

**CHINMAYA VIDYALAYA HSG UNIT,
WEST KOCHI**

HSG/KL/IR/80-22

PRESENTS

**HINDUSTAN SCOUTS AND GUIDES
REPORT - 2023-24**



***“A Scout is never taken by surprise; he
knows exactly what to do when anything
unexpected happens.”***

EVENT NAME: SCHOOL RE-OPENING (1st June)

A grand re-opening ceremony was organised on 1st June to welcome the zestful young scholars back to school. The campus was completely adorned with colourful hangings and gingling beats. The pleasant music played in the morning hours brought a special delight. Principal Dr. M Anilkumar graced the occasion by his words of blessings. Vice Principal Ms. Pinky Mohanlal led an oath. The HSG Chinmaya West Kochi team volunteered for the discipline throughout the day and was helped for all the arrangements. Saraswathy Vandanam dance form was turned out to be the highlight of the day. It was a tribute to Goddess Saraswathi. Saraswathy Vandanam dance done by Guides. The skit performance could free the young minds from undesirable instinct and instil positive thoughts. Principal Dr. M Anilkumar was invited to let the whole campus free from all follies through the symbolic representation of balloon floating and it was a thought provoking one. Corridors of the primary building and pathway were decorated with colourful hangings. Class teachers of 1-7 greeted the energised bunch in the way they wanted them to be greeted from a set of greeting options as they selected while entering the class. (Namaste, Shake Hand, Hug/High five). Students of grade 1 were extremely overwhelmed at the gifts they received from the Vidyalaya. The pencils in which their school name was printed delighted them to the core and they were overjoyed at the act of adorning them with the PRINCE and PRINCESS sash. Selfie spot was another major attraction of the day. Students were given the opportunity to take selfies at the selfie spot, especially the new students.




EVENT NAME: GRADUATION CEREMONY (5th June)

Chinmaya Vidyalaya, West Kochi, organised its Graduation Ceremony for the batch of 2022-2023 on 5th June. The event was initiated with the academic procession in which the dignitaries, chief guest Sri V Subash Chandra Bose, Environmental Scientist, Former Director, Water Resources Dept. Govt of Kerala, and Vice President of Hindustan Scouts and Guides, Shri Rajesh V Patel, the President of the Vidyalaya, Principal Dr. M Anilkumar, Vice Principal Mrs Pinky Santhosh were ushered to the accompaniment of the school band into the venue of the function. After the customary lighting of the lamp, the programme coordinator Mrs Merly Benziger welcomed all the dignitaries, invitees, parents, faculty and graduants. Sri Rajesh V Patel delivered the presidential address. Thereafter, the Chief Guest of the day, V Subash Chandra Bose (Environmental Scientist, Former Director, Water Resources Dept, Govt of Kerala, and Vice President of Hindustan Scouts and Guides), addressed and advised the students to cultivate the skill of wisdom, nurturing it like a plant, in tranquillity and calmness, and enriching it every now and then, with real-life interactions with peers and elders. As the proud recipients of the batch of 2023 walked up the stage dressed up in caps and gowns. They were honoured with mementos. This was followed by a speech made by a student representative, Nandana, who extolled the impact and influence of the school in shaping and defining them as individuals. This momentous day drew to a close with a photo session.

EVENT NAME: ENVIRONMENT DAY CELEBRATION (5th June)







CHINMAYA VIDYALAYA
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West Kochi, Kannamaly

Seminar
"Protect Nature for a Healthy Future"

On June 5th 2023
@10 am

Resource person

Dr. V. Subhash Chandra Bose
Environmental Scientist, Former Director Water Resources
Dept Govt of Kerala & Director School of Love

