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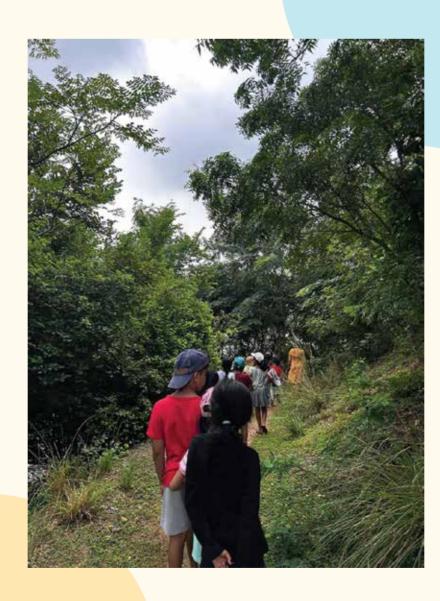
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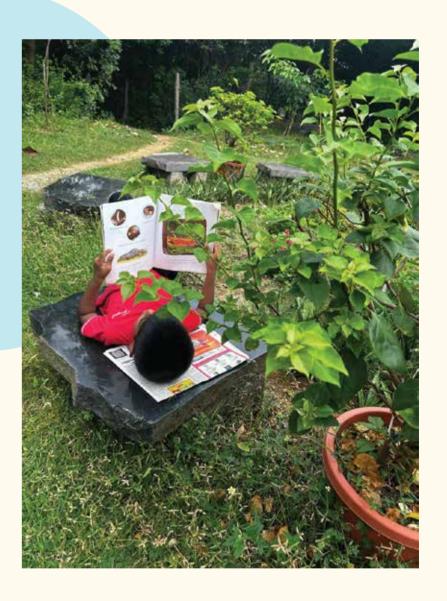
This month's newsletter gives you a glimpse of different assemblies, trips and presentations that happened at school.

To Read and Relax - a Book Picnic

The students of junior school had an interesting experience this month when they all carried a book that they enjoy reading to the Siruseri Lake and sat quietly to read it by themselves. It was a lovely morning spent at the lake with each student finding a comfortable nook or bench or rock or just sprawled on the grass, intently reading the book they had got from the school library. They had peanuts to eat while they browsed through their books, and it seemed like the perfect morning for them! They also went for a short walk up one of the hillocks at the lake and came back to school after this hour-long picnic, with their hearts full of happy moments.



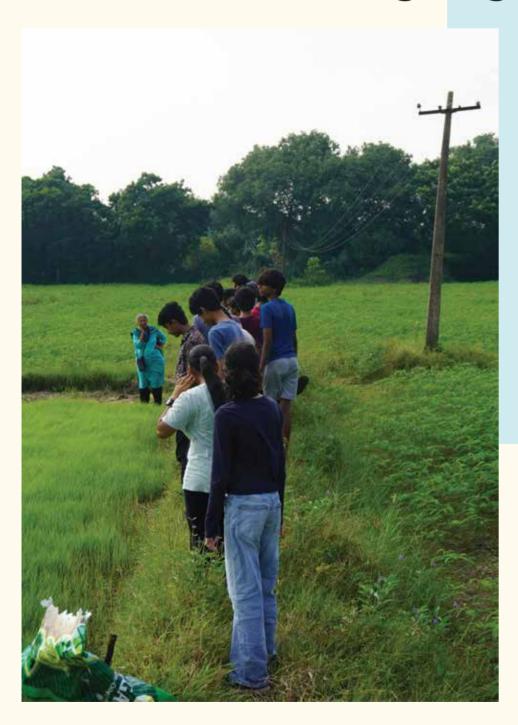




The Class 10 Students Visit the School Farm

As has become a regular feature in the school calendar, students have been visiting the school farm at Kilapakkam to spend the day and do some work along with Murugaiah Anna who takes care of the farm.

This month the students of Class 10 went to spend the day on the farm along with their class teacher. The students were looking forward to this much needed break from their lessons and work at school. They enjoyed themselves by walking around the farm and understanding the work that is done there that was explained to them by Anandhi Akka of the School Farm Committee. There was not too much work for the students to do as the paddy season has not yet started for planting to happen. The students had lunch there and came back later in the evening to go back home. They said that they had enjoyed the ambiance of the farm and looked forward to going again soon to do some work there.





Mushroom Moments on Campus

With the onset of the monsoon the beautiful spore producing fruiting – bodies, the 'mushrooms' also popped-up above the ground. There were many varieties that were sighted on campus during the rains.

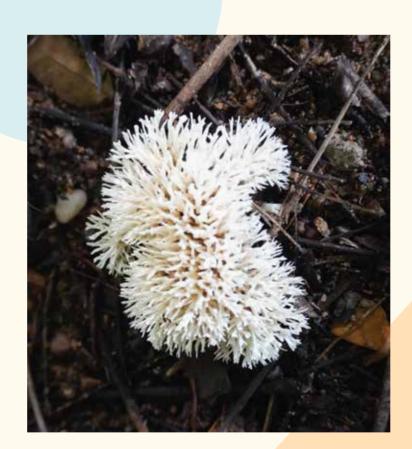
A group of students from Class 8 who were curious about and fascinated by these mysterious, intriguing mushrooms raised the following questions-

- How does the mushrooms grow?
- Why do they grow during this time?

