

*"Leadership is a combination of courage, clarity, and compassion."
- Gurudev Sri Sri Ravishankar*



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Investiture Ceremony



The Investiture Ceremony for the academic year 2026–2027 was held on 2 July 2026 at the Shrishti Open Auditorium. The ceremony marked the formal induction of the newly elected Student Council and celebrated the values of leadership, responsibility, integrity and service.

The programme commenced with Tamil Thaai Vaazhthu, followed by the Prayer Song and the traditional Lighting of the Kuthuvilakku, symbolising the dispelling of darkness through knowledge and wisdom. The gathering warmly welcomed the Chief Guest, Mrs. Gargi Banerjee, Principal, Sri Sri Academy, Kolkata, whose gracious presence made the occasion truly memorable. The School Council members, House Captains and Vice Captains were formally announced and honoured

with Sashes, Badges and Scrolls, signifying the responsibilities entrusted to them. A solemn Candle Lighting Ceremony and the Swearing-in Ceremony reflected the commitment of the young leaders to uphold the values and traditions of the school.

In her inspiring address, Mrs. Gargi Banerjee encouraged the students to lead with confidence, humility and dedication, reminding them that true leadership lies in serving others with sincerity and compassion. The ceremony concluded with the School Song, Vote of Thanks and the National Anthem, inspiring the newly elected leaders to carry forward the school's vision of "Lead Today. Inspire Tomorrow."

August.....

The Thunder and the Power of the Sky



The summer heat may try to linger,
Yet the cool storm waits a single finger.



August's thunder, a booming, rolling sound,
Shakes the wide air above and the ground.



The golden crops approach the full harvest,
In a sky of both storm and light at its best.

DO YOU KNOW?

August is named in honor of Augustus Caesar, the first Roman emperor who brought peace and stability to the Roman world. He was the adopted son of Julius.



Investiture Ceremony (Cont..)



Community Service at Vellore Blind School

As part of our school's community service initiative, a team of student leaders, accompanied by Mrs. V. Suriya-PGT Chemistry and coordinated by Mr. Prakash P., Sr. Sec. Coordinator, visited the Vellore Blind School on 18 July 2026. The initiative was organised to instil empathy, compassion, and a sense of social responsibility among students while providing meaningful support to the visually impaired community. During the visit, the student volunteers actively assisted the

visually impaired learners in preparing for their examinations by reading aloud from textbooks, study materials, and other academic resources. The beneficiaries included students, teachers pursuing higher studies, and adults preparing for various competitive examinations. Through their dedicated efforts, the volunteers helped bridge learning barriers and encouraged the learners to pursue their academic goals with confidence. The programme was a deeply

enriching experience for everyone involved. It enabled the student volunteers to appreciate the resilience, determination, and aspirations of the visually impaired learners while reinforcing the values of kindness, inclusivity, and selfless service. The visit concluded with a group interaction leaving behind cherished memories and reaffirming the belief that small acts of service can make a meaningful difference in transforming lives.



Community Service – Serving with Compassion (Junior School Facilitators)



As part of our commitment to social responsibility and inclusive education, a team of teachers visited a school for the visually impaired on 25th July 2026 to extend meaningful educational support and make a positive difference in the lives of the students.

The teachers conducted interactive reading sessions by reading textbooks and storybooks aloud, helping the students engage with their lessons in an encouraging and enjoyable environment. They also assisted in organising and aligning computer systems in the school's computer laboratory, making the devices more accessible and convenient

for student use. In addition, the team recorded important study materials in audio format, providing valuable learning resources that enable students to revise lessons independently and confidently.

The visit proved to be a truly enriching experience for both the teachers and the students. It highlighted the importance of empathy, accessibility and inclusive education while reinforcing the values of compassion, service and community engagement. Such initiatives continue to inspire our educators to contribute towards building a more caring, supportive and inclusive society.



Learning Beyond the Classroom Grade VIII Educational Field Visit



As part of the Kaushal Bodh – Vocational Education Programme, 145 Grade VIII students, accompanied by eight teachers, visited the Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Virinjipuram, on 8 July 2026.

Dr. Ramasamy, Assistant Professor, introduced students to hydroponics, explaining its systems, benefits, and differences from traditional farming. The visit included a hands-on activity where students prepared germination beds by spreading paddy straw and sowing soaked maize seeds, helping them apply classroom concepts in a practical setting. Students also explored the centre and interacted with farm animals, making the experience engaging and enjoyable.