Creating a healthier, responsible stewards of the earth, ensuring a greener, cleaner and more sustainable world for generations, Chinmaya Vidyalaya West Kochi observed World Environment Day with a plethora of programmes on 5th June 2023, Monday. Hindustan Scouts and Guides troop proudly guarded the chief guest of the day for the celebration. Dr V Subash Chandra Bose Environmental Scientist, Former Director Water Resources Dept. Govt of Kerala, Director School of Love & Vice President of Hindustan Scouts and Guides Kerala inaugurated the *Vriksha Pooja*. The whole school actively participated in the Vriksha pooja with all the students and teachers clad in green attires to symbolize a hope of creating a better future. *The Butterfly Garden* was launched on the same day by the chief guest V Subash Chandra Bose in the presence of Shri Rajesh Patel, President of the Vidyalaya, Dr M Anil Kumar, Principal and Vice Principal Smt Pinky Mohanlal. The main highlight was the launching of *'Nakshathra Vanam'* where Dr V Subash Chandra Bose planted a sapling of his own birth constellation and the entire teaching faculty partook in it. The planting of tree saplings for all the 27 nakshatras will help bring a greater awareness of our cultural heritage to the students as well as the visitors. It was followed by a seminar on 'Protect Nature for a Healthy Future.' Hindustan Scouts and Guides organized an outlet with eco-friendly bags and brooms, which will help, promote environmental awareness amid children in diverse ways. The entire event hinged on the slogan- "In the universe are billions of galaxies, in our galaxy are billions of planets, But there is only one Earth".

EVENT NAME: WORLD OCEAN DAY (8th June)

To inform the cadets of the impact of human actions on the ocean, World Ocean Day was celebrated in the school. Ms Soumya Pai in her speech spoke on this year's theme: 'Our Blue'. It enabled the students understand and (and feel) their connection to the ocean through their nearest blue space. She also spoke on the factors that contribute to ocean pollution. She urged the younger generation to safeguard our water resources.

EVENT NAME: AWARENESS SESSION ON DRUG ABUSE (9th June)

Hindustan Scouts and Guides Unit - Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Kalathara, West Kochi Inaugurated the event by CMCT Greater Kochin President Sri. Rajesh. V. Patel. World Drugs Day Message was Delivered by Principal Sri. Dr. M. Anilkumar (Dist. Chief. Commissioner, HSGA-Eranakulam). A session on Antidrug abuse was organized by the police personnel of Kannamaly Police Station in our Vidyalaya on 9th June, 2023. The objective was to spread the message to fight the increasing drug menace. The session was presided over by Sri. Manoj Kumar, S.I., Kannamaly

Police Station. The Civil Police Officers, Sri Biju, Sri. Abdul Mujeeb ,Sri. Leo John and Sri. Vishnu revealed the extent to which narcotic drugs have penetrated into the society. A number of real life incidents were cited to make the youngsters aware about the gravity of the situation .He pointed out the effects of various drugs on the people and the society. Drugs can change ones behaviour, affect one's family relationship and even create legal issues. He informed the students about various initiatives taken up by the armed wing of the Kerala Police. It was an interacting session and the students expressed their concerns over the issue and few suggestions were putforth.



EVENT NAME: INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY (21st June)

“Yoga adds years to your life, and life to your years.”

ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED:

- Breathing exercises performed in morning assembly.
- Cadets visited SDPY Central Kalathara, and demonstrated yoga.

International Yoga Day and World Music Day was celebrated in Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Kalathara, West Kochi on 21st June 2023 with great fervour. The entire school participated in various breathing exercises. The HSG cadets performed a few asanas followed by Surya Namaskar to improve their concentration and to strengthen the mind and the body. The Yoga Instructor Ms Haysal along with a few HSG cadets visited SDPY Central Kalathara, the neighbouring school and demonstrated various asanas to the students.





EVENT NAME: WORLD PAPER BAG DAY (12th July)



World Paper Bag Day is an annual event that is celebrated every year on July 12 to help raise awareness of the environmental benefits of using paper bags over plastic bags. This day also celebrates the invention of the first paper bag machine in 1852 by Francis Wolle. The Vidyalaya celebrated World Paper Bag Day with great pomp and splendour. The celebrations were organised for two days in the school campus. The HSG cadets celebrated World Paper Bag Day on 12/07/23. Various activities such as paper bag making, card making, colouring, badge making, hand paintings were done by the cadets, which portrayed the love towards the environment.

EVENT NAME: KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS (26th July)

The cadets and trainers celebrated Kargil Vijay Diwas to commemorate the victory of Operation Vijay on 26th July in the school assembly with great patriotic enthusiasm. The cadets were apprised of the information about how the day is celebrated to mark India's victory against Pakistan in the 1999 war. Cadets were encouraged to safeguard the honour of the nation. A minute of silence was observed to pay homage to the sons of the soil for their ultimate sacrifice in the Kargil War. The Hindustan Scouts and Guides Unit of the Vidyalaya prepared a video which was shared in the class groups. It showcased the sacrifices of these heroes which was really informative and enlightening. The programme proved to be absolute success in conveying its aim to inculcate the feelings of patriotism and acknowledging the sacrifice of the soldiers.

