

# Penlighten

June - October 2022



National Public School ,Chikkabanavara



*"Do not follow where the path may lead.  
Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."  
- Ralph Waldo Emerson*



# **DON'T QUIT**

**When times are hard, you might stop for a bit,  
But it's not over until the moment you quit.  
On a river's bridge, failures are the planks;  
Take one step at a time until you reach its banks.**

**Don't give up on your dreams; chase them instead;  
You will find, one morning, as you wake up from bed,  
That you are the person about whom you dreamed,  
And you can reach great heights, impossible though it  
seemed.**

**When things go wrong and your back is to the wall,  
Try to stand up; no more can you fall.  
Life is full of ups and downs; take them in your stride.  
You will discover your little star hidden inside.**



# Principal's message



## *Innovation: An Imperative Key To Success*

*To quote an Ancient Proverb, "The flowers of tomorrow carry within them the seeds of today".*

*To visualize this transformation of seeds into flowers, lie in the hands of those who nurture them. Be it a parent or a teacher at school... each one of us carry the onus of making a difference in the lives of these young children. At NPS, Chikkabanuara, we the teachers and parents work together in order to shape these young lives. The teaching and learning style has been redesigned to focus on innovation, to enable students to emerge as successful individuals in a post-Covid-19 world.*

*I believe that an education system that develops a child's imagination is richer than one that does not. Imagination surely leads to innovation and it is the secret ingredient that allows a person to enjoy and taste success.*

*To add to our mission, we perceive our role as custodians of our country's future and accordingly strive to encourage our children to excel not only at academics but as responsible citizens of tomorrow. The India that we are living in today is at that point of its trajectory from where it can make a quantum jump into the future. However, before we begin the marathon, we have to learn to walk. This dream will become a reality only through an educational revolution that will enable our youth to match international standards – and that has to begin at the very basic level of the teaching – learning activity.*

*Therefore it is our mission to start creating and nurturing the "Young Innovators of tomorrow". Hence, let us join hands to bring out the best in our children thus fulfilling our school motto –*

*"Reach Out, Reach High and Reach Beyond !"*

*Ms Mary Thomas  
Academic Director & Principal*



# Editorial

## A Note from the Editor's Desk

The previous two years have been distinctive in many ways, more profoundly in the emptiness they brought, with the deserted school grounds and the missing smiling faces of our students. Bidding goodbye to those humdrum days, we kickstarted this new academic session in full swing, which has successfully brought back the much-needed normalcy in the lives of students.

It gives us immense pleasure to bring out the first edition of the newsletter 'Penlighten' for the academic year 2022-2023.

Hopefully the efforts we have committed towards bringing this to fruition reflects in the pages.

The mission of National Public School, Ekbnr is to inspire students to embark on a quest for learning with right knowledge, understanding, skills and values. The school provides a learning environment, which is joyful and experiential, preparing the students for global citizenship. The school empowers them to make a world of difference.

This edition is a true reflection of the indomitable spirit of the school and the creativity of the students. The school has been successful in maintaining a healthy balance between academic excellence and encouraging diverse co-curricular activities.

Hope you enjoy reading this edition of the School Newsletter.

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Ms. Mary Thomas

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# Academic Accolades

**Heartiest Congratulations.....  
.....to our students for their stupendous  
performance in the Board Examination.**



## NATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL CHIKKABANAVARA

ALL INDIA SECONDARY SCHOOL EXAMINATION - 2021-22 (GRADE X)  
DISTINCTION - 100%  
SCHOOL TOPPERS 2021-22



MADHAV PRAVEEN  
97.4 %



CHINMAYEE B R  
97 %



AISHIKI  
MUKHOPADHYAY  
96.8 %



PRAKRITI DWIVEDI  
96.8 %



ARYAN KIRAN C  
96.6 %



NISARGA A SHETTY  
96.7 %



NAMAN MUNJAL  
95.6 %



ANJUNA GIJU  
94.8 %



SHRAVYA R HEBBAR  
94.2 %

### STAR PERFORMERS WITH 100 MARKS

#### SCIENCE



ARYAN KIRAN C

#### MATHEMATICS



NAMAN MUNJAL

#### COMPUTER APPLICATION



PRAKRITI DWIVEDI



CHINMAYEE B R



S SANJEETHA

*The Management, Principal & Faculty Congratulate the Students of Std X on their Excellent Performance!!!*



## NATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL CHIKKABANAVARA

RESULTS OF THE SENIOR SECONDARY EXAMINATION 2021-2022



NIDHI C N



AMRUTHA K



SAMMITH M K



C NIKHIL RATHORE

*The Management, Principal and Staff would like to appreciate the efforts of  
Grade - Xll students for securing Distinction in the CBSE Board Examination, 2021-22.*

**Congratulations !!**



# Beyond the Classroom



## PARENT ORIENTATION

**“A parent is a teacher at home and a teacher is a parent in school and the child is the centre of our universe.”**



**Family is the first school for young children, and parents are powerful models. National Public School, Ckbnr organized an Orientation Programme in the month of May 2022, for our new parents to familiarize them, “as partners in progress” with the curriculum, rules and regulations of the school, teaching methodologies and the co-scholastic activities.**



*Welcome  
to the  
World of Colours*





# Beyond the Classroom



The sense of normalcy has made its way through covid anxiety and children rejoiced in being back with friends and learning alongside teachers in a physical environment. Returning to school after a hiatus of two long years was indeed a poignant moment for all of us. The campus was suddenly filled with life and laughter, as the students – new and old, strolled across the green lawns and winding pathways. The little ones gradually adapted to the new experience and environment with the help of teachers and friends and found comfort in their new world.



# Getting Creative with Colours

## Red Colour Day

“Red is the first colour of spring.  
It’s the real colour of rebirth or beginning.”



Our little ones of the Pre-Primary Section celebrated with the colour 'Red' as a part of the year-round series of 'Colour of the Month' celebrations. Impressive performances, creative take-aways, vibrant costumes and interesting learning engagements made the day a truly colourful one.



# Getting Creative with Colours

## Yellow Colour Day



“Shades of yellow stimulate our little ones with happiness, energy and optimism...”



With an objective to recapitulate and reinforce the effects of yellow colour, the Pre-Primary wing celebrated “Yellow day” on the 29th of July. A day dedicated to the yellow colour was marked with children and teachers dressed in different hues and tints of yellow. Classrooms and corridors were filled with yellow smilies and pictures. The motive of celebrating this colour day was to make the children aware of yellow colour, its significance and to develop fine motor skills in the students. They spent the day with utmost enjoyment.



# Getting Creative with Colours

## Blue Colour Day

“Let the blue sky meet the blue sea and all is blue for a time.”



The Pre-Primary Section of NPS, Chikkabanavara celebrated Blue Colour Day on Friday the 26th of August 2022.

The different shades and hues of blue truly infused a lot of enthusiasm and excitement among the teachers and students. All the children came dressed in different shades and hues of blue.

The significance of blue colour was reiterated through a series of in-class activities planned by the respective class teachers. A special assembly was conducted wherein children spoke and sang jingles on the colour blue.



# Getting Creative with Colours

## Orange Colour Day



Everything is better in orange



Orange is the colour that signifies joy, warmth, and excitement. Orange Day was celebrated by the students of the Pre-Primary on Friday the 28th of October 2022. It was indeed a pleasure to witness the little ones dressed in orange colour attires bubbling with energy.



# Beyond the Classroom

## Cultural Week

“Diversity – Differences make us unique.”

“We are unique and beautiful but together we are a masterpiece.”

“Strength lies in differences not in similarities.”

“Everyone smiles in the same language.”



Cultural Week was celebrated by the Pre-Primary section to enhance the widespread cultures in India. The week-long cultural programme provided an opportunity for children to deepen their understanding of cultural diversity.



