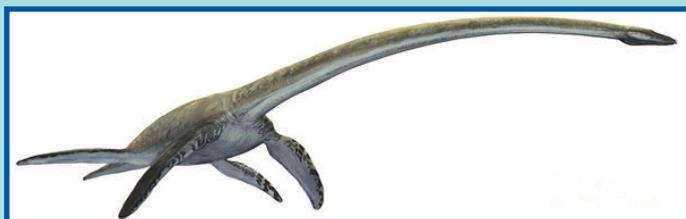
- In a pan add jaggery and add 2 tsp of water. Allow the jaggery to melt. Keep the flame very low.
- Filter the impurities and add the filtered jaggery with thin coconut milk.
- Bring this to boil for 5 minutes in a low flame.
- Add the thick coconut milk. Do not boil after thick coconut milk as it might get curdled.
- When it froths up switch off the flame.
- Fry the cashew nuts in ghee and add it to the payasam. Add cardamom powder and mix well.
- This can be served either hot or cold. It tends to thicken slightly after they cool.

## Dinosaur-Water Family

By Kavin.K, VA

### MOSASAURUS

It had 100 vertebrae in its back. It was bigger than T-REX. It weighted 5 tons. It ate fish, turtles and other small creatures. It was a giant meat-eating crocodile-like hunter that lived in shallow seas where it could come up for air and plenty of food. Its first fossils were found in Netherlands, North America, Africa, New Zealand and Europe.



### ELASMOSAURUS

It eats small marine and land creatures. Fossils revealed small rounded pebbles in the stomach area which may have been swallowed to aid digestion or help it to sink to the depths in search of various fishy delicacies. Its first fossils were found in Japan and North America

## Gut bacteria may affect how medicines work inside your body

By Santhosh Kumar.U, V D

This educational article was published in July 9, 2019. Doctors give medications by checking the helpful bacteria that live in your squishy gut. A recent study says that gut bacteria alter the drug to make it useful in another way. This hypothetical theory was first discovered by Ms. Maria Zimmermann- Kogadeeva. She studies in Yale university. It has been said that this could be a major discovery to drug companies. This could make cures more efficient. The study was done by using 71 bacteria that lives in the gut and was tested by 271 drugs to check if the bacteria change their structure. The pills are directly digested through the mouth. The scientist put the bacteria in their testing tube and surprisingly after 12 hours , 2 out of 3 bacteria changed their structure. Each of the bacteria can modify 10 to 95 strains. This was a huge celebration for the scientists.



To moreover certainly agree with this, the scientists tried this experiment with strains of E.coli. They added small pieces of DNA to check if the DNA altered the bacteria in any way and it is true. Since they tested in single cell organisms they also wanted to test on humans. They were 28 test subjects prone to the test. They were subjected to the same medicine in the same environment to see how poop deals with or changes the medicine in any way. They also tried to find tiny snippets of DNA released by a microbe in the stool of the patients and also tried this experiment on microbes are 50% as same as

E.coli. The research shows that people with more drug-alternating DNA made more changes to the dose given to them. With this precious information, doctors could do stool tests to accurately prescribe medications with 100% guarantee. Even, make the prescription for gut-friendly so that it doesn't kill germs in the gut too. Even we can make the gut change itself by giving frequent antibiotics or fecal transplants. The brain also a connection with the gut. A disease named Parkinson's starts with the infection of the gut. According to this study, drug companies can make a huge advantage to make their medicine appear stronger and avoid side effects or bad reactions from happening in the body.

## Origin of Months

By B.Reethu, VC

Romulus, the first King of Rome invented the ancient calendar an evolved form of which we are referring in our daily life.

### January:

The first month is named after Roman god Janus, the lord of gate and doorways and associated with new beginnings.

### February:

This month originate from the Latin verb called 'Februare' which means 'to expiate' or 'purify'.

### March:

This month originate from the Latin word 'Martius of Mars'. Mars means god of wars.

### April:

The Latin name of April- 'Aprilis' is derived from the name Aphrodite, the Greek name of Venus.

### May:

This spring time month got its name from Maia, the earth goddess and a nurturer. Maia means "the great one".

### June:

This month got its name from the Roman goddess Juno, the wife of Jupiter.

### July:

The month of July was named in honour of Julius Caesar after his death in 44BC as July was his birth month.

### August:

This month was named after the Roman emperor Augustus Caesar. August is derived from the name Augustus which means respected and impressive.

### September:

This month name comes from Latin word 'Septem' means seven. This month is at the seventh position in the original 10th ancient Roman calendar.

### October:

The Latin word for eight 'Octo' is the origin of the name of October, the eighth month in the ancient Roman calendar.

### November:

This month comes from the Latin word 'Novem' meaning nine which is the ninth position in the ancient Roman calendar.

### December:

It got its name from the Latin word 'Decem' or 'ten' as it used to be the tenth month in ancient Roman calendar.