EVENT NAME: WORLD NATURE CONSERVATION DAY & CULMINATION OF VANMAHOTSAV (27th July)

To celebrate nature and its importance, World Nature Conservation Day and the culmination of Vanmahotsav were celebrated on the 27th of July. The day also served to commemorate the 3rd anniversary of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and to abide by the directions of CBSE, a massive tree plantation campaign called '*CBSE-one child, One plant Campaign*' was launched in the Vidyalaya on 27th July, 2023. Members of Bharat Vikas Parishad contributed saplings to the vidyalaya. The HSG Unit along with the Haritha Club members of the school, took the lead to organise the same. Ms. Prathiba V, the Principal of Chinmaya Vidyalaya Vaduthala, Ms Priya C Pillai, principal, Chinmaya Vidyalaya Tripunithura and Ms Geeta Varma, the principal of Chinmaya Vidyalaya Kottayam graced the occasion by planting the saplings in the school courtyard.

A special assembly was conducted. The cadets were informed about the significance of conserving nature, which is the source of all valuable natural resources. The Principal Dr M Anil Kumar handed over saplings to the representatives of the HSG unit and Haritha Club members on the occasion. Rovers and rangers of class XI performed a skit on the importance of the day emphasising the need to conserve flora and fauna. It was followed by the oath taking by the all students. All the Chinmayites promised to alter their habits to help in saving the natural resources. The tiny tots of Cubs and Bulbuls presented an action song, which was really mesmerising. Their green attire was perfectly fit for the occasion. Scouts and Guides decorated the Bulletin Boards on the theme "*Forests and Livelihoods - Sustaining People and Planets*". A letter writing competition was organised for the Rovers and rangers of Class XI. The topic was "*A letter of apology to Mother Nature*". The major highlight was the creation of indoor classroom gardens. All the cadets from grade I-XII brought indoor plants for their classrooms. The day promoted awareness about the

importance of sustainable practices and encouraged the young learners to adopt behaviours that reduce their impact on the environment. It also enabled them to celebrate the beauty of nature and recognize the crucial role that it plays in our lives.



EVENT NAME: WORLD SCOUT SCARF DAY (1st August)

To make the spirit of scouting visible, Scout Scarf Day was observed on 1st August. All the HSG members of the vidyalaya and former scouts were requested to wear their scout scarfs in public. This accentuated the slogan was 'Once a Scout - Always a Scout'. HSG unit of Chinmaya Vidyalaya honoured the ex Guide Ms.Vidya on Scout Scarf Day.



EVENT NAME: BASIC LIFE SUPPORT TRAINING (4th August)

As part of Bone and Joint Day observation, a session was organised on the topic Basic Life Support for the HSG Cadets in the school seminar hall. The faculty was Dr. Sree Ganesh K, an experienced trauma and joint replacement surgeon at Fatima Hospital. He is also the parent of Harigovind S(Grade VI) and Harinita S (Grade II).

He explained that the knowledge of BLS and practice of simple CPR techniques increase the chances of survival of the patient until experienced medical help arrives and, in most cases, is sufficient for survival in itself. The session also included demonstrations and video clippings. The important points/steps of BLS were clearly explained- how to begin CPR, use of barrier device, if available, rescue breath etc.



EVENT NAME: HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI DAY (9th August)

To make the cadets realize the destruction caused by war and the consequences of the use of nuclear weapons, Our Vidyalaya observed Hiroshima and Nagasaki day on 6th and 9th of August respectively. Cadets were encouraged to peace swans by the students in memory of Japanese girl Sadako, a 12-year-old victim of the disaster. A short speech was given in the school assembly by the program coordinator Ms Gigi about the relevance of observing the day and how important it is to maintain peace and harmony. Cadets also took an oath to promote peace and harmony in this prevailing world of tension and nuclear warfare. The event served to remember and pay homage to the thousands of innocent victims who lost their lives in the bombing of Japan cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki by the Americans. The Scouts and Guides of the school also took part in the Cycle Rally. The rally started from the school

ground and went through the streets of Palluruthy for a total of 5 km before terminating at the same place.