# Beyond the Classroom

## HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY



Independence Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and respect by the students of pre-primary section. A special assembly was conducted wherein the students sang and danced to the tunes of patriotic songs. Children were told about the significance of the day and struggle involved in obtaining our independence.



# Beyond the Classroom

## HAPPY Ganesh Chaturthi



**'Bappa aye humare yaha zor shor se,  
Bappa jaate yaha se zor shor se.  
Humare dil mein rehte Ganesha ,  
Aao sab milkar bole Ganapati Bappa Morya!**



**Festivals build group cohesiveness, bring people together, break the monotony of routine, and energise the body, mind and spirit. Echoing this festive spirit, the Pre-primary students of National Public School, Chikkabanavara celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi with much zeal and zest.**

**As a part of the activity, the little ones coloured and decorated a card of lord Ganesha. The festival also helped students connect to our Indian culture and enable them to appreciate and understand the significance of festival.**



# Beyond the Classroom

## Krishna Janmashtami



Krishna Janmashtami was celebrated with great zeal and fervour by the children and staff of Pre-Primary on Friday the 19th of August. The students came traditionally dressed in festive colourful attire. The tiny tots of the nursery came dressed as Radha and Krishna. The premises was decorated beautifully which aided in spreading the spirit of festivity.

A colourful extravaganza was organized by the teachers; wherein the children of KG1 presented a dance performance. A short play was narrated by the teachers and enacted by the students. A 'Dahi Handi' breaking event was also organized, in which the Krishnas of pre-primary were overjoyed in breaking the pot. The highlight of the day was a song and dance performance by the teachers.



# Beyond the Classroom



The festival of Onam is a harbinger of good cheer and prosperity. Creating a festive air with Pookalam was the integral part of the celebration of the Pre-Primary Section. The day was marked by a special dance performed by the teachers. The story of Onam was narrated to the little ones.

Amidst cheers of happiness and excitement, children learnt the importance of this day and imbibed in them pride, cultural oneness, and a sense of belonging that we are one big family.



# Beyond the Classroom



*A Big Thank You  
for your unconditional love.*

**Grandparents' Day was celebrated with great vigour and enthusiasm at NPS, Ckbnr amongst the Kindergarten where the grandparents of the kids participated in a Solo Singing and Dance Competition along with their grandchildren which was a mesmerising show to watch. The children also made cards for their grandparents to show their love towards them which was given to the grandparents on the stage, also there were mementoes given to the grandparents followed by refreshments**



# Beyond the Classroom

## World Environment Day



### GREEN GUARDIAN OF THE GLOBE



Offering extension and inspiration to complement activity-based learning is a hallmark of NPS School teaching approach. This year's Environment Day theme was 'Living Sustainably in Harmony with Nature'.

The day started with a special assembly conducted by grade VIII and was followed by many activities like making eco-friendly hand sanitiser, shoe box bird house, JAM sessions, making a herbarium of leaves, speeches etc. The main objective of observing this day was to bring change in their attitude towards the environment and advocate partnership between each human being and society to ensure a safe future for all. The day ended with a sense of environmentalist pride.



# Beyond the Classroom



Striking the right note



**There is nothing better in this world like the sound of your favourite song coming on.**

**It immediately starts to heal the situation and makes you feel relaxed.**

**National Public School's International Music Day celebration bedazzled the audience, as and when the students of different grades began to sing solo, duet in different languages in the assembly, the audience began to hum and tap their feet to the music of the song. The impact it had on all the people present could be clearly seen.**

**It is truly said that Music does not need a language. You only need to feel it.**



# Beyond the Classroom

INTERNATIONAL  
**YOGGA**  
DAY



**Yoga is a mental, physical and spiritual practice that needs to be carried every day. It is a gift of India's ancient tradition.**

**To keep up the spirit of World Yoga Day, the students of NPS, Chikkabanavara demonstrated different Asanas in the assembly and shared a brief history of the origin of yoga.**

**Children got to know how yoga embodies unity of mind and body. The students imbibed the value of discipline through yoga.**



# Beyond the Classroom

## **FRESHERS' DAY 2022**



National Public School, Chikkabanavara hosted a Freshers' Party on the 17th of June 2022 to welcome the students of Grade XI. The theme for the party was 'Bollywood Style'. The programme began with the auspicious lamp lighting ceremony followed by a welcome dance.

