"Purity in heart, clarity in mind, sincerity in action and contentment is the formula for happiness." - Gurudev Sri Sri Ravishankar



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## **Diwali Celebration - 2025**





























The festival of lights, Diwali, was celebrated by VI to IX graders (CBSE) with great joy and enthusiasm on 18th October 2025 at 10:30 a.m. in the open auditorium. The venue was beautifully decorated with colourful rangolis, diyas, and flowers, creating a festive atmosphere filled with excitement and happiness.

The programme commenced with a Prayer Song, invoking divine blessings for a harmonious and prosperous life. This was followed by an elegant Invocation Dance,

gracefully performed by IX graders, symbolising devotion and the triumph of light over darkness.

Lighting of the Kuthu Vilakku by the dignitaries marked the auspicious beginning of the celebration. Signifying the spreading of knowledge and positivity by following this, a Speech on "Diwali Celebrations in Different Regions of World" was delivered, highlighting the diverse customs and traditions followed across the world during this festival.

A thought-provoking Mime on Eco-Friendly Diwali was then presented by the grade IX students, emphasizing the importance of celebrating Diwali in an environmentally responsible way—by avoiding crackers, reducing pollution, and promoting green practices.

The event continued with Special Songs in Hindi sung melodiously by students of Grade IX and XI, filling the hall with festive cheer. This was followed by a beautiful Hindi Poem, which conveyed

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the essence of light, goodness, and the victory of virtue.

The highlight of the day was a Skit performed by grade IX students based on "Ramayana – Ayodhya Ram". The performance portrayed the return of Lord Rama to Ayodhya after 14 years of exile and his triumph over evil, captivating everyone with its devotion and message of righteousness.

Our Head of School, Mr. M.S. Saravanan, then addressed the gathering with an

inspiring message, urging students to celebrate Diwali safely and happily, spreading love and joy with family and friends. Following this, Mr. Manimegan (Matric) read out the Do's and Don'ts of Diwali, reminding everyone about safety precautions and environmental awareness during the festival.

The celebration concluded with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks delivered by Mr. Arun from Matric, expressing gratitude to all the participants, teachers, and staff for their dedicated efforts in making the event a grand success.

The entire programme was beautifully compered by our talented comperers, ensuring a smooth flow of events. The Diwali celebration at Shrishti School was truly a memorable occasion that filled everyone's hearts with joy, positivity, and festive spirit.

- Ms. Monisha (Dept. of Biology)

### A Day of Fun and Learning - Excursion for Grade IV & V



























Students of Grades IV and V enjoyed an exciting day filled with fun, laughter, and learning during their excursion to Enjoy Kids - Perumugai, 7 km away from Vellore, on October 14, 2025 (Grade IV) and October 15, 2025 (Grade V). The trip offered them a perfect blend of adventure and teamwork as they explored play zones, participated in engaging activities, and bonded with friends. It was truly a joyful and memorable experience for all!

## **Achievements!**



BOSTON GLOBAL FORUM HONORS GURUDEV SRI SRI RAVI SHANKAR WITH THE 2025 WORLD LEADER FOR PEACE AND SECURITY AWARD

# **International and National Level Acting Competitions**

Our school is delighted to share that Suvisha of Grade XII A2 has been honoured with an incentive of ₹1.50 lakh at the award ceremony organised by the Tamil Nadu Government. Shereceived this recognition for her outstanding performance and for winning medals in International and National Level Acting Competitions. Her achievement is a moment of pride and inspiration for the entire Shrishti family!





VFC Organised District-Level 5-A-Side Futsal Tournament

Our school team showcased excellent sportsmanship and skill, securing the Runner-Up position in the District-Level 5-A-Side Futsal Tournament organised by VFC.



## **Vocal for Local - Cane Furniture & Pot Making**













On October 8, 2025, students of Shrishti Vidyashram visited Kasi Visalakshi Cane Craft, Walajapet, and a pottery unit at Kosa Street, Arcot, as part of the "Vocal for Local" initiative. They observed the traditional processes of cane furniture and pottery making, interacted with artisans, and learned about the skill, creativity, and sustainability behind these crafts. The visits inspired students to appreciate Indian craftsmanship, support local artisans, and promote eco-friendly, handmade products through awareness videos they later created.

