



Newsletter

## FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK

The other day I was listening to a discourse by a great person. Someone in the audience asked a question. 'How do we ensure that children do not get angry?' His answer was, "Ask your child to play football." He also mentioned that children should have scope for Music, Dance, Art and Creative activities.

We, in the School have lots of opportunities for these activities specially upto Std VIII. At the same time, I must say that we cannot aim at professional standards in the School. If parents want good standards in whatever children pursue in School, parents have to provide special training outside the School.

With our emphasis totally on academics, we are ignoring the above aspects. Maybe that is the reason for so much of discord among young people.

Academics are very important. However we should also pay importance to various hobbies if our youngsters have to grow up as responsible citizens.

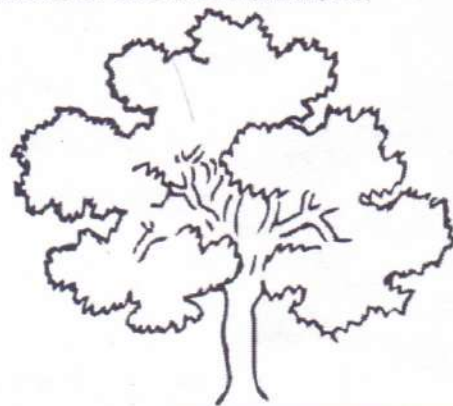
JEEVANA SCHOOL

# World Environment Day celebrated

- At Jeevana - Visalakshipuram

World Environment Day is celebrated on 5<sup>th</sup> June and it was instituted by the United Nations to stimulate worldwide awareness of the environment. This year's World Environment Day was celebrated in Jeevana Visalakshipuram on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2010. A small assembly presentation was performed. The programme was presided over by Ms.Chitra, Advisor, Jeevana Visalakshipuram and Ms.Leelavathi, Headmistress, Jeevana Visalakshipuram. The students from Standards I to VI took part in the World Environment Day Celebrations.

The programme commenced with a speech by S.K.Shanmukham of Std V describing the significance of celebrating the World Environment Day. Following this, a brief speech was given by Arun Krishna of Std VI on Environment Protection and Conservation. He pointed out the importance of diverse life forms for the well being of humanity and our duty to safeguard the environment. Then the teachers sang the song, 'We kill the world' (Lyrics attached). Thereafter, a sapling was given to Ms.Chitra by Sruthi of Std III and it was later planted in the school. Yuvan Shankar of Std IV was the compere. Posters and slogans on environmental protection were put up at several places to make students aware of the environment.





## WE KILL THE WORLD

I see mushrooms, atomic mushrooms.  
 I see rockets, missiles in the sky.  
 Day by day, more and more,  
 Where will this lead to  
 and what is this good for?  
 A Poor World, Poor World.

Concrete's rising up,  
 where yesterday was park,  
 you heard the Robin's Song.  
 Heavy tractor runs  
 where air was clean and cool  
 make money, bringing fuel.

Where will this lead to  
 and what is this good for?  
 A Poor World, Poor World.

We kill the world  
 kill the world.  
 We surely do  
 In peace we do!  
 We kill the world  
 kill the world  
 Because we don't know  
 what we do.

Fishes doomed to die  
 as people live close by.  
 and oak tree falls with moon.  
 Parking lots will come.  
 where flower fields were bright  
 as junkyard covers sight!

Promenades must go  
 so cars can drive in row.  
 New factory towers tall,  
 Farmhouse had to fall.  
 No flowers in the air,  
 pollution everywhere.

Where will this lead to  
 and what is this good for?  
 A Poor world, Poor World.

We kill the world  
 kill the world  
 We surely do  
 In peace we do!  
 We kill the world  
 kill the world  
 Because we don't know  
 what we do.

Don't kill the world,  
 don't let her down.  
 Do not destroy basic ground.  
 Don't kill the world,  
 our means of life  
 Lend ear to nature's cry.

Don't kill the world  
 She's all we have,  
 And surely is worth to save.  
 Don't let her die,  
 fight for her trees.  
 Pollution robs air to breathe.

Don't kill the world,  
 help her survive,  
 And she'll reward you with life.  
 And don't just talk,  
 Go on and do,  
 the one who wins is you.

## FRIENDSHIP DAY

I am G. S. Hari Hara Krishnan of Standard VIII-A, Jeevana School, Ponmeni, Madurai. I have a lovely way of looking at things. Good friends sometimes fight. When my friend and I have a disagreement, we don't take it to heart. The next day when we meet during the morning tea break, we're back to normal, we don't even talk about what happened or why it happened.

Even today my friends and I look back on all those silly fights that we've had over the years and have a hearty laugh. Sometimes those things don't matter after a while. And it's definitely not worth losing such wonderful friends over tiny disagreements! As Aristotle, says "wishing to be friends is quick work but friendship is a slow-ripening fruit." It is a process of loving, laughing and making up those small fights.

Cheers to another friendship day!

G.S. Hari Hara Krishnan  
 Standard VIII A



## HAVE IT YOUR WAY

Design can be art; design can be aesthetics; design is so simple, that's why it is so complicated....

For many people, happiness comes from creating new things and making discoveries. Enhancing one's creativity may therefore also enhance well-being. We recently experienced it.

Happy to be the part of the 20th anniversary celebrations of The Hindu Young World. It is such a beautiful rich experience to find ourselves innovative and creative to design our own Young World Supplement.

What a chance to compete in the contemporary design world of the 21st century!!! Initially, ideas started to stream for all our team members and we struggled hard to limit ourselves. We categorized A-Z of our streaming ideas into various headings. Our division of work highlighted amazing facts, brain stormers, environmental issues, educational matters, health tips, important days plus lot more with appropriate visuals and illustrations. Our cheering continued till the end. To fatten up, our students expressed their passion, imagination and their desire for the readers.

The supplement we designed is reader-friendly and undoubtedly it is a paper for all.

The TEAM thanks the Management for the chance to enjoy the intellectual education amusement. It spices up our life; it pumps up our adrenaline and keeps our energy flowing .....

Long Live Young World!!!

*Ms. Vidya  
GK Teacher*



## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

It was the 6<sup>th</sup> of August, and there we were, by the side of the stage, waiting with bated breaths for our time to come..... And it did come. It was a play comprising scenes and messages spun out of our imagination and that's what made it even more interesting for us. It gave us an opportunity to put a little of ourselves in every scene. What really was a challenge for every one of us was to make sure the message we wanted to spread did not make the skit boring for the audience [which is not quite easy, if I may say so]. That message was not one about peace or environment. It was about both.

On World Peace Day, we wanted to spread awareness about how the stability and health of our surrounding environment can deeply affect the inner peace within each individual, and how that could in turn cause an impact on World Peace.

It was a beautiful day for it and we were certainly in the highest of spirits. With white bands on our wrists to symbolize peace and with badges pinned to our uniforms saying 'Jeevana's cool kids Helping a Warm planet', we strutted around the school, with the spirit of a team which believed it could make a difference. It was indeed a remarkable team, comprising Naveena, Vidya, Janani, Rachel, Karthiga, Anandavalli, Benita, Soma Sundari and myself.

Throughout the day, we couldn't wait for the school to end, after which we would start on our Peace Awareness Campaign, which would involve visiting 20 or 30 houses and distributing pamphlets and tree saplings to spread the message of 'Trees for Peace'. The pamphlets were made out of mashed waste paper, to emphasize on recycling. The campaign was as good as we expected it to be. We had beds of fun, marching through the streets, going from house to house and deciding whose turn it was to speak or carry the bags.

When we finished our message of white and green, we observed a moment of silence, in memory of the victims of wars [especially those of Hiroshima and Nagasaki] and other forms of violence. During the moment of profound silence, we discovered in our hearts, the peace of knowing the value of what we did.

We thank the school management for having given this opportunity to make a difference. It was one of those memorable days which could have lasted a little longer.

R. MEENAKSHI  
Standard XI



**Students presenting sapling**



## Ponmeni Junior Section – STD I

### A MONTESSORI EXPERIENCE

The Montessori classroom caters to all types of learning. For the lesson on **Sense Organs** the children of Standard I were taken to the Montessori Lab. Children were given concrete materials and they learnt the concept of senses. The five senses are the Auditory Senses, Olfactory sense, Tactile sense, Visual Sense and Gustatory sense. Various materials were presented. Learning through the 5 senses plays an important factor in the Montessori Education. Children were given sound boxes, musical instruments for hearing; flowers, tea bags and various spices for smell; all types of touch board, fabrics for touch; beautiful pictures and colours for visual; and lemon juice, sugar and salt for taste. All the children understood the concepts and enjoyed.

M.S. Rajalakshmi

Headmistress Prep Section



children of Standard I in the Montessori Lab



**A.S. Hariharan** of Standard VII – D was the winner in Cadet Boys Singles in the state level table tennis tournament held on 29.05.2010 at Ponjesly College of Engineering, Nagercoil. He was also the winner in Cadet Boys and winner in Sub-Junior boys in the Open District Interschool Table Tennis Tournament held on 21.06.2010 at V.K.K. Play Group School, Madurai.

**S. Supraja** of Standard VII – E participated in the district level badminton tournament.

**Mohamed Rahis** of Standard VII – A secured the third place in the sub junior boys doubles annual regetta conducted by the Kodaikanal Boat and Rowing Club.

**R.M.Gowri** of Standard VII – E won the first place in solo sparks, second place in memory quest, first place in poem writing conducted by Yoga Fest 2010 at P.K.N.Matriculation & Higher Secondary School, Tirumangalam on 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2010.

**T.Subbusundaram** won the third place in the state level chess tournament conducted by the Vajpayee Charitable Trust on 10-07-2010 and 11-07-2010 at Pudukkottai. He also won the second place in the state level chess tournament conducted by the King Pawn Chess Academy, Kapistalam on 18-07-2010.

**Sagar Das** of Standard V – A got Grade I with distinction in Theory of Music conducted by the Music Literacy Foundation of the Trinity College, Chennai.

**V.Ramya** of Standard VIII – A, the champion swimmer from Jeevana participated in the Madurai District Swimming Meet – 2010 (held on 16.07.2010) and secured the following prizes:

50m Butterfly	:	I Place
50m Backstroke	:	I Place
50m Freestyle	:	I Place

She also participated in the swimming competition held by the Association of Schools for the Indian School Certificate on 07.08.2010 where she secured the following prizes:

100 m Butterfly	:	II Place
100 m Backstroke	:	II Place
100 m Freestyle	:	II Place



She was selected from Tamil Nadu Region to attend the National Meet at Kolkata on the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2010.