The day witnessed a wonderful array of talent unfolding as students participated with enthusiasm to welcome the freshers. There was a special dance performance by the newbies.

To keep the students entertained, team building games were hosted which was followed by refreshments.



# Leadership a virtue of life

## Student Council Elections



### THE SCHOOL WITNESSES STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS



The annual leadership elections for the 'Student Council 2022-2023' took place on the 2nd of July, 2022. The elections were held in a fair and transparent manner. A week before the elections, the nominees for the various post campaigned to mobilise their voters and win their trust. They created logos and taglines, crafted some excellent student council ideas to woo the voters. The occasion saw the candidates going the extra mile in ensuring maximum reach to all students.

**Nurturing students to be Future Leaders**



# Leadership a virtue of life

## INVESTITURE CEREMONY

### LEADERS THAT INSPIRE!



On the 15th July 2022, National Public School, Chikkabanavara held its most auspicious ceremonial occasion 'The Investiture Ceremony' with zeal and enthusiasm. The purpose of this ceremony was to vest power into the hands of the newly elected Council Members. Twenty elected students received formal charge of various responsibilities, after a rigorous and democratic process.



# Beyond the Classroom

## Word Wars

### SPELL BEE- BUZZ IT RIGHT

The school auditorium witnessed a fervent Interschool Spell Bee Competition for the students of Grades VI-VIII on August 2, 2022. Each house had three students, one from each grade. The opening round Spellbrat was followed by Sting Attack, Rebus Puzzle, Honeycomb and Word Search.

**BRAVO!.....ATHENA HOUSE.....**  
The edgy competition was won by Athena House.



## SWARMING UP TO THE WORLD OF LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

The competition aided the students to enrich their spelling talents and motivated them to widen their communication and comprehension skills in English Language. Audience participation and involvement gave the competition an extra edge even as challenging questions helped bring the competition to a nail-biting finish.



# Beyond the Classroom



Storytelling  
competition

**If you don't feel it....You won't remember it!!**



In order to develop a love for reading and the ability to understand different emotions, a Story Telling Competition was organised for the students of grades III-V during the literary week. The students used gestures, voice modulation and props while narrating the stories.



# Workshops Gallare...

## EXPERIMENTAL LEARNING



NPS Chikkabanavara, had organized a session on "Experimental Learning" on the 3rd of August 2022 in the school premises for the students of Grades X-XII.

The Regional Convener of Indian Association of Physics Teachers, Mrs. Sharmishta Sahu was at the school for an interactive session with the students. Students performed experiments in optics, where they were given hands-on learning and taught the derivations for images through multiple mirrors through observation and inference.



# Workshops Gallare....

## INSPIRING THE YOUNG MINDS! LEADERSHIP SKILLS FOR STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS



### Leadership Skills



**Leadership and Learning are indispensable to each other. Leadership training is important to teach the budding leaders various skills and techniques to help them succeed as exemplary leaders, and develop and inspire the young citizens who are also motivated to succeed.**

**National Public School, Chikkabanavara organised a workshop on Leadership Skills for the members of the Student Council and the students of grade XII, on the 8th of August, 2022. It focused on exploring the creativity of the students and helped them understand their roles as leaders and view challenges from a new perspective.**

**The five-hour workshop was beneficial to the current and future leaders as there were numerous innovative activities to nurture their leadership capacity. This remarkable workshop helped in fostering the intellectual abilities of the students and enabled them to think and act in a ground-breaking and artistic manner. It also facilitated the promising youngsters to build their confidence so that they can approach problems with clarity and have the skills needed to determine and implement fast and effective solutions.**