EVENT NAME: INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION (15th August)-

In connection with 77th Independence Day celebration, Chinmaya Vidyalaya Unit conducted a number of activities. The celebration commenced on 14th August with the inter house cross country race with the theme- ***'Nation First, Always First'***, badge making activity, card making activity and bulletin board activity by cadets. On 15th August, the flag was hoisted by the Principal, Dr.M Anilkumar. Patriotic songs and dance were also part of the event. The Independence day message was delivered by Ms.Soumya, the co-ordinator of the programme. All the Bunnies,Cubs and Bulbuls along with the trainers cleaned School campus with great enthusiasm.

Chinmaya Vidyalaya is delighted to announce the hosting of a three-day camp (Praveshika Camp) for the new unit of scouts and guides (Praveshika Camp). A special training shall be given for the existing HSG cadets to help them achieve Komal Pad & Dhruv Pad .



EVENT NAME: PREVESHIKA CAMP & BASIC & ADVANCE TEACHERS TRAINING CAMP (18th to 20th August)

CVK hosted the Preveshika Camp & Basic and Advance Teachers Training Camp in the Vidyalaya premises from 18th to 20th August 2023. It was organised by Hindustan Scouts & Guides. The camp was declared open by the Vice President of HSGA, KERALA, Adv. Anand by hoisting the flag. 108 Scouts and Guides (CVK-61, Amala Public School-25, Guardian Angels Public School-22) and 41 teacher trainers took part in it. Sri K S Chauhan, the National Organising Commissioner of HSGA in India was the chief trainer of the camp. State organising commissioner Mr. Muhammed Sahal, HSG KERALA and Mr. K Shivkumar Jaggu, State Training Commissioner of HSG Kerala also assisted him. Dr. M Anil Kumar, the Principal of the vidyalaya was the Camp Director and he was present throughout the camp. The camp included many life saving training skills and activities, Training for basic survival without any amenities, first aid, patriotism, march past, wide game, knotting, lashing, compass and test card work. The camp schedule included 14 sessions and a number of tests. Camp fire was also arranged. Fifty five students were selected for the next level of scouts and guides, 7 students for Komal Pad and 19 students for Dhruv pad. Various recognitions were attributed to the campers. Three were selected as 'Active Scouts and Guides' in the camp. Recognitions for best performance, best participation, wide game winners, best troupe leaders, best patrol leaders and best assistant leaders from scouts and guides were also given. Three highest scorers were also acknowledged. The students of LKG to Grade II were enrolled in the Bunny, Cubs and Bulbul Categories. This has raised the Vidyalaya as the second highest enrolment in Bunny, Cubs, and Bulbul categories at the All India level in HSGA.





EVENT NAME: ONAM CELEBRATION (25th August)-

The main highlight of the programme was the Onam kit distribution. On Thursday, HSG Cadets and trainers distributed Onam kits to more than 120 families of the nearby ward and to the coastal areas of Kannamaly. Onapudava and onam kit was distributed among supporting staff by the dignitaries on the day of onam celebration



EVENT NAME: SREEKRISHNA JAYANTI (7th September)

The birthday of Lord Krishna, *Janmashtami* was celebrated with great zeal and pomp at Chinmaya Vidyalaya, West Kochi on 7th September 2023. As part of the celebration a special assembly was conducted in the Vidyalaya. A speech by Ms. Pooja Anuji on the topic 'Aim of Sri Krishna Avatar' left a positive imprint in the minds of the students.

The celebration bloomed with a graceful welcome dance by cadets of grade V followed by a special address on the 'Character formation based on 'Navavidha Bhakthi' by Swami Sudheer Chaithanya. He emphasized the need to instil great values. *Krishnageeth* a devotional song by cadets of XI standard along with the procession of the tiny tots of Bunnies who came traditionally dressed as Krishna and Radha mesmerized the audience. The major highlight was an Inter-house *URIYADI*

Competition in which all the four houses Godawari, Saraswathi, Ganga and Yamuna participated with great zeal.