- Mr. Prem Anand (Dept. of English)

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# Digital Literacy Workshop













A digital literacy workshop was conducted with a special focus on cyber safety and awareness for the XI students. Mr. Sathishkumar A, Sub-Inspector of Police, Vellore delivered a guest lecture on real-world cyber threats and shared practical safety.

As a part of the program, students performed a skit in which the Cyber Crime Officer explained the nature of the scam, educated the victim and the audience on identifying online fraud, and highlighted the importance of reporting such crimes to the authorities.

The workshop emphasized that reporting cybercrime is a civic responsibility that helps prevent further incidents. It aimed to build a secure digital society by creating vigilant citizens who act as a "human firewall," strengthening the nation's digital resilience.

Students pledged to be more cautious online and to share their learning with family and friends, promoting wider cyber awareness.

## Sustainable Development

An educational tour was organized to help students of grade XI gain a deeper understanding of the sustainable development initiatives practiced in our school. The visit began at the wastewater treatment plant located behind the hostel, where restroom water is treated with specific chemicals and made suitable for reuse.

Students then actively participated in a cleanliness drive alongside the sweepers, reinforcing the importance of campus hygiene. This was followed by a visit to the junk storage yard, where we observed the proper segregation and disposal of waste. The final stop was the school farm. which uses the treated water for irrigation and integrates ruminant animals, thereby creating a sustainable, closed-loop system. Throughout this activity, students interacted inquisitively to understand the processes of water recycling and waste management. This exposure gave them practical knowledge of how wastewater can be effectively treated and reused in agriculture, helping reduce environmental pollution. Such initiatives encourage environmental



responsibility, resource conservation, and hygiene awareness, contributing to a sustainable and healthy community.

In the future, students will apply these learnings by using water responsibly, segregating waste at the source, and spreading awareness about sustainable living. This experience has truly inspired all to make wise choices and contribute to a cleaner, greener future.

### **Mock Parliament**

A Mock Parliament Simulation was organized in our school by the Grade XI students as part of the Nation Building Project, modeled on the proceedings of the Lok Sabha. Students were divided into various political parties, including the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Indian National Congress (INC), and their alliance partners.

The session was chaired by Mr. Sanket Maniyar and Ms. Ayesha Batul, representatives from Vellore Institute of Technology, and coordinated by a joint student—teacher committee.

Parliamentary procedures such as agenda setting, moderated caucuses, questioning sessions, and party collaboration were diligently followed, giving students a realistic understanding of India's democratic legislature in action. Delegates actively debated, raised questions, and set two key agendas that guided discussions on pressing national issues.

Prize Winners

- Best Delegate Mohammed Ayaan Ahmed (XI A)
- High Commendation Thanishri V (XI A1)
- Special Mention Sanjithan J (XI A3), Saindhavi (XI B3)
- Honourable Mention Himalayas P.K (XI B2), Sahana (XI B3), Hoviya Jayaprakash (XI B2)
- Verbal Mention Ajay Krishna (XI C), Sarvesh S (XI B2), Divya (XI A2)
- International Press (Best Delegate) Srimathi I (XI A2)

The event greatly enhanced students' public speaking, strategic thinking, and teamwork skills, while deepening their appreciation for parliamentary processes and democratic values. It fostered confidence, leadership, and respectful debate, preparing students to become informed and responsible citizens who can contribute to nation building.



- Mr. Samuel Dosson (Dept. of Physics)

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# STUDENTS

## Corner



# Being a Commerce Student

"Commerce: the stream that connects classrooms to the real world."

Some people say science students deal with formulae, arts students deal with creativity, and commerce students deal with... calculators. While that might be partly true, being in commerce is much more than solving sums—it's about understanding how money, markets, and management actually work.

As commerce students, we study subjects like Accountancy, Business Studies, and Economics—each adding a different dimension to our understanding of how society functions. From managing accounts to analyzing markets, commerce allows us to see the flow of money and decisions that drive businesses and economies. This is knowledge we can relate to in daily life—whether discussing rising prices at home, understanding banking policies, or debating government economic decisions.

One of the biggest strengths of commerce is the wide range of opportunities it creates. Careers in Chartered Accountancy, Company Secretaryship, Banking, Management, and even Entrepreneurship begin with this stream. Commerce also integrates with modern technology through fintech and digital marketing. For students who want to combine theoretical knowledge with practical ambition, commerce serves as a strong foundation to build a successful future.