# Workshops Gallare....

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT by Mrs. Mary Thomas Academic Director and Principal NPS, Chikkabanavara**



**A workshop on Professional Development was conducted by The Academic Director and Principal, Mrs. Mary Thomas for the Teaching as well as the Admin Staff. The workshop was interactive and activity based. To break inhibitions among the participants and help them to ease into the session an icebreaker was conducted at the onset of the workshop.**



# Workshops Gallare....

## **Different Folks Different Strokes WORKSHOP ON SITUATIONAL LEADERSHIP**



*A Leadership of a new language!*

A Workshop for teachers on 'Situational Leadership; was organised on the 6th of August 2022. The session began with the participants listing out the qualities of a good leader. 'The Situational Leadership' methodology is based on the relationship between leaders and followers and provides a framework to analyse each situation based on the performance, readiness level that a follower exhibits in performing a specific, task or function.. The session ended on a positive note with great take aways in terms of the knowledge gained and the learnings to be put to good use in the coming days.



# Beyond the Classroom

75  
Azadi Ka  
Amrit Mahotsav

**'AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV' –  
75th ANNIVERSARY OF INDIAN INDEPENDENCE**



## **Learn from the Past Plan for the Future**

**A magnificent Independence Day celebration was organised on the 15th of August, 2022. The significant occasion started with the hoisting of the Indian tricolour by the CEO Mrs. Preethi Reddy and the Academic Director and Principal Mrs. Mary Thomas followed by the National Anthem. The celebrations witnessed renditions of patriotic songs and dance performances by students, which exhibited their love for the nation and patriotism.**



# Beyond the Classroom



## 'AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV' – 75th ANNIVERSARY OF INDIAN INDEPENDENCE



National Public School, Chikkabanavara enthusiastically celebrated the anniversary of India's Independence with great patriotic zeal and fervour. Keeping the spirit of 'Azaadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' up, the festivities started a week before the Independence Day.

A cultural week titled 'Incredible India' was celebrated across all grades during the morning assembly to highlight the uniqueness embedded in the spirit of our motherland. An art competition was held across grades I to XII.



# Beyond the Classroom



## LEARNING BY DOING! MATHEMATICS LABORATORY



*'Mathematics is the most beautiful and most powerful creation of the human spirit.'*

Mathematics Laboratory is a practical oriented space where students can learn and explore mathematical concepts and verify mathematical facts and theorems through a variety of activities using different techniques. The Mathematics Laboratory of National Public School, Chikkabanavara was inaugurated by the CEO Mrs. Preethi Reddy and Academic Director & Principal Mrs. Mary Thomas with the objective to introduce practical mathematical approach.

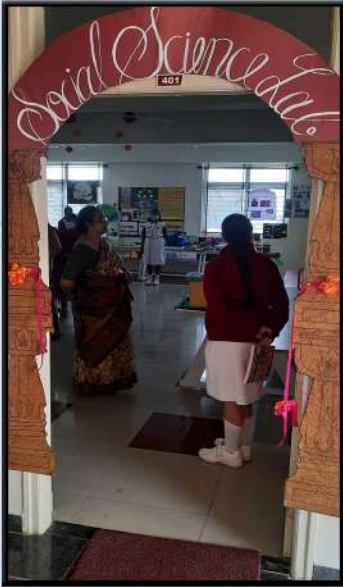
The initiative for the launch of the lab aims at making the vital subject Mathematics simpler, easier, and fun to learn for the students. The Mathematics laboratory helps the students to bridge the gap between real and abstract worlds. It helps the students learn and explore mathematics concepts and verify mathematical facts using multiple teaching and learning aids, consisting of technology applications, measuring instruments, tables, and charts etc. It also enables the teachers to demonstrate, explain and reinforce abstract mathematical ideas by using concrete objects, models, charts, graphs, pictures, posters etc. Students learn to understand their world in terms of numbers and shapes. It also encourages the students to think, discuss among themselves as well as with the teacher, and assimilate concepts. The Mathematics Laboratory is a breakthrough initiative to make the present curriculum simpler and interesting, thereby bring back the joy of learning Mathematics.