EVENT NAME: RAIN DAY CELEBRATION (16th September)-

To provide the Bunnies a chance to step out in the rain and to drop everything and play in the rain, Chinmaya Kindergarten, West Kochi celebrated Rain day on 16th September 2023 with great enjoyment. All the children were taken outside with their umbrellas and encouraged to dance in the rain. All the little ones enjoyed to the maximum and got a perfect opportunity to relax and take a break from the usual routine. The Rain day celebration enabled to spread instant joy and calmness in the school atmosphere. It brought a smile on everyone's face. A video of the same was taken and forwarded in the class group



EVENT NAME: ESPERANZA-INTER SCHOOL LITERARY & CULTURAL FEST (21st September)

Chinmaya Vidyalaya, West Kochi opened the doors of Esperanza 23; the epochal inter-school literary and cultural fiesta on 21st September 2023. The vibrant programme was conducted in the school premises with 15 prestigious schools and above 450 participants partaking in the avant-garde events. Under the powerful support and guidance of our principal, Dr. M Anil Kumar CVK, ignited the sparkling talents. The participant schools were welcomed with the traditional 'Chenda Melam'. The school courtyard was festooned with 'Kuruthola'. The whole campus was decorated in hues of blue by Rovers and Rangers. The school representatives were honoured with Sachet and flowers. The school choir led the assemblage to prayer. The cadets of class XI of the Vidyalaya stole the hearts of the audience with the

stellar welcome dance. Scouts and Guides, Rovers and Rangers are actively done the volunteering. The inauguration was done by the President of the Vidyalaya Shri Rajesh Patel. The Principal of the Vidyalaya Dr M Anil Kumar delivered the keynote address. Ms Pinky Santhosh, the Vice Principal, administered the oath to the participants.

**EVENT NAME: BHAGAT SINGH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION (28th September)**

The 116th birth anniversary of Shaheed Bhagat Singh was celebrated with great devotion and patriotic fervour at Chinmaya Vidyalaya Unit , West Kochi. A heartfelt tribute was paid to the son of soil who sacrificed his life at a very tender age. On this occasion, Ms Aswathy, the Social Science teacher delivered a speech on Bhagat Singh's life and appealed the cadets to follow his footsteps and be ideal and patriotic citizens of the country. His dedication towards the country was praised and appreciated by the cadets too. A documentary based on the life of Shaheed Bhagat Singh, various incidents related to his freedom struggle, especially the bomb blast in Assembly, his prison days and execution was showed to the cadets.

EVENT NAME: WORLD HEART DAY OBSERVATION (29th September)

World Heart Day, annual observance and celebration that is intended to increase public awareness of cardiovascular diseases, including their prevention and their global impact was observed in the Vidyalaya on 29th September. A video highlighting the theme for this year's World Heart Day is "Use Heart, Know Heart" (USE ♥ □ KNOW ♥ □) was forwarded in all the class groups. The video also stressed the risks of overeating, unhealthy diets, lack of exercises, bad life style, etc. causing heart ailments. It also pointed out how heart problems can be prevented and controlled for whole life by following a healthy life style.

EVENT NAME: NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH OBSERVATION (30th September)

As part of observing National Nutrition Month, our Bunnies organised a talk on 'Health and Nutrition' at Chinmaya West Kochi and Vadakkemadom campus. The resource person was Ms Shabeena Sudheer (Dietitian). The speaker suggested some useful tips which moms can use to make sure their kids get proper nutrition. She also advised the mothers to choose healthy snacks, such as fresh fruit, nuts, fresh vegetables, cottage cheese and whole grain crackers. A talk on the topic nutrition was rendered by Izaan Thoufee of UKG B. The mothers of KG were given an

excellent opportunity to display a nutritious food item along with its recipe and details of nutritional value.

EVENT NAME: GANDHI JAYANTHI CELEBRATION (2nd October)

"SWACHHAATA HI SEVA- Cleaning Drive"

Gandhi Jayanti is the birth anniversary of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, also known as the "Father of the Nation", who was a pioneer of non-violence and truth. It is celebrated all over India to remember his birth, life and sacrifices. The occasion of Gandhi Jayanthi always remains incomplete without the idea of cleaning. To celebrate his birthday, Chinmaya Vidyalaya conducted various activities. "Sanitation is more important than Independence"- Mahatma Gandhi. To preserve and spread his great thoughts about cleanliness, Our Vidyalaya HSGA unit conducted various cleaning activities which turned out to be an inspiring one for our future citizens.

SERVICE TO THE SOCIETY IS THE SERVICE TO THE SUPREME SELF - "Cleaning Drive" at Chirackal Park.

The members of HSGA, Chinmaya unit gathered at the venue, Chirakkal Park, Kochi (a public park near the Vidyalaya) to be cleaned by 7.45am on 2nd October 2023. The cleaning started by 8.05am after the heavy rain reduced.