The path, however, is not without challenges. Balance Sheets refuse to balance, economic graphs can test patience, and memorizing principles can feel overwhelming. Yet, these very struggles teach discipline and problemsolving while developing skills like analytical thinking and decision-making. Many successful business leaders began their journey with commerce foundations. In the end, commerce is both demanding and rewarding—preparing us not only for exams but also for life beyond school.

- Madhumita B.R. (Grade XII C)

# My Experiences and Learning @PRERANA



I am truly glad to share my experience from the exclusive national event "Prerana Utsav", which I would proudly call one of the best events I have ever attended. The one-week journey at Prerana has gifted me memories to cherish for a lifetime.

The ultimate aim of this program was to prepare young leaders to contribute towards the dream of "Viksit Bharat @ 2047." The foundation for this vision was laid through 10 inspiring sessions, each based on a core value, conducted by 9 exceptional mentors who embodied the true spirit of teaching and leadership.

I was part of Batch No. 64, representing Vellore district, along with another student and our Guardian Teacher (GT). Participants from 10 districts across India came together, giving us the opportunity to experience the diverse cultures, languages, and traditions of our country. I also improved my Hindi vocabulary while communicating with friends from other states.

A highlight of the program was the chance to work with 3D printing technology to create our own models—an exciting and futuristic experience! Another unforgettable moment was meeting Shri Vivek Aggarwal, the Cultural Secretary of India, in person. We even had the rare honour of writing a personal letter to our Honourable Prime Minister!

Among all the sessions, the one that influenced me the most was on the "Indian Knowledge System (IKS)". It beautifully explained the greatness of Samskrit, the most scientific and one of world's oldest languages, and how many concepts of

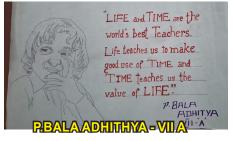
modern science were already mentioned in ancient scriptures like the Rigveda, which even refers to early ideas similar to test-tube babies and IVF!

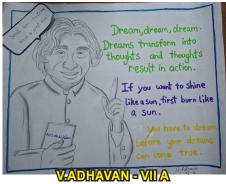
The ten core values taught at Prerana were:

- 1. Courage and Bravery
- 2. Pride and Humility
- 3. Truth and Honesty
- 4. Perseverance and Dedication
- 5. Compassion and Service
- 6. Innovation and Curiosity
- 7. Admiration and Faith
- 8. Freedom and Duty
- 9. Diversity and Unity
- 10. Indian Knowledge System

Prerana Utsav was not just a program it was a transformative experience that strengthened my belief in our nation's rich heritage and bright future.

#### - Yuvanesh Raaj PN (XII A1)





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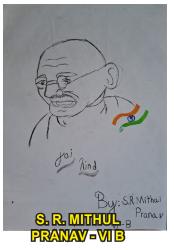




















SANJITH SEXHAR ROY = VI @

YAZHINI SIYANANTI'AM = XI B4

Dear Students, if your submissions aren't featured this month, they'll be considered for the following issue.



#### Word-O-Maze

#### (Confusing words)

1. Voracious - Having an extremely eager or insatiable appetite, often for food or for something abstract like knowledge or learning.

**Example:** She has a voracious appetite for books and reads several books every week.

2. Veracious - It means being truthful, honest, or accurate. It describes someone or something that consistently adheres to the truth.

**Example:** She's known for her veracious account of events, never exaggerating or hiding any detail.

#### Idioms

Take it with a grain of salt - To view something with skepticism or not to take it literally.

**Example:** Whenever I read online reviews, I tried to take them with a grain of salt, as some people may be overly critical or biased.

Back to the drawing board - To start over with a fresh plan or approach after a failure or setback.

**Example:** Their project proposal was rejected, so it's back to the drawing board for them to come up with a better idea.

- Ms. Punitha (Dept. of English)

#### Special Days in October

Oct 1



#### **World Vegetarian** Day

Promotes the benefits of vegetarianism for health and the environment.

Oct 8



## Day

Honors the foundation of the Indian Air Force and its service to the nation

Oct 15



#### **Indian Air Force** Global Handwashing Day

Encourages hand hygiene to prevent disease

Oct 15



#### World Students' Day (India)

Celebrated on Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's birth anniversary, honoring his legacy as a teacher and scientist.

Oct 16



#### World Food Day

Promotes awareness of global hunger and food security.