## Sharing Is Strength

By S. Rakshita, V 'D'

Everyone of us eagerly wait for a special day every year, guess what? ..Yes!!!! its our birthday. My birthday falls on July 24th. The usual birthday celebration gala includes going to temple, wearing new a dress, surprise gifts, chocolates, cakes, party, etc. This year too was not an exception. But out of the blue, I got a big surprise from my parents.

They took me to a community living home where more than 75 children were living. They either have one of their parents or were abandoned by their parents, or have lost them. They live in the community home with their friends and other accompanying elders. We provided food to them on my birthday. I served food to them and also had a chance to have lunch with them. Initially I could not go and talk with them, I was only listening to their stories and was imagining how could they live here without their family members, whom do they talk to daily. I had a lot of questions inside my mind. Slowly I started playing with them and felt comfortable. They do not lead a sophisticated life like us. But still they happily enjoy each and every passing day they live. This is one of the important take away for me after visiting them.

Be happy with what you have. When I shared some stationaries for them, the smile I could see on their face lit me up too. I felt very happy. I decided to do this every year, because the happiness and satisfaction that I felt was more than the usual birthday party celebration. I felt a surge of responsibility to help people in need. We should also realise that god has given us everything abundantly when compared to people who are in need even for their basic daily living needs like food and shelter. The person who is taking care of all these 75 children is an old man who is a retired teacher aged 89. The energy and happiness that he has is double than us. I realised that sharing his time, money, and everything that he has is the secret of this. When I was incidentally referring to the place I went as orphanage, my mom guided me to say that as community living home. I understood the meaning why she said like that because no one in this world is an orphan because some or the other way, we help each other. Let's do that and feel the strength within us by sharing. Yes this birthday was very special to me !!!!!!!

## The Guinness Book of World Records

By Gowtam

The Guinness Book of World Records, now known as Guinness World Records, is a reference book published annually which lists the records set around the world related to human accomplishments and facts related to nature. Interestingly, It holds a record of its own as the world's best selling copyrighted book with sales exceeding more than 100 million in 37 languages in over 100 countries.

There is an interesting story behind the first publication of the Guinness book. In 1954, **Sir Hugh Beaver**, the Managing Director of Guinness Brewery went on a shooting party in County Wexford, Ireland where he missed his shot at a golden plover. To defend himself, he argued that Golden Plover was the fastest game bird in the whole of Europe but he couldn't prove it as there was no reference book that documented facts like this. It was then that Sir Hugh Beaver realised there might be countless questions like the above debated daily throughout Ireland without conclusive answers and a reference book compiling the interesting facts would be very successful and can be used to settle many a debates. The first book compiled by twin brothers **Norris and Ross McWhirter** was published on 27<sup>th</sup> August 1955.

Some interesting Guinness Records of Indian Origin are:

- Most Expensive Suit Sold at an auction – Suit worn by Prime Minister Narendra Modi was bought for Rs. 4.31 crores by Gujarat's diamond trader Lalji Bhai Tulsibai Patel.
- Shortest Women Living – Jyoti Kisanji Amge from Nagpur who is 2 ft 0.7 inches tall.

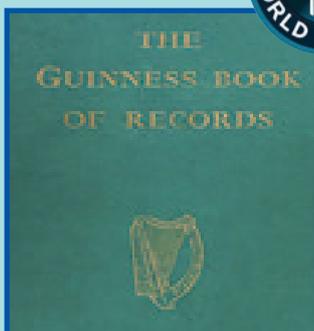
- Longest Moustache – Ram Singh Chauhan with 4.29 metre moustache.
- Largest Crowd for Yoga session – 1,00,984 participants achieved by Patanjali Yogapeeth, Government of Rajasthan, District Administration of Kota on 21 June 2018.
- Largest/Heaviest Biryani – Kohinoor Foods 14.060 tonnes.
- Largest Wearable Turban – 400m of cloth belonging to Major Singh.



Sir Hugh Beaver



Norris and Ross McWhirter



First Book  
Published in 1955



Latest Book  
Published in 2019

### POEM NATURE AND ME

By L. Srinidhi, IV 'A'

When the Sun rises,  
And the waves crumble,  
They never show off  
And always stay humble.

Where animals live together  
Deep in the forest,  
They respect each other  
They never offend.

When plants need water,  
Then the clouds pour,  
They don't leave each other  
When they are needed more.

Celebrating a decade of Success...

# Bakrid Special Features

## Compassion Is Devine

By Mariam

Bakr-Id, also known as Eid al-Adha is a symbolic reminder of what occurred 4,000 years ago which is also a sacred festival of the Muslims. It is celebrated for three days starting from the 10th to 12th day in the last month of Islamic calendar all over the world. Many Muslims also fast the day before the Eid starts, marking what is known as the day of Arafah which is the 9th day. Our Prophet (PBUH) said "Fasting on the day of Arafah is an expiation for the preceding year and the following year". Unlike the month of Ramadan, fasting on the day of Arafat is considered to be optional.