It was a proud moment for us to see our volunteers working hard in spite of the rain. The atmosphere was filled with the fragrance of enthusiasm and civic responsibility. Cadets of Scouts & Guides, Cubs & Bulbuls and the Rover & Ranger wings of the Vidyalaya joined hands and made the event a noble one.

The cadets could yield great values of Patriotism, Service to the society, Selflessness, Sharing and caring, leadership and compassion.

The cleaning concluded by the distribution of refreshment.

SMALL DROPS MAKE AN OCEAN - Cleaning activity by Bunnies wing at Vidyalaya premises:

The tiny tots of our bunny wing were all set with smiles and excitement for the cleaning activity. The session started with a cheer up activity for the children. The children were explained the importance of cleaning by the trainers and motivated them to follow the same at their house too.

The children actively participated and cleaned their classrooms and kindergarten assembly area and play area with the help of their teachers and trainers. It was a very inspiring experience to watch tiny children doing the activity.

Cleaning the premises was not just a physical activity, it also served to be a platform for our inner cleaning to bring about positivity and trash out negative thoughts.





EVENT NAME: WORLD POST DAY (9th October)

In connection with World Post Day, Chinmaya Vidyalaya Units, forwarded a video which presented a glimpse of the roles of the postal sector in everyday lives and the unique facts in field of post. An inspiring speech which aimed to increase awareness of the positive effects the postal sector has had on the economic and social progress across the world was also delivered to the cadets.

EVENT NAME: WORLD FOOD DAY (17th October)

World Food Day was celebrated every year on 17th October 2023. It aimed to highlight the critical role of water for life on earth and water as the foundation of our food. Various activities were organized as part of the celebration. The

programme co-ordinator delivered a message on the topic 'Importance of World Food Day' during the morning assembly. Bunnies, Cubs and Bulbuls brought healthy food items and they had the food in the presence of their teachers and friends. The Rovers and Rangers were engaged in salad making. They brought all the necessary items and prepared healthy salads under the guidance of trainers. A video on the importance of food was also forwarded in the class groups. The celebration reminded the Chinmayites about the importance of food security and the need to end hunger around the world.



EVENT NAME: WORLD STUDENTS' DAY (17th October)

As part of World Students' Day, Chinmaya Vidyalaya Units conducted special programs in the school. The focus of the day was to inspire cadets to live a meaningful and fruitful life. It is also meant to provide them a good direction in life, so that they can contribute maximum to Nation's development. The programme commenced with a speech by the Program coordinator. The speech highlighted the importance of student life. It was told that school life is the deciding phase of a human life. It is the phase where the life's direction of any person gets decided. Examples from Dr APJ Abdul Kalam's life and his teachings were also shared. The video of the last speech of APJ Abdul Kalam was shown to all the cadets.

EVENT NAME: RASHTRIYA EKTA DIWAS (31st October)

The 148th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, was celebrated as 'Rashtriya Ekta Diwas' (National Unity Day), in the school campus as a mark of tribute to the efforts of the country's First Home Minister to unite India. A floral tribute was paid to the Iron Man of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. The idea was to infuse in the young future generation with values integrated with the knowledge and adoration

about the country's rich heritage. A throng of activities were organized to support the cause of promoting unity and celebrating "National Unity Day" in the school premises. A special morning assembly was organized by Scouts and Guides. The programme started with the impressive speech made by Arjun Prashanth, the Troop leader. He spoke on the life, history and the role of Sardar Patel in the freedom struggle to establish a harmonious society. The school choir presented a patriotic song on National Unity. The Bulletin boards were decorated with the theme of the day. Cadets and the Trainers pledged to uphold unity and security of the nation. The event was fun filled, motivating for the cadets as it was a different experience for the students as well as the teachers.

EVENT NAME: NATIONAL INTEGRATION DAY (20th November) -

National Integration Day was celebrated on 20th November. It was flagged off by the Principal. The function commenced with the offering of floral tributes to the Iron Lady of the country- Indira Gandhi. It's a well-known fact that the day commemorates the birth anniversary of India's first woman Prime Minister, Indira Priya Darshini. The intent behind the entire event is to promote peace and harmony and reinforce the diversity of India, ultimately instilling a sense of oneness among its citizens. A special assembly, featuring speeches, cultural performances, and presentations highlighting the significance of National Integration Day was conducted. Students from different grades participated in various activities that showcased the rich cultural diversity of our country. Students of classes VII & VIII conveyed the meaningful and deep message of communal harmony through action song '*Vandemataram*' in the assembly. The little ones of classes I and II dressed up as Rani Lakshmi Bai and Mahatma Gandhi and delivered their famous quotes. An oath was also administered to spread unity and integration among all.