## DID YOU KNOW?

## National Symbols of India

National Flag Tiranga

National Anthem Jana Gana Mana

National Calendar Saka Calendar

National Song Vande Mataram

National Fruit Mango

National River Ganga

National Animal Royal Bengal Tiger

National Tree Indian Banyan

National Aquatic Animal **Ganges River** Dolphin

National Bird Indian **Peacock** 

National Currency Indian Rupee

National Reptile King Cobra

National Heritage Animal **Indian Elephant** 

National Flower Lotus

National Vegetable **Pumpkin** 

Oath of Allegiance **National Pledge** 

# TEACHERS

# More Than a Subject- Why Social Science Matters



Social Science is often seen as a tough or boring subject filled with dates, facts, and long answers. But if we look deeper, we'll see that it's one of the most meaningful and heart-touching subjects we can learn. Social Science teaches us about people—their feelings, struggles, values, and dreams. When we learn about freedom fighters, social reformers, and the lives of people from different cultures, we don't just memorize facts—we feel empathy, kindness, and respect growing within them.

This subject helps us understand the world and their place in it. It helps us learn how to treat others with care, how to listen with patience, and how to speak up for what's right. These are not just skills for exams—they are values for life.

In a time when we face pressure, confusion, and emotional ups and downs, Social Science supports emotional health. It teaches us to care—not just about others, but about ourselves too. It encourages thoughtful behavior, cooperation, and strong moral character.

Let's stop calling Social Science "tough." Let's start calling it "true learning." It shapes us into responsible citizens who feel, think, and act with heart. It builds sympathy, courage, and humanity—qualities the world needs now more than

By learning SOCIAL SCIENCE let's guide our children not just to score well, but to live well. And let us all embrace Social Science—not as a challenge, but as a beautiful journey of growing strong and kind, from the inside out.



- Mrs.Jeevitha Arivazhagan Dept. of Social Science

#### வாசிப்பு ஏன் முக்கியம்?

வாசிப்பு என்பது வெறும் பாடப் புத்தகங்களைப் படிப்பது மட்டுமல்ல. அது ஒரு சிறந்த பழக்கம். இந்த பழக்கம் உங்கள் வாழ்க்கையில் பல வழிகளில் உதவும்:

அநிவை வளர்க்கிறது: புத்தகங்கள், செய்தித்தாள்கள், கட்டுரைகள் என எதைப் படித்தாலும், அது உங்களுக்குப் புதிய தகவல்களையும், உலகத்தைப் பந்நிய அநிவையும் அளிக்கிறது. அநிவுதான் உண்மையான செல்வம்!

கந்பனைத் திறனைத் தூண்டுகிறது: நீங்கள் ஒரு கதையைப் படிக்கும்போது, அதில் வரும் கதாபாத்திரங்களையும், இடங்களையும் உங்கள் மனதிந்குள் கந்பனை செய்கிநீர்கள். இது உங்கள் கந்பனைத் திறனை (Imagination) மிகவும் வளர்க்கிறது.



இது உங்கள் தாய்மொழியான தமிழில் (Tamil) மட்டுமல்லாமல், மற்ற மொழிகளிலும் சிறப்பாகப் பேசவும், எழுதவும் உதவும்.

நினைவாந்நலை அதிகரிக்கிறது: நீங்கள் ஒரு கதையைப் படிக்கும்போது, அதன் நிகழ்வுகளையும், கதாபாத்திரங்களையும் நினைவில் வைத்துக்கொள்கிறீர்கள். இது உங்கள் நினைவாந்நலை (Memory) பலப்படுத்துகிறது.



**- Mrs.Nalini** Dept. of Tamil

#### Yes, I'm A Teacher!

My journey is endless, my work has no end not a limited edition, but a lifelong blend. Yes, I'm a teacher... I gather myself with effort, yet fix my students with ease.

# Corner

I worry for their tomorrow, while my own waits in the breeze. Yes, I'm a teacher... When others chase their growth, I quietly guard my class, dreaming of their progress, watching each one surpass. Yes, I'm a teacher... Criticism may surround me, mockery may come unkind still, with patience I carry on, leaving harsh words behind. Yes, I'm a teacher... I stand with my students, whoever they choose to be, believing in their future, in the nation they will see. Yes, I'm a teacher... My joy is in their victories, my pride in what they create. Loved or unloved, it matters noteach one is my masterpiece, my fate. Yes, I'm a teacher...



- Mrs. Chithra. S. A Dept. of English

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