The story of Eid al-Adha is that Prophet Ibrahim had repeated dreams in which he was sacrificing his young son, Ismail. When Ibrahim asked Ismail, he was ready to bow before the will of God. Satan tried to distract them, but Ibrahim drove him away by throwing stones. Finally, when Ibrahim tried to cut his son's throat, he was spared by divine intervention and found a ram to have been sacrificed instead.

On this day people wear new clothes, offer prayers, visit relatives and friends and exchange greetings. Prayers and feasts are an integral part of this festival. All the Muslims gather in the mosque or open ground and offer prayers.

After Prayer, Qurbani an important part of the festival in which an animal is sacrificed. The animal sacrifices made during the festival are mainly to provide food to the poor and to commemorate the noble act of Ibrahim. During the three days of the

festival; a goat or a camel or a sheep is slaughtered, and one-third portion of its meat is given to the poor, one third to the relatives and the remaining is for self-use. This sacrifice can be offered at any time before the afternoon of the third day. This practice of sacrifice is strictly followed during Haj in Mecca where pilgrims from all over the world flock to perform special rituals.

This year, I celebrated Bakr-Id with great enthusiasm as it was on Monday. I had a weekend before Bakr-Id and used this time to do shopping. We also bought a goat to sacrifice on Bakr-Id. The price range of goats this year was from Rs.10,000 and above. We had to bargain with the seller and finally we got it for a good price. My mom had fasting on 9th day a day before Bark-Id. On the day of Bakr-id, we all got up early, took bath, wore new clothes. My father went to mosque for special prayer. Me, my mom and my grandmother prayed at home. After prayers, we all had break fast. My mom prepared a special sweet. We went to our friends' house in our neighbourhood and greeted each other and exchanged gifts. Later in the day, we sacrificed the goat. We divided the meat into 3 parts – one for poor, one for relatives, and one for self. In the afternoon we started distributing the meat to our relatives and poor people. We went to one of my aunt's house where we had our lunch. She prepared mutton biryani with chicken side dish. By the time we came back home it was night. I thoroughly enjoyed this Bakr-Id.



## A Day To Celebrate The Joy Of Giving

By B. Muhammad Ashfaq, IV 'B'

Eid al-Adha or Bakrid is called the “Festival of the Sacrifice”, is the second of two Islamic festival celebrated worldwide each year and considered the holier of the two. It honours the willingness of Ibrahim to sacrifice his son as an act of obedience to God’s command. But, before Ibrahim could sacrifice his son, God provided a lamb to sacrifice instead.

On this day, all the Muslims gather in the mosque or open ground and offer Namaz on an empty stomach. After Namaz, Qurbani an important part of the festival in which an animal is sacrificed, is performed all over the world by those Muslims who possess wealth equal to more than 400 grams of gold.

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## A Day To Share And Care

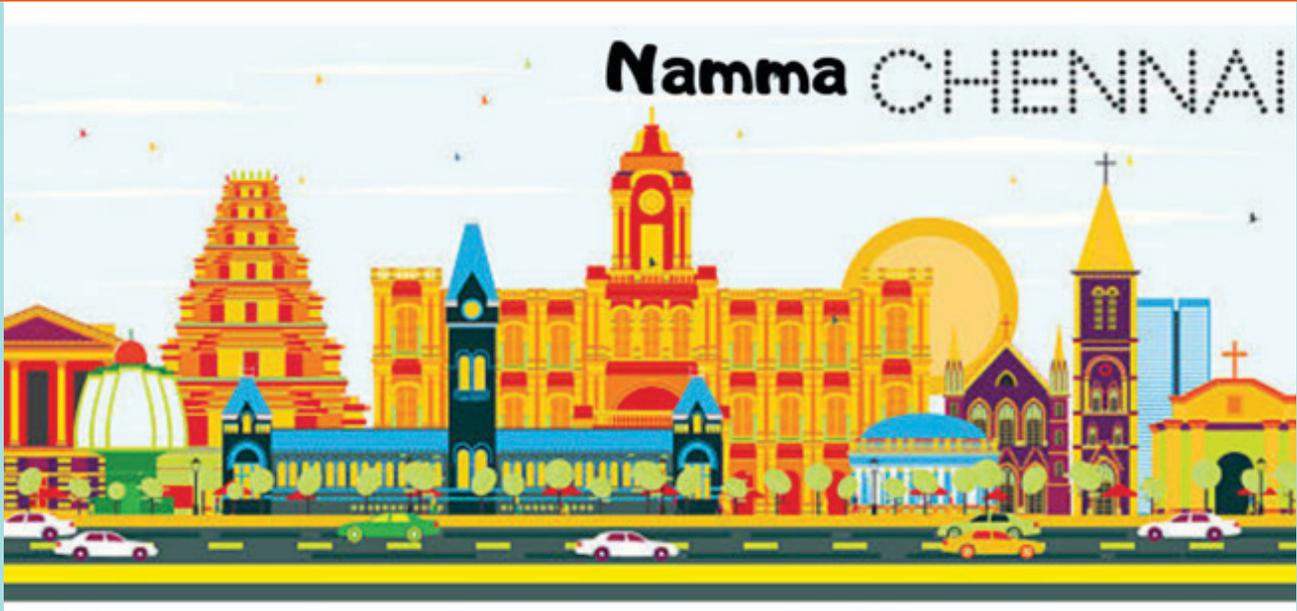
By Rehan, IV 'B'

**Bakrid, Eid-ul-Adha** is a festival of sacrifice with religious fervor and devotion. It commemorates the sacrifices of **Prophet Ibrahim** who was ready to sacrifice his son as an act of obedience to God’s (Allah) command.