# Beyond the Classroom



## The Social Science Laboratory



The Social Science lab was a new venture into the history of NPS, Ckbnr. It was a momentous occasion for the department as it was inaugurated by our honourable CEO Mrs. Preethi Reddy and our beloved Principal Mrs. Mary Thomas. The lab has been set up with the idea of making the subject more interesting. It caters to all the different branches of Social Science namely Political Science, History and Geography. A collection of items from these different areas were displayed for a glimpse into the World of Social Science.



# Beyond the Classroom



## DEBATE COMPETITION - CLASHING VIEWS



NPS, Chikkabanavara organised an Interhouse Debate Competition for the students of grades IX-XII on August 22, 2022 in the school auditorium. The objective of the competition was to enhance the speaking skills of the students and to be assertive in communicating their views on the given topics.



# Beyond the Classroom

## National Sports Day



*In remembrance of Major Dhyan Chand...*

The National Sports Day or Rashtriya Khel Diwas is marked as a very special occasion in India as we celebrate the hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand's birth anniversary on August 29 every year. However, this day is also an annual reminder of the need for sporting activities in life.

To mark the significance of this day the P.E teachers of NPS, Chikkabanavara organised several activities throughout the week for students across all grades. The Sports Captain Master Shiva and Vice Sports Captain Master Naman conducted a special morning assembly wherein they spoke about the innumerable benefits of sports.



# Beyond the Classroom



**HINDI HAMAARI SHAAN HAI ;  
DESH KA ABHIMAAN HAI**



Language and culture has a vital role in uniting the people and making a country strong. India celebrates Hindi Divas on 14th September with great pride and vigor as Hindi is adopted as one of the official languages of India.

A special assembly was conducted on Hindi Divas which included a unique Hindi Song, Poem Recitation, Doha Vachana and Speech and it was anchored in Hindi by Poonam Kamath of Grade IX.

The assembly programmes echoed a sense of respect and love towards the language and it was a pleasure to be a part of the same.



# Beyond the Classroom

May the lamps of Diwali brighten your tomorrows  
and  
Rangoli add more hues to your life!



## DEEPA NJALI-2022.



The annual Diwali celebration saw the return of festivities post the Pandemic restrictions, In a first of its kind, NPS,Ckbnr played host to its parents and well-wishers. The celebration of Diwali was on a grand scale and the evening came alive at NPS, Ckbnr when the whole school wore a festive look with diyas and lanterns adorning the corridors.



# Beyond the Classroom

## Deepanjali-2025.



The Parents of the students of Pre-primary to Grade II were invited to make the event more sparkling and exciting. They captured the spirit of Diwali whole-heartedly by enthusiastically participating in various events like Lantern Making, Rangoli, Painting, Diya, and Thalli Decoration, and Making of Torans. The parents showcased the spirit of the festivity through solo songs and scintillating Group Dance performances which added an ambience of joy and happiness. A special Dance performance by the teachers, the students and our alumni were the highlight of the evening thus concluding an eventful and memorable evening.



# Beyond the Classroom

## Stay Connected - Alumni Meet

### 2022-2023



With the purpose of reminiscing the memorable experiences and sharing stories of success and most important to reinforce our commitment of the value system of National Public School, Chikkabanavara an Alumni Association was formed on the 15th of October 2022. The association was inaugurated by our Honourable CEO Mrs Preethi Reddy and Our Respected Academic Director and Principal Mrs Mary Thomas. To maintain active status and smooth running of the association elections were held. The elections were digital, making it easy for alumni to cast their vote. Running an official National Public School, Ckbnr Alumni Association requires the efforts of multiple board members working together to be truly successful.