She was also selected for the Tamilnadu team for the 4 x 100 metre medley relay and participated in the national meet held by the SGFI (School Game Federation of India) during the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of November, 2010 at Kolapur in Maharashtra.

### **NATIONAL LEVEL WORDSWORTH SPELL BEE COMPETITION**

#### **WINNER LIST:**

S. Hariram of Std X : 7th Place

### **MADURAI DISTRICT AQUATIC ASSOCIATION CONDUCTED 23RD AGE-GROUP DISTRICT LEVEL SWIMMING MEET-2010 AT JAIN VIDYALAYA- TIRUPPALAI ON 27TH OCT 2010**

The following Students brought laurel to the school.

S.No	Name of the Student	Event	Place
1.	S.R.Vigneswaran	Backstroke	III
2.	A. Prasath	Backstroke, Freestyle	I
3.	S. Veera	Back stroke, Freestyle	II
4.	M. Guhan	Backstroke, Freestyle	III
5.	Hamsini.E.V	Freestyle	II
		Breaststroke	II
		Butterflystroke	II
6.	M.Pooja	Freestyle	I
7.	E.V.Shobini	Freestyle	II
8.	A.C.Sneka	Backstroke	I
		Freestyle	II
9.	E.V.Shobini	Backstroke	II
10.	Pooja	Backstroke	III

S.Abinaya, XII 'C' & J.Jeswin Prince, XII 'C' secured II prize in District Level Mathematics Quiz for Higher Secondary, conducted by S.B.O.A Mat.Hr.Sec.School. Madurai

## *Mavericks – One of a Kind*

Sindhuja Sivarajah

The whole of the twelfth standard was filled with joy and enthusiasm about the Intra School Competition that we were going to conduct as thanksgiving to the school. Not only did we feel blissful but also responsible. We had to decide and take care of a lot of things.

We stayed united about almost everything except when it came to deciding the name. All of us came up with lots of names like Fiesta, Impulse and Rule Breakers etc.. We finally decided the name by the traditional method of voting! 'Mavericks' won with 41 votes. Everyone finally agreed to this one name as it was and meant '**One of a Kind.**'

All of us were put into different committees which took care of a specific event. There were five events for each class. Everything was well planned by our Headmaster, Mr.Ganesan. We conducted prelims for events with lots of participants, like Shipwrecked and Dumb charades. A few final events like Sudoku, painting and face painting were also conducted before the 28<sup>th</sup> of August.

Everything went on well as per our schedule. On 27<sup>th</sup> of August all of us were both anxious and excited. Our Headmaster and Co-ordinator called for a meeting. We assembled. We went through our plans checking and rechecking them. We decided to give a gift for the school. Some of the boys along with Mr.Ganesan and Mr.Muthusubramanian went and bought a tape recorder that could play CDs and pendrives.



28<sup>th</sup> August finally dawned. All of us were excited. The competitions started at the stroke of 9. Sweets were distributed to the teachers, sub staff and the students of Class 12. All the competitions went on well. A lot of us were running about here and there distributing sweets and getting the results and handling them over to the Headmaster.

'All's well that ends well' and so all the contests came to an end. We had a break of about 20 minutes. Then we got ready for prize distribution. Dalton and Mangaiyarkarasi of Standard 12-C hosted the Prize Distribution Ceremony. The welcome address was given by Vigneshwari of Standard 12-C. The Vice headboy of our school, David Leonard who was celebrating his birthday was greeted. Chairman Mr.M.S.Iyengar gave away the certificates to the winners. He then addressed the gathering. The gift was presented by the headgirl, S. Abinaya. Then, the national anthem was played, and a la fin the show came to an end. Everything went on well and all of us enjoyed the whole day. We were all sort of sad leaving school that Saturday evening. It was a really memorable day.

It was a real pleasure spending a few weeks of our last year at school on this event. We thank all the teachers for all their help. Our heartfelt gratitude to the Chairman and the Principal for letting us to do this event and for all the assistance. A huge thanks to Mr.Ganesan and Mr.Muthusubramanian, for always being there with us and for guiding us in everything. We also thank all the participants without whom there would never have been any mavericks. Thank you all, for making 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2010, the most tremendous and unforgettable day for twelfth standard.

### A Morning Walk on a Rainy Day

A Morning walk on a rainy,  
On the wet mind and a cool day;  
We feel so cool,  
To walk on foot;  
The healthy time to be used,  
We feel so happy and lucky too;  
The crystal droplets,  
And the green trees,  
Who try to speak,  
In the cool breeze.

H. Reshma  
VII A

# Leo Club Inauguration



The Jeevana Leo Club has successfully and triumphantly entered the 15<sup>th</sup> year after accomplishing its usual and special tasks all these 14 years. The 15<sup>th</sup> installation ceremony was held on 20.07.2010 in the august presence of our Chairman Mr.M.S.Iyengar, Mrs.Iyengar and our Principal Mrs.Nirmala Visveswaran. The traditional kuthuvilakku was lit by our correspondent Mrs.Iyengar and our Principal Mrs. Nirmala Visveswaran as a symbolic action that the illuminating rays of the lamp travels and penetrates the places of darkness, bringing in illumination, driving away the pain and agony, welcoming joy and delight among the socially under privileged physically challenged and old aged .

Let the service of the Leo Club continue this year too so that the help and service reaches exactly the poor and needy.

Dr. Miriam Benedicta  
Suriya Devi

## RAJARAJESWARAM DANCE FEAT

A dance festival was organized in Thanjavur on the 25<sup>th</sup> September 2010 as a mark of celebration of the 1000<sup>th</sup> year of Raja Raja, the Great, the imperial Chola ruler of the yester years. The ascetically conceived and artistically executed Bharathanatiam programme was choreographed by the renowned dancer Ms.Padma Subramaniam. The faculty member of Jeevana Ms.V.Vaijayanthimala, a Tamil teacher, with Harshini (V Std), Shanmathi (X Std) and Meena (VII Std) brought pride to the school by taking part in the programme. They danced to the songs composed by Karuvur Thevar and the Siva Panchaksharam. The programme was witnessed by the Honourable Chief Minister of Tamilnadu Kalaignar Dr.M.Karunanithi, his cabinet colleagues and thousands of people. Steps are afoot to enter the mega event in the Guinness Book of Records.

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## **LEO CLUB FIRST SERVICE PROJECT FOR THE YEAR**

### **2010 - 2011**

The first Service Project of this Year was carried out on 01.11.2010 at Birds Nest ' Girls orphanage. There are about 38 intimates who are aged between 6 and 20 and also a few elders.

Jeevana Leo club had done this service project as Diwali celebration with the socially back trodden children. Our beloved Chairman has donated 24 steel chairs to the orphanage and the inmates who were hitherto sitting on the floor are more comfortable now.

Our Std XI students spent Rs.4,000/- and bought 40 new nightwear and donated them to the inmates. Apart from that, Jeevanites donated usable used dresses, fancy things, biscuits, chocolates, sweets and stationery items.

We spent around an hour with the inmates. We returned to our school with the contentment that our service project indeed reached the poor and needy.

May God bless all those who have by and large donated for this service project.

Dr. Miriam.B.Suriya Devi  
Leo Advisor

### **BEST GIFT**

Friends are great and never **bad**,  
They make you happy whenever you are **sad**,  
Friends are kind and share **everything**  
They never mind when you tease them about **anything**.  
Friends are the best gifts you ever **had**  
They are the best persons after your mom and **dad**.

R.S.Subha Sree  
Standard VII-A

07/09/2010

*Dear Sir,*

*We would like to convey our sincere appreciation to the team of Jeevana School (LKG Section) for the Sports day celebration on 03/09/2010. It was well arranged and organised. Our appreciation for their selfless support to understand each Child's Psychology that motivates them in their own way.*

*The hard work and dedication of each staff exemplify the characteristics of strong team and our best wishes to each one for their support and care.*

*Thanks & Regards*

M. KUMAR

Mrs. JANAKI KUMAR

P/O AKSHAYASREE, PRE KG.

*Respected Teacher,*

*I think, I should appreciate the Sports Day! Undoubtedly Jeevana stands 'Unique' always! The 'House Wise' March past of the kids in the name of 'Jolly Parade' was fabulous to watch. To the parents it gave the feel of watching the Olympics, as it was systematic and organized in a well refined manner. It was really fantastic and the ground looked like a colourful garden of flowers.*

*When the children assembled in front of the chief guest under the flags, each child's face was filled with pride & happiness. Nowhere it could lie. Thanks to Jeevana.*

M. Mohammed Riaz,

T/a. M.S. Rahman,

U.K.G. 'B',



# Young World-Collage-Article

Making a mess in the School Library, planning and designing a project with



friends, bunking classes for two whole days-who would say 'no' to such an opportunity? So there we were, five of us(Nisha, Gokila, Vidya, Janani and myself), tearing up old collection of young world in the library, in order to create the perfect collage for the YW@20 competition. The result of all that team spirit,

enthusiasm and hard work was one amazing poster bearing the caption- 'Young World... where young minds reign'.

We had lots of help from our heads and teachers who provided many inspiring ideas and guided us throughout the creation of the collage. To give shape to our ideas, we drew an image of the Earth wearing a crown which was filled with pictures of young achievers, and used sparklers as a part of the finishing touch.

It was a proud and happy moment indeed, when after two days of work, we held the poster against the light and observed with wide eyes, the piece of art that we had created together. It was a pure symbol of team work and dedication. And then, something totally unexpected happened- our collage bagged the First Prize in the competition! Obviously, we felt elated and could hardly contain our joy, because we know that was one unforgettable part of our school life, that we had experienced.

- Meenakshi

XI-C



## **GRATITUDE FOR THE FORTITUDE BESTOWED**

When I was informed to write an article for our beloved Jeevana's Newsletter I felt elated. But soon the ecstasy gave way to sobriety. I kept on wondering "What should my article be based upon?", "On what relevant topic to the present generation should I write?" – Tired of pondering over, I just started to pen down my thoughts.