In Commemoration of this intervention, an animal is sacrificed ritually and divided into three parts. One share is given to the poor and needy, another is kept for home and the third is given to relatives, kith and kin.

I look forward to this festival with lots of excitement and enthusiasm as we celebrate this festival with our loved ones and savour the day with feelings of love, sharing and caring.





## The Journey Through Time – From Madarasapattinam to Namma Chennai

A compilation by Karthik Sivakumar, V 'D'

Chennai was formerly a fishing hamlet going by the name “Madarasapattinam”. Did you know that the oldest shopping mall (Spencer Plaza) in India is in Chennai? Did you know that Chennai was the only city that was attacked during World War II? Read on, to get amazed because I have uncovered facts for each century, starting off with 17<sup>th</sup> Century.

### 17th Century

1639 – The English secure grant from Damarla Venkatadri Nayaka, Nayaks of Kalahasti, for getting a three-mile-long strip of land and the city of Madras is founded (22 August).

1664 – First British hospital started, which is now called the Government General Hospital.

1688 – Madras City Municipal Corporation was inaugurated.

### 18th Century

1711 – The first printing press was constructed.

1726 – The 134 steps at St. Thomas Mount are built, which is still being used.

1784 – Madras Courier, the first newspaper to be published in Madras was founded.

1785 – The first post office starts functioning

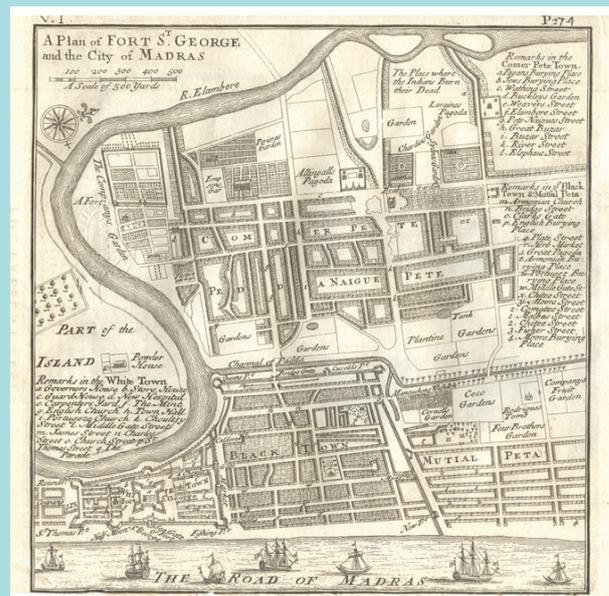
1788 – Thomas Parry lands in Madras and starts one of the oldest surviving mercantile name in the city – Parry's.

1794 – The Government Survey School (now part of Anna University), the oldest engineering school outside of Europe started.

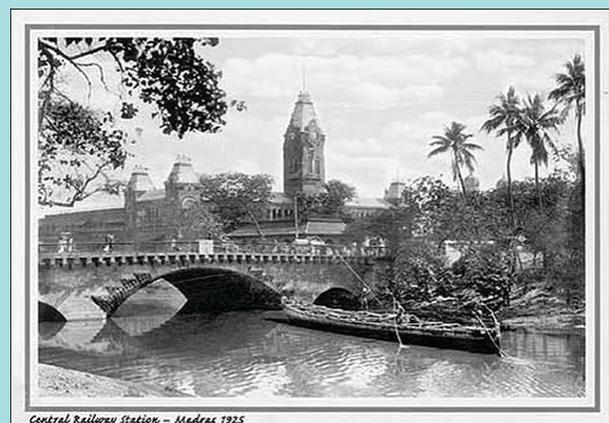
### 19th Century

1819 – First eye hospital established, still functioning as Egmore Eye Hospital

1831 – First Commercial Bank, Madras Bank, was founded. First census in the city is taken (population: 39,785).



Plan of Fort St. George and the City of Madras in 1726.



Central Railway station – Madras 1925

- 1842 – First lighthouse was built.
- 1844 – Higginbotham’s, the first book store in the country was opened.
- 1851 – Museum was formed.
- 1853 – Zoo was formed.
- 1856 – Royapuram railway station, the first in South India was established.
- 1857 – University of Madras was founded.
- 1878 – The Hindu newspaper was founded.
- 1882 – First telephone was installed.
- 1894 – First car was sold.
- 1895 – First tram car service was inaugurated.
- 1899 – First Tamil newspaper, Swadesamitran was founded. Bharathiyar was one of its editors.