**The Leadership Board consists of six members-**

**President-YASH AGARWAL**

**Vice President -MANAV GOYAL**

**Secretary-PRANAV B M**

**Treasurer- ANUSHA VASIST**

**Joint Secretary-PRANAV POOVAIAH**

**Joint Treasurer- NISARGA A SHETTY.**

**The association will hold elections tri-annually.**



# Beyond the Classroom



## Timeless Bonds!!

**It's the Teacher that Makes the Difference not the Classroom!!!**



**The Teachers' Day Celebrations at NPS, Chikkabanavara was a day full of fun and frolic. Heart-warming speeches and musical performances, uproarious skits, and skilfully choreographed dance sequences made the day exceedingly special for the teachers.**



# Beyond the Classroom

field trip

## EXHILARATING EXCURSION... VISIT TO IIHR 2022-23

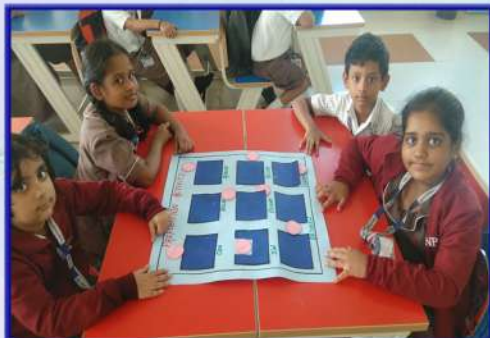
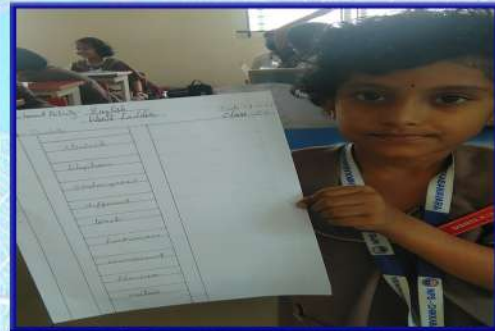


**“Exploration is just curiosity put into action” .....and we here at NPS strongly believe in giving way for children to explore and learn to the best of their abilities through hands-on experience. One of such outlets for exploration includes the recent trip to ICAR(Indian Council of Agriculture Research) IIHR(Indian Institute of Horticulture Research) by the students of grades VIII-XII. This educational trip enabled our children to see beyond just the beauty of nature, appreciating the methodical efficiency with which the world of horticulture functions and flourishes.They had a great experience and were thrilled to acknowledge the hybrids created under the renowned trademark “ARKA”. The students also ventured into the world of books at the library, the world of laboratories and much more.**



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## Subject Enrichment Activity





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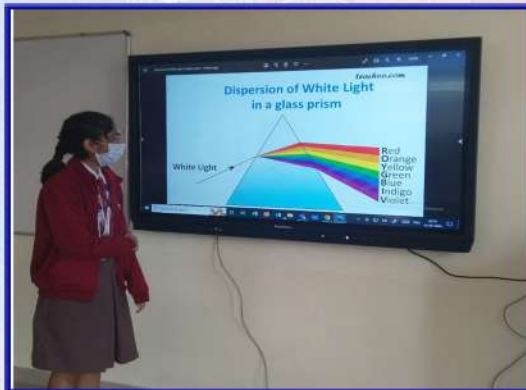
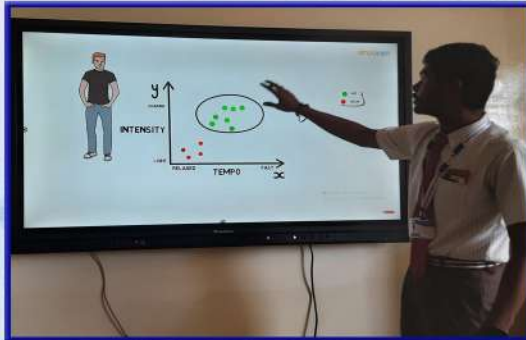
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# Beyond the Classroom



*Happy  
Teachers'  
Day*

**REJUVENATE  
BONDING TIME  
TEACHERS' DAY FUN.....**





# Beyond the Classroom