My first step into Jeevana was with a palpitating heart that bore the anxiety of whether I would be accepted in a prestigious institution and by the sophisticated students. Will I, can I survive in the new ambience? Initially I had to face hardships, the struggle withered off once I realized that I was being the bottleneck in my own progress. My pessimistic perspective inhibited me from being myself. This realization dawned late ..... but better late than never.

Not being a gregarious person, my social circle was limited, yet I grew accustomed to the environment. Individuals from different walks of life are moulded in this lovable home, there is no room for generation gap, am sure none feels like a fish out of pond. Eventually did every alumnus realize that our heaven was our school – Jeevana and we yearn for those memorable moments of our days in Jeevana.

Instead of being dumb driven cattle we were guided to lead our own way, to be the architect of our dream and our aspirations. Jeevana focuses on holistic development, bringing out the unique talent in each individual. Heuristic approach to learning is followed neck – to – neck with inculcating humanitarian beliefs.



Talent time, cycle tests, humongous library, enriching newsletter, interschool events, sports day, annual day, prefectorial ceremony, thanks giving, farewell are some of the well known highlights. Monday morning blues, silly bickering, enthu of cultural, invaluable wisdom shared by guiding beacons, knowledge of subject imparted by friendly mentors drove us to be unique personalities, daring the world to maintain our individuality.

The public exam was a nightmare. Not because of the fear of scoring but due to the divergent path available and the conundrum that it resulted in. Depressed over leaving the comfort zone, stressed about choosing the career, the mind wavered, chivalrous heart of Jeevanites 'strived to excel'. With the unwavering staunch support of our teachers, parents and friends we did find a foothold.

If you follow your heart with a pragmatic mindset and put in smart work am sure each and every one shall scale the pinnacle. Never be traumatized over the results. Whatever may be the consequences, we are responsible individuals who can handle all situations. There are only peaks and valleys. Doom awaits those who give up.

Ranks and marks are not parameters to judge one's skill and knowledge. The criteria for happiness and success is confidence, a heart that endures both phases of life, a down to earth mind that believes in humanity, the will to move on, the act of living in the present and the realization that you are the master of yourself. The ball is always in your court. In the game of life, the enemy is you – your fear of failure, your inhibition to try, your laziness to give up. May you not forget that you are your best ally and worst foe.

Victory in life differs – scoring high or an increase in daily wage or providing a helping hand or spreading smiles, all simple mundane things count. It is not the magnificence of a monument that makes it awesome but the intricacies in its carving and in its architecture that adds splendor. Though the turf may be strong and tends to tear you apart never lose faith in what you believe. Perspiration and perseverance pave way to prosperity. Learn for the joy of acquiring knowledge, work for the joy of assimilating wisdom, thrive for the joy of learning, strive for the joy of bliss, live for the joy of living.

*All these are lessons gained from life and Jeevana – its well wishing tutors and friendly students. I live the way I love life, I love the way I live life. My heartfelt gratitude for bestowing this fortitude upon me by those helping hands, I remain indebted to you all.*

N.SOWNDRA  
2007 PASS OUT BATCH

### ATTENTION PARENTS

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## What happens in MBBS...?

**MBBS** stands for Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery. It is the undergraduate courses that you should pursue in order to become a doctor (except for Dentistry for which you should study BDS – Bachelor of Dental Surgery). MBBS in Tamilnadu is a 5½ years course. In some states in India there is an additional rural internship.

In the first one year you learn Anatomy, Physiology and Biochemistry. It is basically like a school in the first year. You spend the whole time in college. In Anatomy you learn about the structure of the human body with the help of dissection of cadavers (dead human bodies). In physiology you learn how the normal human body functions. In Biochemistry you learn about the metabolism of various substances in the body, structure of the various biomolecules and a little about genetics. There'll be theory and practical exams at the end of the first year.

In the second year you'll learn pharmacology, Pathology, Microbiology and Forensic Medicine. Second year comprises of 1½ years duration. It is in the second year that you'll start going to the hospital. Everyday in the morning you'll attend to the hospital and in the afternoons you'll have classes on the second year subjects in the college. In Pharmacology you'll learn all about the drugs used in medicine. In Pathology, you'll learn about the disease process. It's basically an upgraded version of physiology where you'll learn about the abnormal functioning of the human body. In microbiology you'll learn about the various organisms causing disease. In Forensic Medicine you'll learn about legal aspects of medicine, changes in human body after death, post-mortems, medical aspects of crime scene investigation and the effects of various poisons on the human body. You'll have theory and practical exams on these 4 subjects at the end of 1½ years.

In the hospital you'll be posted to various departments in turns. You'll have to learn about the patients and diseases in practices. These are called clinical postings. This is the most interesting part of MBBS.

In the third year you'll learn ophthalmology, otorhinolaryngology (ENT) and Community Medicine. Like in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year you'll have clinical postings in the mornings and theory classes in the afternoons. You'll have Community Medicine classes right from the first year. But you'll learn the majority of the subject in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year. In ophthalmology you'll learn about diseases of the eye. In Otorhinolaryngology you'll learn about the disorder of ear, nose and throat. You'll have to pay special attention to the Opthal and ENT postings in the hospital during this year. You'll be required to examine patients and discuss about their disease. In Community Medicine you'll learn about the public health, prevention of diseases and biostatistics. At the end of one year you'll attend the theory and practical exams. The practical exams of opthal and ENT are called clinical exams and are conducted in the hospital.

In the fourth year you'll learn Medicine, Surgery, Orthopedics, Obstetrics & Gynecology (O&G) and pediatrics. The rule of clinics in the morning and theory in the afternoon applies now as well. In Medicine you'll combine the knowledge you've gained all these years and apply them to treat diseases by giving medicines. In Surgery you'll learn about treating diseases by surgery. In orthopedics you'll learn about fractures and diseases of musculoskeletal system. In obstetrics you'll learn about pregnancy and delivery. In Gynecology you'll learn about the diseases of the female reproductive system. In surgery and O&G you'll be posted to operation theatres where you can see live surgeries being done. In pediatrics you'll learn about handling diseases in children and neonates.



Though you learn all these subjects vastly in the final year, you'll be posted to these departments in the hospital right from your 2<sup>nd</sup> year. So learning the final year subjects starts in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year. At the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> year there'll be theory and clinical exams in these subjects. Till the 3<sup>rd</sup> year you'll be allowed to carry arrears, that is, if you fail in one or more subjects you'll be allowed to go to the next year provided you clear the subjects in the next 6 months. But if you fail in one or more subjects in the final year you'll break for 6 months, that is your course duration of 5½ years will increase till you clear all the subjects.

After 4 ½ years (if you finish all the subjects in time) of intense study, the last year comes as an entirely different experience. No more college work. You'll have to spend the whole time in the hospital. You'll be posted to various departments as you were during your previous years, but this time as an intern or house – surgeon. You'll gain hands-on experience in examining patients, diagnosing diseases and treating the patients under the guidance of senior doctors. You'll learn about handling emergencies, assisting for surgeries, conducting deliveries and certain other basic medical skills. Basically the one year internship is to apply what you've learnt till now. You'll become a good doctor if you use your clinical postings and internship well.

Getting an MBBS seat is quite easy, if you study well in your +2. Concentrate on Biology, Physics and Chemistry well. You can also try writing the MBBS entrance exams conducted by various institutes like AIIMS, Delhi and JIPMER, Pondicherry. These are premier institutes where doing a medical course has lot of value.

Studying MBBS is not as tough as you think. Meanwhile it's not also as easy as you might think. Choose medicine only if you're really interested in it and not on the compulsion of others. Doing medicine with interest will be the most enjoyable thing on earth. Doing it without interest can be the most distressing thing as well .....

Dr. A.R. Karthik MBBS.,  
(2004 Batch Jeevanite)

## எந்தப் பக்கம் நீங்கள்

வெற்றி. தோல்வி ! வடிவேலு படத்தில் சொல்வார், “ வெற்றியும் தோல்வியும் வீரனுக்கு சகஜம்!” அதில் நகைச்சுவை ததும்பியிருந்தாலும், சற்று உன்னிப்பாக கவனித்தேன். வாழ்க்கையில் மனிதனை வித்தியாசப்படுத்துவதும் இந்த வெற்றியும் தோல்வியும் தான். இது சச்சின் டெண்டுல்கருக்கும் பொருந்தும் சாதாரண சாமிநாதனுக்கும் பொருந்தும். ஆனால் இந்த இரண்டுமே ஒருவரின் மனதிடத்தை பொருத்தே என்று விஞ்ஞானம் விவரிக்கிறது.

உங்கள் மனதிடம் என்பது இங்கே எதனைக் குறிக்கிறது??? “நான் வெற்றி பெறவேண்டும்” என்பதையா அல்லது “நான் தோல்வி கண்டுவிடக்கூடாது” என்பதையா ??? அட என்னங்க ? ரெண்டும் ஒண்ணுதானே என்கிறீர்களா? வித்தியாசம் காணலாம். தொடர்கிறேன்.

நான் வெற்றி பெறவேண்டும் என்று நீங்கள் என்று நீங்கள் எண்ணும் போது உங்கள் கவனம் முழுவதும் அந்த வெற்றிக்கனி மீதே பதிந்திருக்கும். செல்வதற்கான வழிமுறைகளை உங்கள் மனமும், புத்தியும் சிந்திக்கும் செயல்படுத்தும். தோல்வியைப் பற்றி நீங்கள் துளியும் நினைத்தப் பார்ப்பதில்லை காரணம் உங்கள் கவனம் வெற்றியை நோக்கி பயணிக்கிறது.



நான் தோல்வி கண்டுவிடக்கூடாது என்றஎண்ணம் நீங்கள் தோல்வியை நேரிடும் காரணங்களை நோக்கி புறப்படுகிறது. விழி மூடி நீங்கள் தோல்வியை பற்றி சிந்திக்கும் வேளையில், வெற்றி என்கின்றமுழுமதியை நீங்கள் ரசிக்க தவறுகிறீர்கள். இது மனதில் ஒரு விதமான அழுத்தத்தை உண்டாக்குமே தவிர ஆனந்தத்தை தராது. நீங்கள் முயற்சி கொள்ளும் ஒவ்வொரு விஷயத்திலும் தோற்றுவிடக்கூடாது என்று எண்ணி தோல்விக் கே பரிசளிக்கிறீர்கள்!