## 20th Century

- 1901 – The population of the city goes up to 5,40,000.
- 1906 – Indian Bank was founded.
- 1913 – Electric Theatre, first ever cinema house in South India was opened. This now houses the Philatelic Bureau.
- 1914 – Street lights were introduced; Water mains and drainage system introduced.
- 1916 – Chepauk cricket stadium was built.
- 1917 – First aero plane flies in the city.
- 1924 – Radio broadcasting begins.
- 1925 – First bus transport begins.
- 1931 – Suburban electric train services start from Madras Beach to Tambaram.
- 1934 – Raja Sir Muthiah Chettiyar is appointed as first mayor of the city.
- 1938 – All India Radio (AIR) was founded.
- 1942 – World War II results in evacuation of Madras.
- 1943 – Japanese fighter planes drops bombs on Madras; Population of the city crossed one million mark.
- 1956 – Madras city was chosen as the capital of Tamil Nadu.
- 1959 – LIC building was constructed, first high rise building in the city.
- 1975 – TV broadcasting (Madras Doordarshan) was started.
- 1988 – Birla Planetarium was built.
- 1996 – Madras was renamed as Chennai.

## 21st Century

- 2000 – TIDEL Park was inaugurated.
- 2004 – India Ocean Tsunami wreaks havoc in the city.
- 2015 – Chennai Metro starts functioning; Chennai floods causes widespread damage to the city.



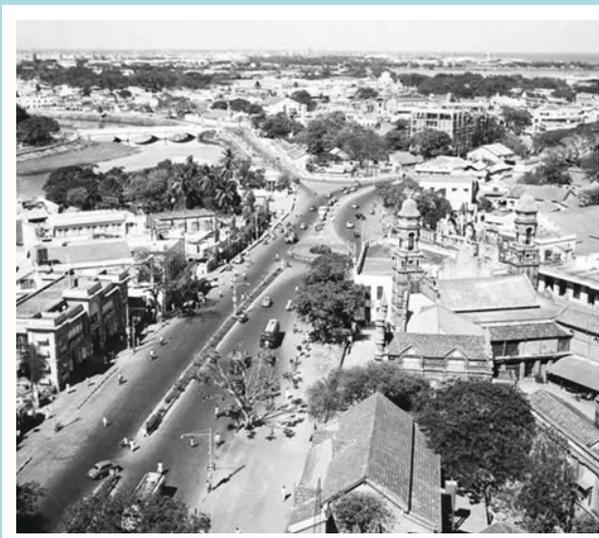
Parry's Corner – Madras 1890



Mylapore – Madras 1906



Mount Road – Madras 1905



Mount Road in 1950



Spencer Plaza, India's first mall in 1863

## பார் புகழும் சென்னை

தமிழ் நாட்டின் தலை நகர் சென்னை மாநகரம். தர்மமும், கலாச்சாரமும், பண்பாடும் நிறைந்த சென்னை. காற்று வாங்க கடற்கரையும், கண்ணகி சிலையும் கல்லூரிகளும், கலை அரங்கங்களும் நிறைந்த - சென்னை. பல தலைவர்களின் சிலைகளும், கலங்கரை விளக்கும் பன்னாட்டு நிறுவனமும் பலர் ரசிக்கும் விளையாட்டு மைதானமும், பல பள்ளிகளும் இருக்கும் - சென்னை, வெளி நாட்டவர், உள்நாட்டவர் வந்து போக விமான சேவை உள்ள - சென்னை , வரும் விருந்தினர்களை வரவேற்கும் - சென்னை, மக்கள் நோய் இன்றி வாழ பாடுபடும் பல மருத்துவ மனைகள், மருத்துவர்கள் இருக்கும் - சென்னை வேலையின்றி இருக்கும் மாணவ, மாணவியருக்கு வேலை கொடுத்து உதவும் தொழில் நிறுவனங்கள் உள்ள சென்னை.

சிங்காரச் சென்னையில் சிந்தித்து செயல் படும் சிறப்பான தலைவர்கள் உள்ள- சென்னை. சீராக ஓடும் மெட்ரோ ராயில் சேவையும் சிரம் தாழ்த்தி வணங்க வைக்கும் கோவில்களும் உள்ள - சென்னை. பிர்லா கோளரங்கமும், அறிவை வளர்க்கும் நூலகங்களும் மக்களின் விருப்பத்திற்கேற்ப செயல்படும் உணவு விடுதிகளும் இடம் பெறும் - சென்னை.

பெரியவர்கள், குழந்தைகள் பலரையும் கவரும், அருங்காட்சியகம், மிருகக்காட்சி சாலை, பொருட்காட்சி இருக்கும்-சென்னை, திருவள்ளூர் வாழ்ந்த திருமயிலை, சென்னையில் உள்ளது. பல கவிஞர்களும், புலவர்களும் வாழ்ந்த, சென்னை. நீதியை உணர்த்த வைக்கும் நீதி மன்றம், அண்ணாந்து பார்க்க வைக்கும் உயர்ந்த கட்டிடங்கள் உள்ள -பூங்காக்களும், பல ஏரிகளும், குளங்களும் உள்ள - சென்னை. அயராது வந்து இறங்கும் கோயம்பேடு காற்கறி சந்தையும், சென்டரல், எக்மோர், ரயில் நிலையங்களும் உள்ள - சென்னை.