The visit enhanced their understanding of sustainable agriculture and encouraged experiential learning beyond the classroom.



HANDICRAFT CELEBRATION: CLASS IX 'B' CRAFTS TRADITIONAL PANKHAS



As part of their CBSE lesson Winds of Change, the students of Class IX 'B' participated in a vibrant craft activity on 17 July 2026, celebrating India's rich handicraft tradition. Facilitated by Dr. Mohammed Ismail R, the session challenged students to work in teams to design and create traditional pankhas (hand fans) within a 30-minute timeframe. Using colourful materials and innovative ideas, the students demonstrated exceptional teamwork, quick decision-making, and artistic expression. The activity successfully fostered a deeper cultural appreciation for India's traditional craftsmanship. The session concluded with an impressive exhibition of the beautifully crafted pankhas, standing as a testament to the students' creativity and collaborative spirit.



StoryBridge – Connecting Generations, One Story at a Time (Middle School)

Shrishti Vidyashram Sr. Sec. School successfully organised StoryBridge – Connecting Generations, One Story at a Time, a unique storytelling initiative held from 22 to 27 July 2026, celebrating the wisdom and experiences of grandparents. The programme invited grandparents to interact with students across Kindergarten, Primary and Middle School through engaging storytelling sessions that blended life lessons with cherished memories.

The classrooms came alive as grandparents narrated inspiring, value-based stories highlighting kindness, perseverance, respect, responsibility and family values. Students listened with enthusiasm, interacted with the storytellers and reflected on the meaningful messages conveyed through every story. The initiative strengthened the bond between generations while enhancing students' listening, communication and imagination.

More than a storytelling programme, StoryBridge became a celebration of family, heritage and shared values. It created unforgettable memories for both grandparents and students, reinforcing the belief that every story carries wisdom and every generation has something valuable to teach the next. The initiative beautifully reflected its message: "Be a Story. Build a Bridge."

**– Mr. Prem Anand
SDIC Coordinator**



Parents Visitation Day: Strengthening the Home-School Partnership (Grade V – 31 July 2026)

Parents Visitation Day was conducted successfully with the objective of strengthening the partnership between the school and parents by providing them with a firsthand experience of the classroom environment. The initiative offered parents a valuable opportunity to gain deeper insights into their children's learning journey.

During the programme, parents sat alongside their children in regular classroom sessions and observed the teaching-learning process in action. They experienced lessons conducted by subject teachers, witnessed student engagement, classroom interactions, and a variety of learning activities. This immersive experience enabled parents to better understand the school's academic expectations, teaching methodologies, and classroom practices. The programme was well received and served as a meaningful step towards fostering stronger collaboration, trust and shared responsibility between parents and educators in supporting students' overall growth.



KINDERGARTEN

Colours Day Celebration

The Kindergarten campus came alive with vibrant colours as children enthusiastically celebrated Colours Day through a series of engaging theme-based activities. Each colour-themed day offered unique learning experiences, including parades, songs, rhymes, storytelling, art and craft, interactive games, healthy snack time, and creative classroom activities. Dressed in colourful attire, the little learners confidently explored the significance of each colour while enhancing their observation, vocabulary, creativity, communication, and fine motor skills. The joyful celebrations transformed learning into an exciting adventure, making every day memorable and reinforcing the concept of colours through fun-filled, hands-on experiences.



StoryBridge – Connecting Generations

A heartwarming StoryBridge session brought grandparents and Kindergarten children together through the timeless art of storytelling. Grandparents captivated the young audience with inspiring, value-based stories using creative teaching aids, making each session meaningful and engaging. The initiative fostered moral values, strengthened intergenerational bonds, and preserved cultural traditions while encouraging joyful interactions between children and their grandparents. The programme concluded with an emotional memento presentation and a feedback session, leaving cherished memories and celebrating the power of stories to connect generations.



Chocolate Day Celebration

Sweet smiles and joyful laughter filled the Kindergarten classrooms during the Chocolate Day Celebration. Children enthusiastically participated in a chocolate-themed ramp walk, an exciting chocolate hunt, and a live demonstration of chocolate laddu making, where they learned about hygienic food preparation and the values of sharing and caring. The celebration concluded with a colourful craft activity that encouraged creativity and fine motor development. The fun-filled event provided memorable hands-on learning experiences while building confidence, teamwork, and social interaction among the young learners.