பள்ளி வாழ்க்கையில் ஒரு மாணவனுக்கு தேர்வு என்கிறபாகற்காய் இங்கே விதிவிலக்கல்ல! ஆக, ஒரு மாணவரின் சிந்தனை எப்படி இருக்குமென்றால், “நான் தேர்வில் தோல்வி கண்டுவிடக்கூடாது” என்றோதான். வெற்றி பெறவேண்டும் என்று எண்ணுபவன் திட்டமிட்டு காய் நகர்த்தி தன் எண்ணத்தை செயல்படுத்துவான். அதாவது, அட்டவணையிட்டு படித்து, புதிய கேள்விகளுக்கான விடைதேடி, தன்னம்பிக்கையுடன் தன்னை தேர்வென்னும் போர்க்களத்திற்கு தயார் செய்து கொள்கிறேன்.

நேர் மாறாக, தோல்வி கண்டுவிடக்கூடாது என்பவனை ஒரு விதமான பயமும், தயக்கமும் தொடர்ந்து கொண்டேதான் இருக்கும். “தெரியாத கேள்வி வருமா” “கேள்வி கடினமாக இருக்குமோ” என்றகுழப்பத்திலேயே, எளிதான கேள்விக்கு பதற்றத்தில் தவறாக பதிலளித்து தோல்வியை தழுவுகிறோம்.

சிந்தியுங்கள் ஜீவனர்களே நீங்கள் எழுதப்போகும் தேர்வாக இருக்கட்டும், வாழும் வாழ்க்கையாக இருக்கட்டும் என்ன சொல்கிறீர்கள்?

“நான் வெற்றி பெறவேண்டும்” என்றா? அல்லது

“நான் தோல்வி கண்டுவிடக்கூடாது” என்றா?

■ எந்தப் பக்கம் நீங்கள்???

■ எஸ். கார்த்திகேயன்

■ ஜீவனா (2001 - 2003)

## அம்மாவுக்கும், ஆசானுக்கும்

களிமண்ணுக்கும் பொம்மை தான்  
செய்ய முடியும் என்ற  
நிலையை மாற்றி அதில்  
சிற்பமும் செய்ய முடியும்  
என்று கற்றுத் தந்தீர் !  
என்னால் இது தான்  
முடியும் என்று நினைத்த போது  
உன்னால் எதுவும் முடியும்  
என்று நம்பிக்கை தந்தீர்  
என் தாய்க்கும் உனக்கும்  
வித்தியாசம் உண்டு  
பத்து திங்கள் சுமக்காத  
குறைதான் ஒன்று.



இரா. ராகவி



**SEASON'S GREETINGS  
AND A  
VERY HAPPY 2011  
TO ALL!**







## FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK

Parents who are with the School for a number of years, I am sure, are aware that the School does not follow a beaten track and experiments with new ideas in Education year after year. In the last few years we have introduced Learning Box, Abacus, Mental Ability, Foundation and AIEEE/ AIIMS training at different levels for our students. We have also introduced teaching through CDs in various subjects for the last two years. Our Teachers have been trained to adopt methods of teaching which are interesting, enjoyable and useful to the students. We have introduced Asset testing scheme from Std.III to Std.VIII in English, Maths & the Sciences. This will enhance the thinking and analytical abilities of students and also enable us to assess our levels compared to the good schools in the country.

This year we are planning to introduce one or two more new Technological aspects which we are assessing before introduction. In short I want you to know that our School tries to introduce modern techniques in the learning scheme to benefit our students. Not only do we try improvements in the teaching - learning process but also in other aspects. This year we have built a covered games area to enable children to play during rainy season and also when it is very hot.

It is necessary that parents keep a close watch on the progress of their wards and revert to the School whenever necessary. The School diary has to be seen regularly if you want to get a good idea of what happens in the School. When you find irregularities in the diary you have to revert to the School. Unfortunately we do not hear from the majority of the Parents unless we call them. Also we get the feeling that many parents are nervous about dealing with children. Love and affection with firmness should be the watchwords and this attitude, I am confident, will yield good results.

## COMPETITIONS AND CELEBRATIONS

27.11.09 'One Nation Reads Together'

**Chief Guests** - Ms. Soma Basu and Ms. S.S.Kavitha from  
'The Hindu'

5.12.09 Farewell hosted by class XI students

8.12.09 McMahon Prize distribution

**Chief Guest** - Mr Mohan Nadar,  
an old student of Mr. McMahon

9.12.09 Thanks giving party hosted by Class XII students.  
The same day we had Interschool competitions.

23.12.09 X'mas & New Year celebrations.

6.2.10 Annual day celebration ( Std VII and Std VIII Students)

7.2.10 Annual day celebration (Std V and Std VI Students)

20.2.10 Annual day celebration ( Std III and Std IV Students)

19.2.10 Annual day celebration ( Visalakshipuram)

10.3.10 Annual day celebration ( Kindergarten section)

11.3.10 Annual day celebration ( Std I and Std II Students)



### It was all J....

Probably the best and worst day of my life was 7th June, 1994.... the day I was permanently taken away from home watching 'The Popeye show', 9 a.m in the morning for the fact of joining a school. "Best, is for the time I had and worst, is I can't have it back".

Days of today would often make me think ... why can't, I go back to my teeny, tiny and always sweet life, where I don't get to work for being considered good, great or best. This life of survival begets me all the time. There was no need for portraying artificial things to make you look better. School days were filled with love, affection and care up to the brim. Everybody's school days are special, but mine is quite a lot.

With reference to the title... in my life it was all Jeevana. For what I'm, today (still a student, days to go) 75% of the credit goes to my school and rest to my dad for paying the fees in spite of such horrible parent-teachers meeting and report cards. Dad was sure that Jeevana was the exact place to groom me. 13 years I had lived in the campus, something close to 'Rama's Vanavasam' but mine was every second in the heaven. Still I remember the first day crying, till the extent of getting dry eyes not going to school. Knowing this my uncle said he would take me to this place called "Pallikoodam". With utmost joy I packed all stuffs and left home..... It was Jeevana. Years passed like a flash.





"An act of growing compassionate citizens through value based education" is the basic function of a school. "Parents of Madurai, kindly note this, Jeevana" does it, a lot. May sound like a testimonial, encouraging students to join Jeevana, but sorry guys, that's the truth ! Jeevanites have always been the exact representatives of the society, ready to take up challenges and also win them. "Teachers identify the right talents in fellow players, and bring the best out of them. A child literally lives most of his time in a school, the place of intellectual growth. So, that place should be ..... an apt one.

Basically I was a talkative student interacting much. Securities, Bus drivers, Teaching staff, Non teaching staff, most of them were very friendly to me. Best part is , even today, they recognize me. Every time I cross the school handling high end rhythmic instruments like Mridangam, Pakhwaj, Ghatam ,Kanjera and Djambe , singer ,choreographer and a fine love of life. All these attributes go to Jeevana for its Talent Time, Culturals, Sports Day and what not providing students with proper amount of Co-curricular activities and chances to enrich personal views and ideas on studying . Students who are reading this, let me tell you one thing.....later don't regret for having missed the times in Jeevana like me. LIVE IT !!!!..... completely.

Abishek Raaja

Old Student

### PROJECTS DONE BY LEO CLUB

-  The first project was in '**BIRDS NEST**' on 19th October, 2009. The Leos donated bathing towels, Stationeries and usable used dresses.
-  Dresses were sent to 'Vidiyal' contributed by Jeevanites. This was our second project in November.
-  Our third project was once again to '**BIRDS NEST**' towards Christmas celebration on 16th Dcember, 2009..
-  Our fourth project was a get together with old people in the 'Inba Illam' old age home at Pasumalai on 19th December, 2009.

- Ms. Miriam Benedicta Suriya Devi  
Leo Advisor



## சொல்ல மறந்த கதைகள்....

என்னுடைய எழுத்துப்பயணத்தில் இதுவும் சிறப்பான தருணம். ஒரு குறுகிய இடைவெளிக்குப்பின் சில பசுமையான நினைவுகளை எழுத சந்தர்ப்பம் அமைந்ததை சந்தோசம் என்றே சொல்லவேண்டும். என் எழுத்தில் கலந்திருக்கும் ஜீவனுக்கும் இந்த ஜீவனாவிற்கும் ஆயுட்கால காதல் உண்டு. ஒரு உயிரின் தொடக்கம் எப்படி கருவரையில் நிகழ்கின்றதோ என் எழுத்துக்கள் நிறம் பெறத் தொடங்கியது இங்கேதான் ! இந்த இருபத்தைந்து அகவையிலும் நான் பயின்ற இந்த இரண்டு வருடங்கள் என்றும் என்னில் நீங்காதவை! நம்பிக்கை அன்பர்கள், அக்கறை ஆசிரிய சிற்பிகள் என்று பல நல் உள்ளங்களுக்கு நான் இப்பொழுதும் அடிமை, நிற்க .... எப்பொழுதும்!

என் கதை தொடங்குகிறது. அன்று 04.07.2001. பொன் கிடைக்கும். ஆனால் அந்த புதன் கிடைக்காது. சுருக்கமாக சொன்னால் ஜீவனாவில் என்னுடைய முதல் நாள். வேடிக்கையாக முடிந்த நாள். புதிய நண்பர்கள் அறிமுகமானாலும் பள்ளியின் சில விதிமுறைகள் எனக்கு அறிமுகமாகவில்லை. கடைசி வகுப்பு முடிந்து மணியோசை கேட்டதுதான் தாமதம். எனக்கும் என் புதிய நண்பனுக்கும் போட்டி. என்ன போட்டி??? பள்ளிப்பேருந்தை யார் முதலில் பிடிப்பது என்று! இரண்டாவது மாடியிலிருந்து புள்ளிமாண்களைப்போல துள்ளிக் கொண்டு ஓட்டம் பிடித்தோம்; வகுப்பறையிலிருந்தும், பள்ளியின் எந்த மூலையிலிருந்தும் யாரும் வரவில்லை என்பதை கவனிக்காமல் ! “Boys ! stop there !!!” எங்கள் ஓட்டத்தை ரசித்துவிட்டு நிறுத்தியது ஒரு அவலக்குரல் ! அந்த ஆசிரியையின் சப்தத்தில் கார்ட்டூன் சேனலில் வரும் ‘டாம் அண்டு ஜெர்ரி’ பொம்மை போல் ஓட்டம் கொண்ட நிலையியிலேயே இருவரும் நின்றோம். யாரும் வகுப்பறையை விட்டு வெளிவரவில்லை என்பதை யூகித்துக் கொண்டிருந்த போதே, எங்கள் செவியில் இசை என்னும் இன்ப வெள்ளம் மெல்ல கரை புரள தொடங்கியது. பிறகு ஆசிரியையிடமிருந்து வீசிய அர்ச்சனை புயல் ஓய்ந்த பிறகே எங்களுக்கு தெரிந்தது பள்ளியில் தினமும் “MEDITATION PERIOD” என்று ஒன்று உள்ளது என்று! அன்று நாங்கள் விழி பிதுங்கி நின்ற காட்சி இன்றும் எனக்கு நகைப்பை மூட்டுகிறது ! அந்த காட்சியை கண்டு ரசித்த சக மாணவர்கள் அன்றே என் சகாக்கள் ஆனார்கள். இதே அனுபவத்தை நீங்களும் கடந்திருக்கலாம். அதிலே நகைச்சுவை ததும்பியிருக்கலாம்.