பட்டி, தொட்டி, கிராமங்களில் இருந்து மக்கள் வந்து பார்த்து பரவசம் அடையும் - சென்னை.

**வாழ்க சிங்காரச் சென்னை! வளர்க மக்கள் மகிழ்ச்சி!!**

By:  
Mrs. Lakshmi Ramani  
Grand Mother Of Anusha Balaji  
Class - IV : Section - B

## Friendship Day – Cherishing true friendship

By Karthik Sivakumar, V 'D'

Friendship day is celebrated on the first Sunday of August. We celebrate Mother's Day, Father's Day, Teacher's Day and Children's Day, on those lines having a dedicated day for Friendship shows the importance of friendship.

We tie friendship bands to our friends, but that isn't enough to prove our friendship. The bonding in a true friendship is unconditional and it also means that we must be ready to sacrifice anything for our friends.

I have many friends, but here, I would like to talk about my best friends who know me very well and always accept me for what I am. They are **Gautham** and **Arvindhakshan** from V 'C', we have been best friends since our Senior KG days. There are many memorable moments in our friendship and here is one such moment.

### **Birthday Surprise:**

It was Aravindh's birthday and I planned to surprise him by going to his house. I chose the time when he was at Hindi tuition and thought it is the perfect time to execute my plans. I went to his house and with the help of his mother, I hid in his bedroom waiting for him to come. After a while, he came back from the tuition with his mother, asking "Has Karthik come?" for which his mom immediately said "No". His mom told him to go to the bedroom and switch on the lights. He came to the bedroom and there I was, he jumped and screamed. It was a mixture of happiness,



shock and surprise. I wished him and gave a gift and played with him all evening and had great fun.

This year, I got separated from them as I moved to class V 'D', but that didn't affect our friendship and we always found ways to get-together and continue our friendship. ***I am sure this friendship will last for many years to come irrespective of where we go or what we do. That is the power of true friendship.***

## Friendship Day

By Aksharaa V, IV 'D'

Friendship day falls on the first Sunday of August every year. The tradition of dedicating a day in honour of friends began in US in 1985. Gradually the festival gained popularity and today, Friendship day is celebrated in most of the countries including India.

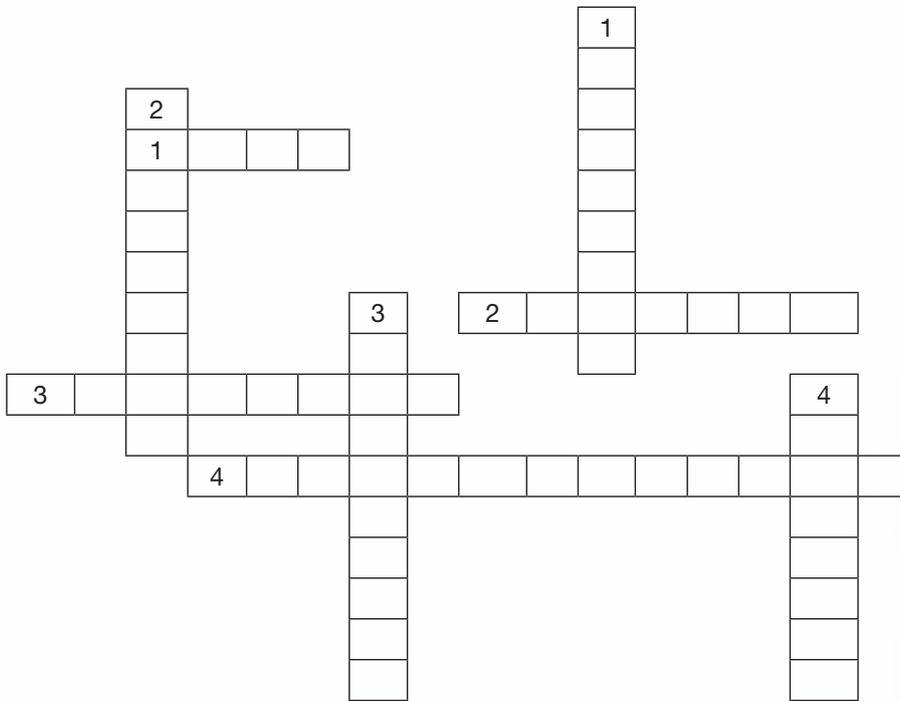
I would like to recollect a funny incident that happened in our class on this day. One day, during a substitution period, my friend was saying something important to us. Meanwhile, a girl intervened our discussion and started arguing with us. She was so focused in arguing that she fell over a pile of lunch bags. She resembled a cat with colorful fur lying down on the floor. We all started laughing. It was one of the funniest moments that happened in our class.