EDU TALK 5.0

Grade III (09.07.2026)

Patience is a Virtue – Learning to Wait Calmly

The EduTalk 5.0 session for Grade III focused on the importance of patience as a key life skill. The session, led by **Ms. Smaranika Tudu**, Counsellor, engaged students through stories, interactive discussions and real-life examples that highlighted the value of self-control and thoughtful decision-making. Students learnt that waiting calmly, managing emotions and making wise choices help build confidence, resilience and positive relationships. The session encouraged children to practise patience in their everyday lives and develop a calm and positive attitude.



Grade VIII (16.07.2026)

Empathy – Understanding Others' Feelings



EduTalk 5.0 for Grade VIII centred on the theme of empathy and its role in building meaningful relationships. **Mrs. Soundarya Subramanian**, Secondary School Coordinator, inspired students to understand and appreciate the emotions and perspectives of others. Through engaging activities and practical examples, students explored the importance of kindness, active listening and compassion. The session motivated them to become caring individuals who contribute to a respectful, inclusive and supportive school community.

Grade IX (23.07.2026)

Gender Equality and Mutual Respect

The EduTalk 5.0 session for Grade IX addressed the significance of gender equality and mutual respect in creating a harmonious society. **Mrs. Naanmalar B.**, Middle School Coordinator, encouraged students to embrace fairness, dignity and inclusivity while challenging stereotypes and respecting individual differences. Through thought-provoking discussions, students recognised that equality begins with everyday actions and that mutual respect forms the foundation of healthy relationships and responsible citizenship.



Grade XI (30.07.2026)

Balancing Ambition with Humility



EduTalk 5.0 for Grade XI focused on achieving success while remaining humble and grounded. The session, presented by **Ms. Anisha David** and **Ms. Madhubala Jayaraman**, Counsellors, encouraged students to pursue their goals with determination while valuing gratitude, empathy and integrity. Through inspiring examples and practical guidance, students learnt that true leadership is built on character, respect and a willingness to learn. The session reinforced the importance of balancing confidence with humility for holistic personal and academic growth.

STUDENTS

Corner



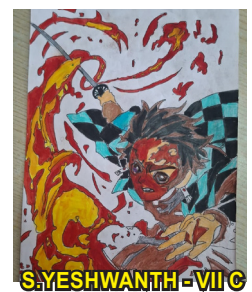
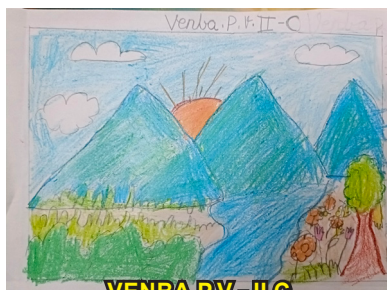
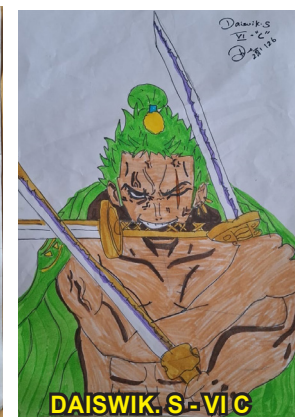
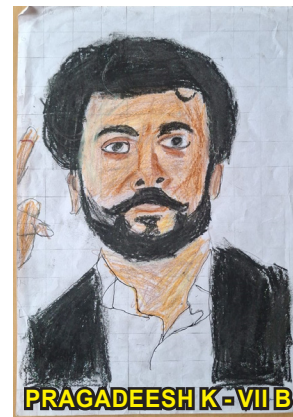
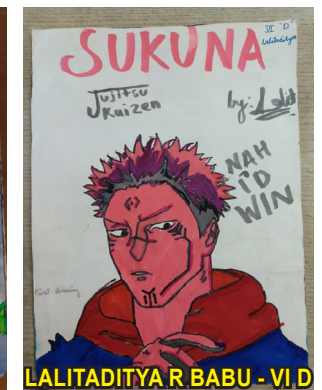
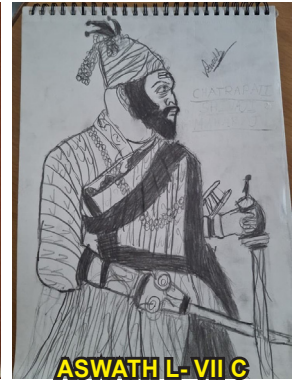
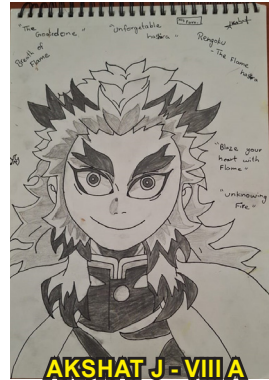
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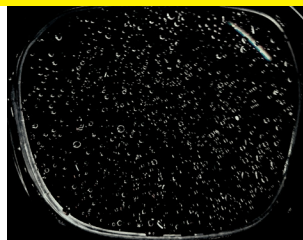
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heavy truths of life which no
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Renunciating everything he
owns to weave something
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Pouring himself to his family
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that the Diamonds he sculpt-
ed would soon shine with
unrivalled brilliance