வேடிக்கையாக ஆரம்பித்த அந்த நாளுடன், ஆசிரியை ஒருவர் வேதனைப்பட்ட நாளையும் இங்கே விவரிக்க வேண்டும். நாள் 22.01.2002, செவ்வாய். உணவு இடைவெளிக்கு முன் அன்று பள்ளியில் பிரார்த்தனை. என் இயற்பியல் ஆசிரியையே எனக்கு வகுப்பாசிரியை. கூடத்தை கடந்து செல்கையில் என்னை அழைத்தார். நண்பர்கள் அனைவரும் சென்றாயிற்று. அப்பொழுது நடைபெற்ற தேர்வுகளில் நான் சொல்லும்படியாக சாதிக்கவில்லை. என் கவனம் அப்பொழுது எழுதித்தில் கால் பதிக்கத் தொடங்கிய காலம். அதை அவரும் அறிவார். என் எழுத்தை சற்றும் குறை கூறாமல், நான்

படிப்பில் தேய்ப்பிறை ஆகிவிடக்கூடாது என்று என்னை அக்கறையுடன் கண்டித்தார். கீழே மாணவர்கள் பரிசளிப்பு விழாவில் கைத்தட்டியதை கேட்டு, என்னை பிராத்தனைக்கு செல்லுமாறு கூறினார். என் செயலை எண்ணி வருந்தினேன் என் நிலையை எனக்கு புரிய வைக்க அவர் காட்டிய அக்கறையை நினைத்து அவரிடம் நன்றி கூறி விடைபெற்றேன், 'சாதிப்பேன்' என்று.

மறுநாள், அதே சூழ்நிலையில், என் ஆசிரியை என்னை அழைத்தார். வணங்கினேன். "நேற்று நீ பரிசு வாங்க மேடைக்கு செல்ல வேண்டும் என்று உனக்கு தெரியுமல்லவா?" "ஆமாம்" என்று தலையசைத்தேன். "அதுதானே உனக்கு முதல் பரிசு?" என்று கேட்பார். மௌனமாக மீண்டும் தலையசைத்தேன்.

முதன்முதலாக கவிதைப்போட்டி ஒன்றில் பங்கெடுத்து மூன்றாம் பரிசு வென்றேன். பிராத்தனை முடிந்து மேடையில் நான் அதனை பெற்றிருக்கவேண்டும். ஆனால், நானோ என் ஆசிரியையிடம் கொண்ட மரியாதையில், அதை வெளிக்காட்ட தயங்கிவிட்டேன். ஆனால் விஷயம் அவருக்கு எப்படியோ எட்டிவிட்டது. அதற்காகத்தான் மீண்டும் அழைத்தார்.

அவர் முகக்கண்ணாடியில் மனம் வருந்தியதை பார்க்கையில், எனக்கு தர்மசங்கடமான சூழ்நிலை. சிவந்த கண்கள், வருத்தத்தை உள்வாங்கிய உள்ளம் என்று அவரை நான் படித்துக் கொண்டிருந்தபோது, புன்னகை முகம் மலர்ந்து, என் கைகலுக்கி "மென்மேலும் வளர வாழ்த்துக்கள்!" என்றார். "நன்றி" சொன்னபோது எனக்கு, முதல் நாள் நாங்கள் கேட்ட கைதட்டல் மீண்டும் ஒலிப்பதுபோல் மனம் உணர்ந்தது.

என் போன்று இன்றும் எண்ணற்ற மாணவ சிற்பிகளை செதுக்கிக் கொண்டிருக்கும் அந்த ஆசிரிய சிற்பிகளைத்தான், நான் என்னை ஈன்றெடுத்த தாய்க்கு பின் வணங்குகிறேன். பெருமை கொள்கிறேன். என்னை பலருக்கு தெரியாமல் இருக்கலாம். தவறில்லை ! ஏனெனில் காலம் என்னை பள்ளி நினைவுகளை சுமக்க விட்டு, எங்கோ கொண்டு சேர்த்துவிட்டது. என் போல் இன்னும் எத்தனையோ நண்பர்கள் அந்த அழகான நாட்களை அசைபோட்டு கொண்டதான் இருக்கிறார்கள். அவர்களுக்கும் இப்படி சொல்ல மறந்த கதைகள்.... ஒன்றல்ல... இரண்டல்ல! கதைகள் தொடர்ந்து கொண்டேயிருக்கும், ஒவ்வொரு ஜீவனா மாணவ சிற்பத்திலும்! ஜெய்ஹிந்த !!!

என்றென்றும் நன்றியுடன்,  
(கார்திகேயன் 2001-2003) ஜீவனா



## MY MOTHER AS A BEST TEACHER

*My mother is my first and best teacher. A teacher is someone who has graduated with a degree in any field with credited units in education and has passed the teacher's board exams.*

*But in my book, you don't need to be a graduate in anything to be a teacher. Just by sharing your knowledge with others, you are already teaching someone, the lessons you have gained from your experiences.*

*But the best teacher who gave the most meaningful and valuable lesson in life is my mother. Being a teacher, my mother taught me the importance of discipline, being a mother she taught me the power of compassion. When I felt hopeless, she told me to strive harder; when I thought of giving up, she told me to never let go. These are the lessons she has been teaching me ever since.*

*Life is unfair as I had found out, but she taught me to open my eyes to the beauty life has to offer. She said let the pleasant ones be my memory, an album of yesterday and a guide for tomorrow.*

*She may not want me to experience the hardships of life but she knows the importance of learning from one's mistakes. She never spoon-fed me about life's tribulations but rather she let me experience it first hand.*

*I have met so many teachers with so much to give me that I wouldn't be where I am now without them. The lessons they have imparted were priceless. I would never trade them for anything.*

*But of all these teachers, my mother stands out. She taught me how to walk and talk, to read and write, to choose between right and wrong. Her best visual aids are my mistakes. She gives me life long lessons to ponder and to cherish. She is my friend when I need one, my sister to confide my secrets to, my hero who keeps me going. She has tried to teach me that I can do anything. I am receiving my real education at home from my mother, my greatest teacher.*

S.R.Akshay Kumar  
IX 'A'

## ONE NATION READING DAY

"One Nation Reading Day" is a unique and innovative model to celebrate the joy of reading. The Jeevanities of Visalakshipuram celebrated the "One Nation Reading Day" on 27th November, 2009. As the clock struck twelve, all the students assembled in their respective classrooms and in the corridor with their class teachers. The Headmistress read the 'Reading Pledge' and the students repeated it. The class teachers read a story for the students of Stds I and II. The students of Stds III to IV read their library books silently. The teachers too sat with their class students reading their favourite book.

Following this, the students of Stds V and VI had the 'Creative Writing Workshop'. The Creative Writing Workshop was conducted to entertain them, to foster their artistic expression, to explore the functions and values of writing, to stimulate imagination, to find inspiration in the world around them, to engage their curiosity and to learn to read and write. The AV Room was decorated to give an ambience of the sea and a mild music was played. The students were divided into teams and they were asked to imagine themselves as 'Dolphins', the main character of their story and enjoy exploring the underworld. Thereafter the students were provided with note books and were given a few hints for writing a good story. The students enjoyed the workshop and did a wonderful job.

Ms. D. Meena  
Teacher  
VSP



## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT JEEVANA, VSP

Every Year, on the 25th of December, people from all around the world celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, as Christmas. To convey the truth in the birth of Jesus Christ that Jesus was born as Our Saviour, to impart a true life to us, we the Jeevanites of Visalakshipuram kindled the Joy of Christmas on 23rd December, 2009.

Christmas Carols reveal the meaning of Christmas, for which was chosen a special choir, comprising of the students of Std VI. The children were all asked to come in colour dress. The leading star was put up at the entrance. The beautifully decorated Christmas Tree and the Crib were laid in the front room. Children from all the classes, contributed decorative articles not only to decorate their classes, but also the Christmas Tree. The explicitly decorated class rooms exhibited the oncoming of Christmas everyday.

On the day of the celebration, the whole of Jeevana School campus was in glowing colours. In the morning assembly, we the teachers of Jeevana, VSP narrated a short story about the Birth of Jesus Christ along with the carols. The children sang along with us, the songs they knew. It was really a happy session.

Then we had the carol singing. The students of the specially selected Christmas Choir were all dressed up like the Angels, Mary and Joseph, the three kings and the shepherds. Portraying the scene in the manger, carrying the lighted candles, we started the carol singing with the little santas of Std-I. We sang the carols in all the classes starting from KGs to Std VI and wished them all 'A Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year'.

The wishes carried along till the end of the day.

These are the cherished thoughts on the Joy of the Christmas celebration at Jeevana, VSP

By  
Ms. C. Beneeta,  
Teacher  
Jeevana School, VSP

### The Feeling of warmth

Jeevana V.S.P always comes up with some innovative ideas. Celebrating new year, festivals, involving children to understand the meaning of the celebration, you name it, they know how to do it differently. So this year it was 'camp fire'. The moment I heard about it, I was fascinated and curious. I was lucky to participate in it.