**Happy Friendship day.**



# CROSSWORD

## TITLE FOR DIFFERENT PROFESSIONS



**ACROSS:**

1. A skilled or trained cook
2. A person who plays musical instrument or conducts musical performance
3. A professional who plays a musical instrument
4. An entertainer, who make his/her voice appear to come from somewhere else

**DOWN:**

1. A person who manipulates an inanimate objects
2. A person who makes artificial eyes
3. A person trained person to groom a customer's appearance
4. A woman whose job is to massage people

- Durga Abraham  
Primary English Teacher

- K. Revathi, Maths Teacher

**Puzzle time**

**Balloon bursting**

If a number in one of the balloons is included in the answers to the four problems below then that balloon will fly away.

1. Balloons with a multiple of 9
2. Square number balloons
3. Prime number balloons

WHICH BALLOON IS LEFT?

## वतन

लहू आज बोल रहा है, कीमत तुझको चुकानी होगी,  
 वूंद - वूंद जो गिरा सरहद पर, कसम उसी की खानी होगी ॥  
 मातृ भूमी की रक्षा की खातिर देनी तो कुर्बानी होगी,  
 दुल्हन को अपना सुहाग , माता को अपना हर लाल,  
 वहना को भाई का प्यार, वतन पर करना होगा कुर्बान ॥  
 क्योंकि वतन तू है महान , क्योंकि वतन तू है महान  
 वतन तेरी कसम पर, हो गए शहीद हम,  
 जिंदगी तेरी की खातिर, सह लिए हमने सब गम,  
 नहीं हमें है कोई शिकवा, खुदा इतना करम कर,  
 जनम लें तो वतन की खातिर, मरें तो वतन पर ॥

सीमा

## சேமிப்பு பாதுகாப்பு

"சிறுதுளி பெருவெள்ளம்" என்பது பழமொழியாகும். நாம் சிறுக சிறுக சேமித்தால் நாளைடைவில் பெரும் தொகையை பெறலாம். எறும்புகள், தேனீக்கள் போன்ற சிறிய உயிரினங்களும் தன் எதிர்கால தேவைக்காக சேமிக்கின்றன. 'சிக்கன வாழ்வே சிறந்த வாழ்வு' வள்ளுவரும் சிக்கனம் குறித்து குறிப்பிடத் தவறவில்லை.

"ஆகாறு அளவு இட்டதாயினும் கேடில்லை போகாறு அகலாக் கடை"

நம் வருவாய் கொஞ்சமாக இருந்தாலும் நம் செலவுகள் அதிகமாக இல்லாமல் பார்த்துக்கொள்ள வேண்டும்.

"அளவறிந்து வாழாதான் வாழ்க்கை உளபோல் இல்லாகித் தோன்றாக் கூடும்"  
 வரவுக்குள் செலவை அடக்கி வாழாதவர்கள் வாழ்க்கை செழிப்புள்ளது போல் தோன்றி பின்னர் அழிந்துவிடும். 'சிந்தனை செய்து பாருங்கள் சிக்கனம் தேவை உணருங்கள்'. 'சிக்கனம் என்பது முக்கியம், அதுவே நமக்கு அத்தியாவசியம்' சிக்கனம் என்பது நாம் பணத்தை சேமிப்பது மட்டுமல்ல தண்ணீரையும் சேமித்தல் வேண்டும். கற்றாழையும் தன் தண்ணீர்ப்பகுதியில் நீரை சேமிக்கிறது. 'நீரின்றி அமையாது உலகு' எனவே தண்ணீரையும் சேமிப்போம் நம் குடி நீருக்காவது



உதவட்டும் மீதமுள்ளதை கொடுத்துதவுவோம் நம்புமித்தாயின் தாகம் தணிக்க சேமிப்போம் நீரை செழிப்பாக்குவோம் வாழ்வை.

நாம் ஓடி விளையாடி கீழே விழும் போது நம்மை தாங்கிப் பிடிப்பது பூமி. நாம் எங்கே போனாலும் வாழ உதவுவதும் மண் தான் எனவே மண்ணை மூச்சு திணை வைக்கும் நெகிழி என்னும் கொடிய விஷத்திலிருந்தும், தினமும் தீயை அள்ளிக் கொட்டும் பூச்சிமருந்திலிருந்தும் பாதுகாப்போம். நெகிழிக்கு பதிலாக துணிப்பையையும், செயற்கை உரத்திற்கு பதிலாக இயற்கை உரத்தினையும், மண்ணரிப்பை தடுக்க மரங்களையும் வளர்ப்போம்.