- F. Falisha Ahamed (XII B2)



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Send your achievements / articles
/ stories / art work / poems / other
creative work to shnl22@shrishti.org

Building Bright Foundations

Every child who walks through our school gates brings with them a world of dreams, endless curiosity, and incredible potential. The early years are not just about learning to read, write, and count—they are about discovering the joy of learning, building confidence, and developing values that will last a lifetime. As educators, we are privileged to be a part of this beautiful journey.

At our Junior School, we believe learning should be filled with wonder. A story that sparks imagination, a science activity that invites questions, a game that teaches teamwork, or a simple classroom discussion that encourages every child to share an idea—these are the moments that truly shape young minds. We want our children to look forward to coming to school each day because learning is exciting, meaningful, and fun.

Strong foundations are built one step at a time. We nurture language through reading, storytelling, StoryBridge - One story at a time by inviting a grandparent, conversations, and creative expression, helping children find their unique voice. Numeracy is brought to life through hands-on experiences and real-world connections, enabling children to understand concepts rather than memorize them. Equally important are the values we instill every day—kindness, honesty, empathy, discipline, and respect. Through our EduTalk sessions and everyday interactions, children learn that character is built through small acts of goodness and thoughtful choices.

Education, however, extends far beyond the pages of a textbook. Every child deserves opportunities to sing, paint, play, explore, question, and create. Through art, music, sports, and Interaction Time, we encourage children to discover their strengths, express themselves confidently, and understand that mistakes are not failures but stepping stones to growth.

A child's success is never the work of the school alone. It blossoms when parents and teachers walk together with a shared vision. Your encouragement at home, combined

with our guidance at school, creates a strong support system that allows every child to thrive. We deeply value this partnership and cherish every opportunity to learn and grow together.

As we prepare our children for the future, our goal is not only to help them excel academically but also to shape compassionate, resilient, and responsible individuals. We want them to ask questions, think independently, embrace challenges, respect differences, and use technology wisely. These are the qualities that will empower them to succeed in a rapidly changing world.

As the saying goes, "Children are not vessels to be filled but lamps to be lit." Every smile we encourage, every value we nurture, and every opportunity we provide adds a little more light to their journey. Together, let us continue to inspire young minds, celebrate every milestone, and build a future where every child grows with confidence, compassion, and the courage to dream big.



- Mrs. Hajira Parveen A
Primary Coordinator
Dept. of English

Time – Your Greatest Investment

As the Quarterly Examinations are approaching, this is the right time to pause and ask yourself a simple question: "Am I using my time wisely?"

Every student has the same 24 hours in a day. The difference is not in the amount of time available, but in how that time is planned and utilized.

A personal timetable is one of the simplest yet most effective tools for exam preparation. It does not have to be perfect or complicated. Create a timetable that suits your routine, set realistic goals, and follow it consistently. Studying every subject with equal attention and revising regularly is far more effective than trying to study everything at the last moment.

Remember, your timetable should work for you, not against you. If one plan does not work, do not give up—modify it and continue. Consistency is always more powerful than perfection.

Every chapter you complete, every concept you revise, and every question you practise is a small investment in your future. These small efforts, repeated every day, build confidence and prepare you for success.

A Thought to Remember...

A timetable is not just a schedule—it is a promise you make to yourself. Keep that promise, one day at a time, and your efforts will surely bring good results.

"Success doesn't come from having more time. It comes from making better use of the time you already have."



- Mrs. S. Bharathi
Head of Chemistry Dept.

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