On 8th January, Friday, the campfire was organised for Std V and VI children. Children started arriving with their parents who came to drop them. The children were in high spirits. Many of them were clicking away photographs with their digital cameras.

The ground was all set up. The firewood was stacked with lot of expertise in the middle. ( I am sure Mrs Chitra Dinakaran would have done it herself). The substaff were trying with all their might to chase the mosquitoes with the help of smoke.

The evening started with a prayer. Children were divided into 8 groups with 5 children in each. It was a pleasant, ideal set up, fire burning gloriously. Each group conducted a game such as 'one truth one lie', 'pick up the lot and dance', 'blindfold and feed the cake', 'alphabet game with countries and states', 'continue the song with different lyrics' and lot of dances ( all around the fire).

The teachers conducted the games enthusiastically. Then we had a sumptuous pot luck dinner which ended with a lip smacking handmade ice cream. With the farewell song, the evening came to an end. The children enjoyed the new experience thoroughly. I am sure the evening will remain in their memories for ever.

By  
Ms.Viji Ananthan,  
Head Mistress,  
Junior Section.



A PARENT  
WHO WISHES  
TO BE ANONYMOUS  
HAS DONATED RS 50,000/-  
TO THE SCHOOL. THEY HAVE  
ALSO INDICATED THEIR DESIRE  
TO BEAR THE ENTIRE COST OF  
EDUCATING ANY TWO DESERVING  
CHILDREN  
OF THE SCHOOL.  
WE CONVEY  
OUR APPRECIATION  
& GRATITUDE TO THEM.  
-MANAGEMENT

AFTER THE  
FIRST DONATION, YET  
ANOTHER PARENT HAS  
DONATED RS 10,000/-  
FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF  
THE SCHOOL LIBRARY.  
WE SINCERELY HOPE  
MORE & MORE PARENTS  
WHO CAN AFFORD WILL COME  
FORWARD TO SHARE  
-MANAGEMENT

### EXAMS

Exams are coming near  
That's what I fear  
Why didn't I pay Attention  
the whole year?  
Now I'll have to study oh dear!

I'll have to study all  
day and night  
My schedule will be  
really tight  
I'll have to get good marks  
That's very tough task  
That's the disadvantage of  
not studying the whole year

Study, study all day long  
with no time to even sing a song

B. Deepika  
VIII 'D'

## LIFE

Life is not a bed of roses,  
It is neither full of your choice.

Life will have its joys and woes,  
We have to spend it together with our foes.

Life is a mixture of Love and sorrow,  
It is not something all can borrow.

Life, for some it is roses; for some it is thorns,  
Even then we must never spend it with faces for lorn.

Life is an opportunity that knocks only once,  
If you don't get it, you'll be stuck in death's fence.

Life is to enjoy and not to complain and cry,  
If you do so, you'll have to sit for it and sigh.

So enjoy life as far as you can,  
As so small is your span.

- By Shama Deo  
IX 'A'

## அறிவோம் ஆயிரம்

பார்க்கக்கூடியது	- அழிவு
பார்க்கமுடியாதது	- அன்பு
செய்ய வேண்டியது	- உதவி
செய்யக்கூடாதது	- துரோகம்
மறக்கக்கூடியது	- தீமை
மறக்கக்கூடாதது	- நன்றி
நினைக்கக்கூடியது	- நன்மை
நினைக்கக்கூடாதது	- பொறாமை
தொடராதது	- சண்டை
தொடர்வது	- நட்பு

- அ. அஜய் ஸ்ரீராம்  
VI 'D'



**ASSET RESULTS**

Std-VII

**Creditable**

1. Adhith S. Anand
2. Gary Paul Thomas
3. Kevin J.D.
4. Prasanna N. Venkatesh
5. Praveen Kumar.S
6. Rakeshraj. V.R
7. Tarun Suriyakumar.S
8. Sakthi Meena Sekar
9. Shahin Arman Mohammed
10. Sridhar.K
11. Subalakshmi.V
12. Vinodh.K.R

**ASSET RESULTS**

Std-VIII

**Outstanding****Creditable**

1. S. Sanjay Krishna
1. Akshaya S
2. Sai Sruthy. C.J
3. Shiny. B
4. Sivaram. S
5. Srinidhi Chandramoulie
6. Sudharshan Balakrishnan
7. Shunmugha.T
8. Aravindh Raj. V

**நண்பன்**

நான் தோல்வியில் துவண்டபோது  
என் நம்பிக்கையாய் வந்தாய் ;

நான் அழும்போது கண்ணீரை துடைக்க  
என் கைகுட்டையாய் வந்தாய் ;

நான் தனிமையில் இருந்தபோது  
என் துணையாய் வந்தாய் ;

நான் சிரித்து மகிழ்ந்து விளையாடுவதற்காக  
என் நண்பனாய் வந்தாய் ;

நண்பா, நான் வெற்றி கண்டபோது  
நீ எங்கே சென்றாய் !

- கு.இரா. காவ்யா  
VII 'D'

**ASSET RESULTS**

Std-III

**Creditable**

1. Abhilakshinee. K ( VSP)
2. Dhivyadarshini.V
3. Fathima Fahidha.H
4. Guhan. M
5. Jagath Aswin.B
6. Kavetha.S
7. Kavya D Mitchi ( VSP)
8. Neevathira .R
9. Pooja.M
10. Shama Martin
11. Sundharesa Raman A.A.P ( VSP)

Std-IV

**Distinguished**

1. Jainam Chhaged.K
2. Ramanathan. M.A
3. Visali M.Karthigayini

**Creditable**

1. Arvind Nirmal D ( VSP)
2. Bharat Varshan.S.M
3. Derek Sanch
4. Harsha Vardhini.C
5. Harshini.S
6. Kiruba Harini.D
7. Mohamed Syed.S
8. Puja Elangi.S
9. Ramanathan.T
10. Sai Swetha.D.N.V
11. Shalini Priya R.
12. Shanmukham. RK ( VSP)
13. Solomon rex S.S
14. Yaswant.R
15. Yogaa Malavika.N

**ASSET RESULTS**

Std-V

**Distinguished**

1. Ahil Rishi Rajasekaran
2. Aparna.V
3. Arunkrishna. K.V ( VSP)
4. Roshan.R

Std-V

**Creditable**

1. Saipriya Dharshini.M
2. Neela Gowri .G
3. Shasvath Velayadurai. M
4. Sheik Abdullah.A
5. Swaminathan. R
6. Varun Prakash Raj.S

Std-VI

**Outstanding in Science**

1. Richard James Emilian

**Distinguished**

1. Ajay Sri Ram . A
2. Priyadarshini .S
3. Siddharth Rao Tharkeswar
4. Sivadarshini .S

**Creditable**

1. Abimanyu.P
2. Apsara. G
3. Chirag D Lodha
4. Gowri. R.M ( VSP)
5. Reshma. H
6. Hamsini. E.V ( VSP)
7. Achuthan. K
8. Harish Kumar. J
9. Bala Arun Kumar
10. Krishnapriya. K
11. Kunal S. Burad
12. Rahul Gaudham.R
13. Shariq. S.M
14. Swathi. P.G



MEMORIES OF OUR ANNUAL DAYS  
K.G



Std I & II





Std V & VI



Std V & VI





# Std III & IV

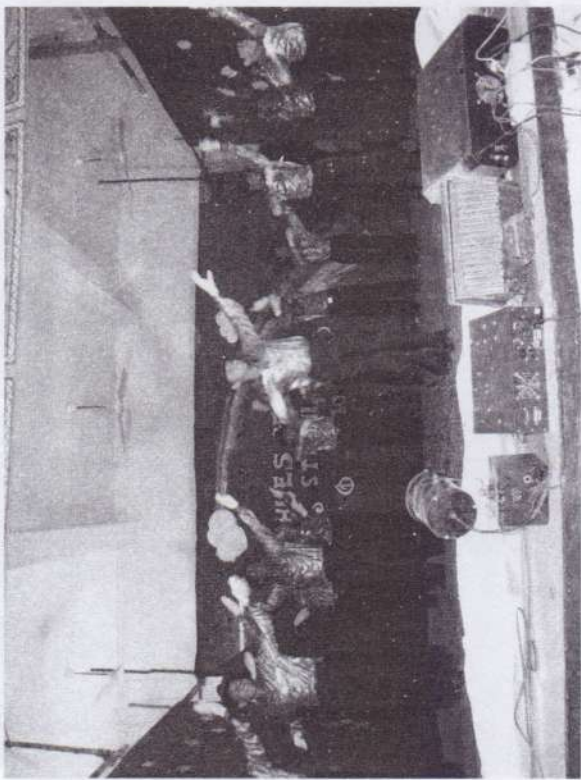
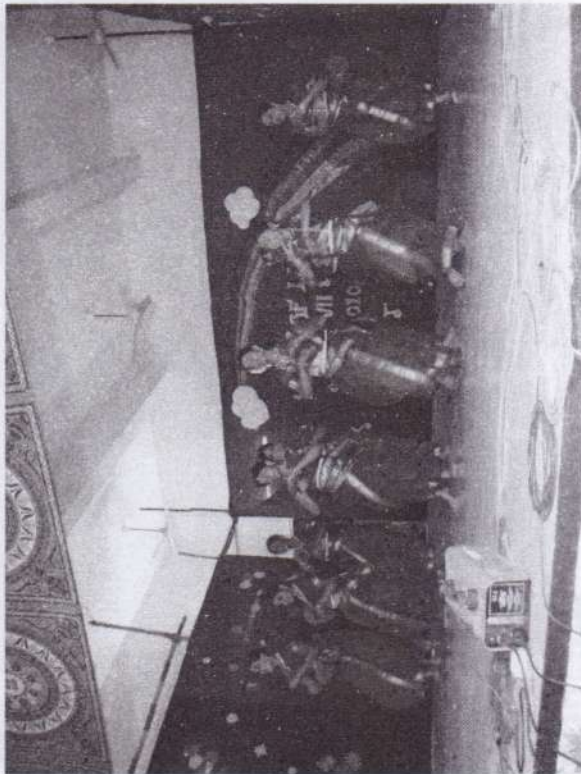