- த. நிஷா நந்தினி, தமிழாசிரியை



# Global Buzz

## KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS

By Kavin.K, VA

**K**ARGIL VIJAY DIWAS was named after the successful „Operation Vijay“ which is celebrated in India on 26th July. On this date in 1999 India successfully took command of the high outposts which had been lost to Pakistan. Indian soldiers successfully recaptured mountain heights that had been seized by Pakistan. We celebrated our 20th anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas. The Kargil War was the last time India and Pakistan came to a full-blown armed conflict. The Kargil War was fought for more than 60 days which ended on 26th July. This day is celebrated in the Kargil-Dras sector and the national capital New Delhi where the Prime Minister of India pays homage to the soldiers at Amar Jawan Jyoti at India Gate every year. Some soldiers in this war were Vikram Batra, Sanjay Kumar and Anuj Nayyar.

- “The true soldier fights not because he hates what is in front of him, but because he loves what is behind him.”

- IF YOU WORSHIP YOUR BOLLYWOOD STARS OR



## **WORLD UFO DAY**

By Santosh kumar

This is a particular day where people around the world watch the skies to see UFO. UFO's are a rare sighting in which aliens from other planets visit the earth. It could mean extraterrestrial life lurking somewhere outside the solar system. UFO stands for Unidentified flying object. It is celebrated on either June 24<sup>th</sup> or July 2<sup>nd</sup>. There is also a study of UFO's called Ufology.

Sceptics believe that they could have highly intelligent technology and know the secrets of the universe. Many people believe in it while some don't. It is also found to be that aliens have assisted human civilization build their ritual sculptures such as the statues of the Easter island and Stonehenge and some believe the pyramids were helped by aliens. The rocks should be more than a 1000 pounds which indicates us that humans couldn't have done this work thus it should be by extraterrestrial life.

This day is an international day. Scientists have found that aliens need electricity to charge their ships as many sightings report about glowing dots when lightning strikes. Either they could be friend or foe.



They are also similar sightings caused by aliens but they were not present such as square shaped clouds etc. Early people have also drawn lines to show that they were present such example is the Nazca lines in Peru situated in South America. If you look at it carefully you can see pictures of animals drawn in a large area.

## **PAPER BAG DAY**

By B. Reethu, VC

Paper bag day is celebrated on 12th July every year to make people aware about the use of paper bags that contribute to fight with the climatic change and environment pollution.

It is very important to preserve our planet for future generations. Paper bags which are recyclable and biodegradable products help us to avoid plastic bags which destroy the environment. Also, paper bags are strong and used for all occasions.

### **Advantages of Paper Bags:**

- Paper bags are eco-friendly.
- Packaging in paper bags are very attractive.
- They are easily recyclable.
- Paper bags are biodegradable and do not leftover toxins.
- They are inexpensive and practical to use.



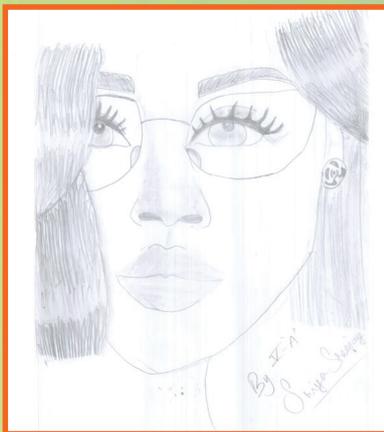
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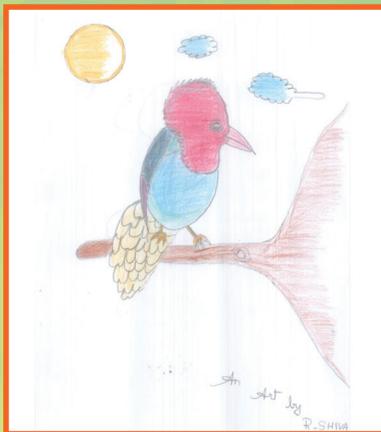
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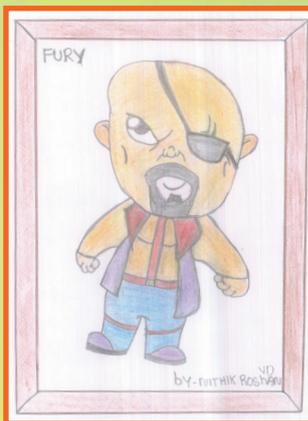
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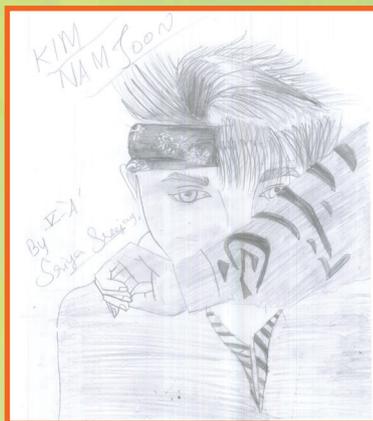
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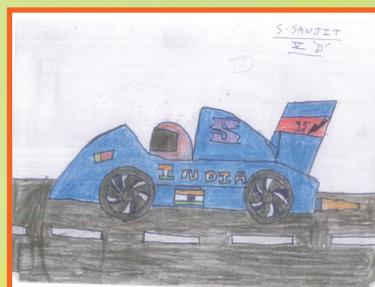
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