They walked around the campus and observed the different genus of mushrooms with their varied color, size, shape, surface texture and longevity. They discovered more than a dozen varieties of mushrooms during their walk.

A mushroom structure consists of a cap (Pileus), a stalk (Stipe), gills (Lamella) and a ring (Annulus). The main body of the fungus, called mycelium, exists as a vast underground network of threadlike strands and a single filament is called hyphae. Its symbiotic relationship with plants, known as mycorrhizae, where fungus and plant root exchange resources and significantly, enhance the growth and survival of both the organisms. These fungi play a crucial role in decomposing the leafy and woody organic material in the soil, making it more productive, a sign of healthy soil. They can stay dormant for years. But when conditions are right, they produce reproductive structures that we call mushrooms.









The Little Ones Visit A Farm and the Vegetable Market





The students of LKG visited Shoba's Farm this month- a farm close to school. They took the school bus to reach the place and spent time walking around, looking at the trees and trying to identify the different plants. They identified keerai, karamani, some guava and sweet lime trees at the farm.

They enjoyed this time away from school and finally had a short picnic under the mango tree there eating cookies and fruit and having some kanji. They came back to school feeling happy and asking when they would get to go again on another day trip!

The students of UKG went to the vegetable market at Thazhambur as part of their experience of the neighbourhood and identified the different vegetables they have as part of their meals at school. They bought Ladies Finger at the market and each student got to take one home as part of their 'purchase'! The students felt accomplished after this exercise of having shopped at the vegetable market.

The Junior School Project Presentation





The much-awaited event of the month was the Project Presentation by the students of the junior school. Like every year, they worked on a theme-Spaces and Experiments- that was decided by the teachers along with the students.

The Mango group with Class 1 students explored different aspects of the topic – 'Weather and Space'. The students had created different and interesting displays to understand different aspects of weather and space. There were hot air balloon paper models, creative paintings on falling rain, a big rocket and other such displays made by each student.



The four groups of the junior school Mixed Age Group each explored the elements- air, water, light and sound- with science-based experiments to understand each of these elements. The classrooms were done up colourfully with each class enthusiastically explaining their experiment to the visiting parents, teachers and students from the middle and senior school. As one junior school student remarked at the end of the day, "It was a tiring day but I am happy."

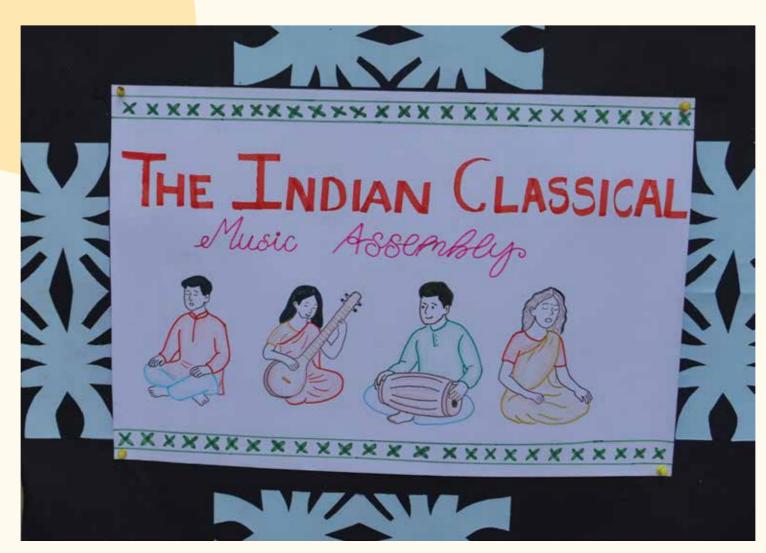


An Amalgamation of Culture, Music and Dance at School





The Wednesday Long Assemblies are an opportunity for students to explore their interests and talents in different areas that they are working with outside school. The Indian Classical Music Assembly, The Western Classical Music Assembly, The Indian Classical Dance Assembly and finally The Popular Music Assembly saw participation in large numbers by the students of the middle and senior school. These assemblies also had parents as audience. They are also a way for students to come together and enjoy themselves in presenting music and dance to everyone. As always, each assembly was immensely enjoyed and appreciated by the audience.







Indian Classical Music



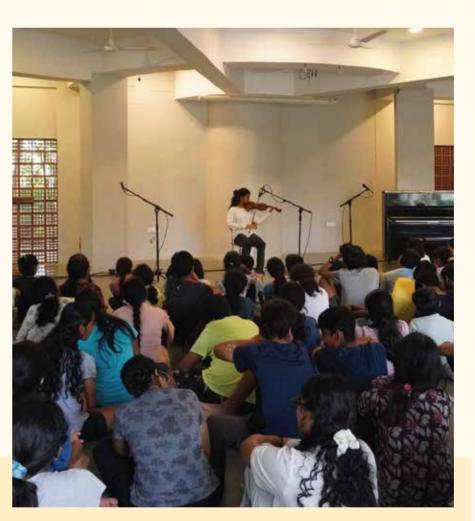




Western Classical Music



















Indian Classical Dance







Popular Music