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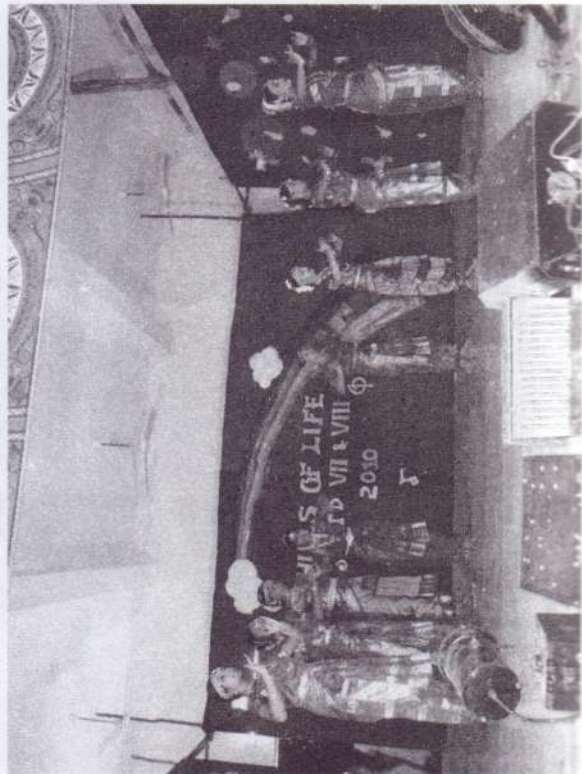




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## **A LIFE SANS COLLEGE- ENJOYABLE ???**

*Salut ami(e)s, I hope this newsletter finds you in good health..... First of all my best wishes to all juniors who are awaiting to tackle their battle with the board exams.....*

*A life sans college- enjoyable ?? I too had the same dilemma.... After all, the 12th exams were over and the results were published and my friends were busy for their counselling..... Whomsoever I asked, said "I have applied for counselling should see...!!!!" As time went on, all around me I could hear only one word counselling, counselling, counselling !!!... My god I got so much irritated with this word..... All my friends surprisingly asked "Are you not going to college ? I think you are going to miss those wonderful and memorable days in life that one can't get back in his life time.. " I too had applied for colleges but my fate, as per my course I had to forego my college life so that I could save 3 years of study..... Myself and my mom had great dilemma if I had to go or not..... But my dad finally decided that I shouldn't join any college and I started preparing for my entrance exam for the Chartered Accountancy Course.*

*I have always had the feeling that my friends enjoy a lot in college, take photos and gain a lot of new friends, a new atmosphere.... Luckily I passed through the entrance exam in the first sitting itself. I should also thank all my teachers who had prayed for my well-being .....I had to join under a practicing Auditor for my training period of three and half years..... I joined and when I went to office, for the first one month, I got the work of copying the addresses of about 1000 clients from a word document to an excel sheet.... Just imagine the nature of job.... I really got frustrated..... Gone are those days, when I wore T-Shirts and Jeans..... All the 6 days I had to switch over to Formal wears..... No holidays on Saturdays...Only on Sundays I had leave....No government holidays.... The life style had completely changed.... Office timings from 10 to*

*tuition from 7 p.m to 9 p.m. No time to recreate myself.... No trip nor cultural..... Just office to home and vice versa.... Nothing else..... I used to feel I have no recreation but all my friends enjoy and they show me albums... but nothing from my side.... But in spite of all these aspects I had a great opportunity.....*

*I had become more responsible in life since, we will be allotted a few clients and had to arrive at their total income and calculate tax and file their return of income within the due date..... This is a great task as we had to handle clients of all types: some soft and humble and some really annoying and some just confusing us.*

*I have to mention this incident.... Recently we had to attend a Bank Audit Seminar organized by our office at Bangalore... For whole 2 days we had to sit and listen to a person and we should interact with all other people... Finally the seminar was over. On the second day during tea- break, my senior had to windup the seminar by a formal vote of thanks.... But he had severe cold and could not speak a word... All of a sudden he said to the Bangalore partner that I would represent the Madurai office on his behalf.....*

*I didn't know it.... The seminar was over by 5 p.m and soon after the person from Bangalore spoke, he informed me that I had to deliver a vote of thanks.... Without a second thought, I went and spoke what flashed through my mind at that point of time.... I just spoke for about a minute only... but that had made all the difference.... Everyone from Chennai and Bangalore teams appreciated me. At that moment I felt I had achieved an appreciation more than what I would have achieved being in a college.... A great moment of course!!.... My sir said, within a year this was a good effort that I had taken and praised me.... What else do I need from my senior who is 70....! They say behind everyman's success there is a woman....*



*But behind this youngster, there is none other than JEEVANA !!! even though it depends on the individual.... I felt very proud to tell my seniors and partners when they enquired about my schooling.....*

*Now , I feel I enjoy my work better than what a college life could bring me ....I realize that I enjoy better than a college student would.... How the life style had changed within a year from informals to formals, studying to working as well as studying, responsible to much more responsible etc., This is what life gives us.... Enjoy every moment.... My humble advice to my juniors who are to select their stream in 11th .... Do opt for the commerce stream.. Its not that only those who are not eligible for science come and enjoy in commerce....*

*If that's the case our PM Dr. Manmohan Singh and Home Minister P. Chidambaram would not be what they are today..... Take up CA as a career and you will shine... Remember CA is the only course where you study and work simultaneously. Though its tough once you achieve it, you can sit and earn upto lakhs a month.... The life style as a CA is entirely different from those in colleges and once you join articleship period you can start using the RED and GREEN colour inks which you are prohibited in schools and colleges !!!! Now that I am enjoying my job, I can say with conviction..... Definitely a life sans college is really enjoyably !!!! Enjoy it ....*

*Au revoir*

*B.Srivatsan,*

*B.Com, CA (PCC)*

*Batch :2007-08*

# Random thoughts on Value Education

Value Education is something to improve our Knowledge & Self.  
KAVYA - III

Self Discipline is the time to mind our own business.  
SAKTHIVEL - III

Respect is what we give to others.  
RIDHI - III

Trust is Truth. It teaches us good things and keeps us intelligent.  
SHOBBINI - III

We should not laugh at others and tease others.  
VIGNESH - III

Forgiveness makes my mind feel better and it relieves our anger.  
DESINGH - IV

Values helped me to control myself and I will follow the values everyday.  
KAVYAAH - IV

In the beginning, I thought Value Education will be difficult. But when I followed the values everyday, it became easy.  
ADITHYA - IV

The group activities we had every month based on the values were fun.  
SHANMUKHAM - IV

Value Education has changed me a lot. I am able to be more flexible with my younger brother.  
KRISHNA HARISHMITTA - IV

Value Education has taught me to shine in my future.  
AFRA - V

The Value Education has taught me to be responsible. I help my mother by doing small things at home.  
SULTANUL ARIFEEN - IV

I have learnt the art of Self Discipline to better myself.  
D. LAVANYA - V

Value Education has taught me Responsibility.  
MONISHA - V

Value Education has taught me Responsibility towards Our Environment.  
SHANKAR - V

Value Education has added strength to the roots of my life.  
R.M. GOWRI - VI

Activity based Value Education has improved me.  
K. R. HEMA - VI

Value Education throws the light of goodness around us.  
J. CHARUMEENA - VI

Value Education has taught me the codes of behavior.  
E. V. HAMSINI - VI

Value Education has inspired me to lead and live a better life.  
A. HEENA - VI

By the Students of  
Jeevana, VSP



**STUDENTS QUALIFIED FOR STATE LEVEL****'SPELL BEE COMPETITION'****CATEGORY III (Std III & IV)****STATE LEVEL MOVERS****S.No Name of the Student**

1. Puja Elangi.S
2. Sagardass Gireesh Pai
3. Sai Swetha.D.N.V
4. Madhav.C
5. Sejal Jirawala.A
6. Surya Narayanan.S
7. Kavya.D.Mitchi (VSP)
8. Sree Sudha.S
9. R. Neevathira Poorani
10. A.P. Sundharesa Ramana (VSP)
11. V.R.Vishnu Ram

**CATEGORY IV (Std V & VI)****S.No Name of the Student Position**

1. Siddharth Rao Tharakeswar First

**STATE LEVEL MOVERS****S.No Name of the Student**

2. R. Preethi
3. A. Ajay Sriram
4. B.S Shree Harihara Sudan
5. E.V. Hamsini

**STUDENTS QUALIFIED FOR STATE****LEVEL****'SPELL BEE COMPETITION'****S.No Name of the Student Position**

5. K.V. Arunkrishna (VSP)
6. T.A. Priyadharshan (VSP)
7. Aprameya P. Karthick
8. M. Sree Pradaa
9. S. Sivadarshini

**CATEGORY V (Std VII & VIII)****S.No Name of the Student Position**

1. Srinidhi.R FIRST

**STATE LEVEL MOVERS**

2. R. Nidhisri
3. V. Praneesha
4. S. Parvathy
5. B. Sudharshan
6. C. Kamini

**CATEGORY VI (Std IX & X)**

1. S. Hariram FIRST
2. R. Shenbagaraman THIRD

**BHARATHIYAR - REPUBLIC DAY SPORTS AND GAMES**

S. Bhishma Raj of standard VIII 'A' participated in 'SILAMBUM' event held on 22/10/2009

**YOGA MELA**

Name	Standard	Date	Conducted by	Prize
A. Sruthi	VII 'A'	24/10/2009	Gandhi Memorial Museum	I

**MERITUS SCHOLAR**

Sivadharshini Samayasanjeevi of Standard VI 'C' participated in the "All India level meritus Scholar" and won a scholarship of Rs 2500/-

**RENEWABLE ENERGY QUIZ HELD ON 10.01.10**

J. Jeswin of standard I 'C' participated in " National Level Examination of Renewable Energy Quiz Show" conducted by Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.

**SOUTH DISTRICT LEVEL CULTURAL COMPETITION**

Name	Standard	Date	Event	Prize
H. Subashree	V	29/11/09	Skating	I



**PRIZE WINNERS OF CHESS TOURNAMENT**

S.No	Date	Name of the Student	Category	Conducted by	Prize
1.	02.04.09 & 03.04.09	N. Sanjay Raman (VI .B.)	U-11	Dr. RM. Alagappa chettiar centenary celebration	IV
2.	12.04.09	Sanjay Raman (VI 'B')	Senior	Chanakya Chess Academy	20th
3.	9.8.09	K.Vikash Kannan (VI 'C')	U-12	A.K.R Chess Academy	I
4.	26.12.09 & 27.12.09	K.Vikash Kannan (VI 'C')	U-11	KDCA	V
5.	10.1.10	B. PriyaDarshini (VI 'D')	U-12	Meenakshi Chess Academy	III
6.	30.01.10 & 31.01.10	B. PriyaDarshini (VI 'D')	U-11	Archeypal Chess Academy	II
7.	14.2.10 & 31.01.10	B. PriyaDarshini (VI 'D')	U-10	Best Chess Academy	I

**KARATE COMPETITION**

S.No	Date	Name of the Student	Class	Event	Prize
1.	24.05.09 to 28.05.09	K.Vikash Kannan	(VI 'C')	Kata	II
2.	15.09.09 & 16.09.09	K.Vikash Kannan	(VI 'C')	Team Kata	II
3.	21.11.09 & 22.11.09	R.K.Suriya Rajan	(VII 'C')	Kumite	I (Gold Medal)
4.	2nd, 3rd & 4th October 2009	A. Sruthi	(VII 'A')	Kata	I

**TRINITY COLLEGE OF LONDON CONDUCTED FOUNDATION LEVEL  
GRADED EXAMINATION IN MUSIC LITERACY**

S.No	Name	Class	Held on
1.	K. Hassain Mowla. K	VI 'D'	December, 2009
2.	P. Abimanyu	VI 'C'	June, 2009

A.S. Hariharan of VI 'A' participated in various Table tennis Tournaments conducted by 'District Table Tennis Association' and "A. Soundarajan Memorial" and got the following prizes.

S.No	Date	Category	Position
1.	30.01.10	Under -13 Boys	Runner
2.	26.01.10	Sub- Junior Boys	Winner
3.	26.01.10	Junior Boys Higher	Quarter Finals

Madurai Y.M.C.A has conducted Vishnu sahasranama competition for the students in the age group of 4 to 15 years on 17th Jan, 2010. 'M.Nitish' of V 'D' got Second Prize.

**COMPETITION ZONE  
PONMENI JUNIOR SECTION**

1. **S.R. Vijaykumar** won **First Prize** in **Thirukkural** Competition conducted by Thiruvalluvar Mandram on 10.02.2010.
2. **M.A. Ramanathan** of Std IV was awarded the **Brown Belt** in the grading test conducted by "Isshinryu Karate" in February, 2010.
3. **R. Rishi** of IV 'D' was awarded the **Purple Belt** in the grading test conducted by "Isshinryu Karate" in February, 2010.
4. **Sree Sudha** of IV 'D' won First Prize in **Ramayana** competition conducted by Srimaan Trust.



## A REPORT ON ANNUAL DAY - 2010

I feel honoured to write about the Annual Day celebration of Junior Section (Std I and II) of Jeevana, ICSE School, Ponmeni, Madurai.

In effort to provide "Total Quality Education", it is the paramount duty of the school to inspire the students and trigger their motivation to excel in curricular and extra-curricular activities which would earn laurels for the school.

"Until or unless we have dedicated and committed teachers who take teaching not only as their profession but also as mission in their life we cannot have a good educational system" - Dr. RADHAKRISHNAN

Dr Radhakrishnan's vision about the mission of teachers become a reality in Jeevana School. The teachers here are the "blend of authority and flexibility". They have set the proper soil for the young minds to grow.

The whole "gamul of the gravity" was in the auditorium on 11.3.2010. Teachers had taken a "herculean task" to satisfy the "anticipating audience".

Participants of orchestra sang like a Versatile singers and really the teachers who had given practice set a "Good platform for them to perform".

Participants of Tamil play and English play encaptured the audience with their scintillating performances. Both the plays were the pragmatic approach to emphasize "Nurturing nature to save the future"- the most needed message to save our mother earth from Global Warming.

As far as dance is concerned, boys and girls in colourful attires kept the audience spell bound. In classical dance, students gave an aesthetic performance with beautiful expressions on their faces. Without any stammering, all the students did their part well and I understand that it is due to the co-ordinated effort and unremitted toiling of teachers who had given practice for it. I should really take this opportunity to thank the Principal and Staff of Jeevana School.

In short the Annual Day programme "Carved a Niche" in linking our tradition and modernity with a new sense of dynamism.

- BY- DR. K.VIGNESWARI,  
M/O R.KEERTHANASRIJA  
II 'E'

## KG Annual Day

When I was invited by my son to his school Annual day celebrations, I did not have any expectations other than entertaining the kids with some three or so hours of fun and play. But it turned out to be a great entertainment for myself and I did not move from my seat thoroughly enjoying the whole event.

Starting from Ms. Rajalakshmi's passionate speech about montessori based education to the cute folk dance by sweet little girls, everything was great while 'dasavatar' made us wonder if we were in heaven, rolling pancake with boys and animals chasing it gave us a good, hearty laughter. By bringing various religions, states, cultures and nations in front of us on the stage, the children reminded us that we are all finally God's children.

The entire event made us wonder how the teachers and other staff trained the little ones so well. Their effort and dedication to make the event success was overwhelming.

Surprisingly, the little kids did not have any signs of stress or fear, but they seemed to enjoy everything they were doing. Most importantly, I was pleasantly surprised by the confidence and ease with which they carried themselves throughout the evening.

Thanks Jeevana.

**- By- Banu Ragavan,  
Mother of Vikranth  
U.K.G 'C'**



## FEED BACK OF ANNUAL DAY CELEBRATIONS, JUNIOR SECTION

The Annual Day of Std III and IV was held on 20th February, 2010 at Ponmeni. The Jeevanites team worked joyfully, peacefully, systematically and continuously. As a result, the Annual Day was on a strong wicket. All the programmes were like sweets made of jelly. There are no words to jot down the programmes.

Classical Dance by Std III and IV was Excellent and Outstanding. It will be in our memory for ever. Parents were able to visualize " Shiva Thandavam". All the characters of the play were well depicted. Children enjoyed performing on stage. The pronunciation and action were appreciable.

### JEEVANA

It's a  
Jolly Place where  
 for Ever children  
Examine  
Various  
Activities in a  
Natural  
Atmosphere

The Hard work and Interest of all the staff and children made the Annual Day, a grand success.

- By- M. Jayalakshmi,  
 M/o Harikrishna

**ANNUAL DAY REPORT( Std V and VI)**

Jeevana School, Ponmeni branch celebrated its Annual Day with great fervor on 6th February, 2010. It was a pleasant evening and a great opportunity for all of us to witness the talent and potential of the children which left us spell bound . The children looked resplendent in their costumes. The stunning performance of yoga dance mesmerized the audience.

The theme of the day was " Save Nature For a Safe Future", which highlighted the causes and effects of global warming and portrayed people's abuse of nature's beauty.

Our sincere thanks to the Management and Staff members for their efforts.

**- By- Sudharao Tharkeswar,  
M/o Siddharthrao Tharkeswar  
VI 'C'**

**ANNUAL DAY PROGRAM JEEVANA (VSP ) 2010**

*Year after year Jeevana Visalakshipuram guarantees something special in quality and theme that it takes for the Annual day program. Last year the theme was "Bon Voyage" and this year it was " Samudhra" , a difficult one, indeed. But the children eloquently delineated their given part.*

*The very first program by the Pre K.G kids stole everyone's heart with its gifted innocence.*

*All the dance programs were good and great care was given to costumes, specially for the mermaid and Tamil skit. It was really logical to include Shakespeare's " Tempest" which dwells around the sea. All the children neatly delivered their role with good diction.*

*The highlight of the program was the last dance performance by the girls for the song 'Anbe Sivam'. 'Hats off' to the choreographer. It was a nice mix with a little yoga which the children did it with perfect clarity and balance. The Compering was very good .*

*Congratulations to the entire team.*

S.Manikandan  
F/O. S.M.Adithya Harish  
Std IV, Jeevana, VSP



## Hues of Life

"Hues of Life" was the theme of the **Annual Day** of Std VII and Std VIII. One important feature of our Annual Days is that all the children participate in the programme. We started our practice. It was a tonic to our humdrum routine of studies and tests. There was an aura of excitement all over. At the end of each day of practice, we all would be blissfully tired. Most important of all, our kids had a great time and enjoyed to the hilt.

Suddenly a student decided to quit the play and produced a letter from his parents stating that the grandma was ill. Then after a week, I asked him, how things were at home, he said, his grandfather was ill. Something struck me. I rummaged in my tray and found out that letter. It said, the 'Grandma' was ill !

As teachers we have to don many roles and now there is a need for this new 'Avatar' of Sherlock Holmes. Well, when I asked him with the evidence in hand, he coolly said, 'Ma'am, last week grandma was sick, now grandpa is also sick' .!!

Finally the D-Day arrived. Parents flocked to see their kids' prowess on stage. And soon it was 6 p.m- time to start the show. I glanced at our Principal, our Pillar of strength . Ma'am's cheerful smile and gentle nod eased my tension.

Right from the Prayer song till the Vote of thanks, children breezed through effortlessly, playing their roles with zest and aplomb. The student who played the lead role in the English play had the audience eating out of her hand.

The Michael Jacksons stole the show with the shadow dance. The program showcased a wide repertoire of talent and creativity in our students. After the National Anthem, Mr A.K.Srinivasan, who was in charge of bell (old habits die hard) said "Ma'am perfect timing". Only then did I notice we had finished at 8.00 P.M sharp. Trust Mr. A.K.S to crack a joke with impeccable 'timing' .

The Principal's firm handshake with the sparkle in her eyes said it all.

The Advisor said, " You have set the standard for the others". The Chairman said, "You should write about it and publish" and, so, you are reading this article.

I mentally thanked each and every Jeevanite. The credit goes to all the Students, Staff and Sub-Staff who had worked hard and displayed exemplary team work.

My mind slowly whispered a prayer, " 'Oh Lord' you have shouldered on me a responsibility of striding into higher planes by entrusting me with a creative, enthusiastic, innovative and talented team of teachers and students. Help me nurture this talent and bring out the best in every Jeevanite".

**V. Padma Chandrashekar**

A parent met the Principal to find out  
if Jeevana is going to be sold.  
It is possible that someone or  
the other who does not like the  
growth and development  
of the School is doing this.  
Please do not pay attention  
to such rumors.

**- Management**

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