EVENT NAME: NAVAL BASE VISIT (21st November)

Hindustan Scouts & Guides Unit of Chinmaya Vidyalaya, West Kochi, Kannamaly visited Naval Base, Kochi on 21st November, 2023 in connection with the Navy week celebration. 42 students of Hindustan Scouts & Guides unit accompanied the Principal, Dr M Anil Kumar, Assistant State Training Commissioner, Ms. Soumya KS & the HSG Trainer, Ms. Revathy.

The students got the opportunity to visit the war ship, INS Theer. They were also given detailed explanation about the engines & working of helicopters. There was also a wonderful display of guns, bullets, prototypes of helicopters. Helicopters used for search and rescue operations, wars & torpedoes were also exhibited.



EVENT NAME: FOUNDATION DAY (26th November)

On the occasion of Founders Day, the Hindustan Scouts and Guides Unit of the Vidyalaya commemorated the birthday of Captain Lord Stephenson Smith Baden Powell, the esteemed Founder of Scouting, and Lady Olave Clare Soans Baden Powell, the revered World Chief Guide. The event was marked by a series of thoughtful activities aimed at honoring their legacy and instilling values of environmental consciousness among the cadets. A special assembly was convened to elucidate the significance of the day, where cadets were acquainted with the rich history and noble principles of Scouts and Guides. Through informative sessions, they gained insights into the profound contributions of Captain Baden Powell and Lady Olave Baden Powell to the global scouting movement. In a symbolic gesture of gratitude and reverence, a prayer ceremony accompanied by candle lighting was conducted, fostering a sense of unity and appreciation among the participants.



EVENT NAME: DIGITAL FEST 2023-24 (2nd December)-

As part of world computer literacy day celebration, a digital fest was conducted in the Vidyalaya, on 2nd December 2023. The programme was inaugurated by the MLA Mr. K J Maxy. The chief guest, in his inaugural speech, extended his warm congratulations for such an endeavour.. The President of the Vidyalaya Mr. Rajesh. V. Patel, delivered a powerful message about emphasizing the transformative power of technology. The secretary Mr. Madhusudan. S. Gupta also congratulated the young talented participants of digital fest. The Principal Dr. M Anilkumar and Vice-principal Ms. Pinky Santhosh were also present. 31 students participated in the digital fest. They displayed their talents in different fields like gaming, website design, power point presentation, animation, and robotics. Participants and attendees provided overwhelmingly positive feedback, emphasizing the fest's impact on their understanding of technology and its applications. The fest not only highlighted the talent within our school but also inspired students to embrace the ever-evolving digital landscape.

Daiwik Darsh of (Grade IX), C Mouthika Sri (Grade VII) and Aditi Anand Kamath (Grade VII) got selected to participate in the 2nd International Digital Fest 2023-24 (Students Tech Expo) organized by Cyber Square at Eminence Pvt School, United Arab Emirates.



EVENT NAME: WORLD AIDS DAY OBSERVATION (4th December)- To make the younger generation about the need to support people living with and affected by HIV and to remember those who lost their lives to AIDS, the vidyalaya observed 'World Aids day'. The programme coordinator Ms Vidya delivered an enlightening speech that stressed the importance of self-discipline. The main highlight was an awareness session by Dr Harimohan Consultant, Palliative Medicine, Indira Gandhi Cooperative Hospital Ernakulam. He covered the reason for the spreading of HIV and preventive measures to protect from this. Every student and teacher was given red ribbons and took a pledge that aimed at creating awareness and to induce the spirit among youth to help and support people living with HIV/AIDS

EVENT NAME: JUNIOR ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET (12th January)- The Junior Annual Athletic Meet was conducted on 12th January for the students of KG to grade II. It was a fun day focusing on promoting physical activity and healthy competition. Children and parents enthusiastically took part in sports activities. The event began with a march past by the HSG unit of the Vidyalaya.

EVENT NAME: NETAJI SUBASH CHANDRA BOSE JAYANTI (23rd January)-

To pay homage to the great freedom fighter of India, Netaji Subash Chandra Bose, our Vidyalaya celebrated the Birth Anniversay in a befitting manner. A special assembly was organised. His life story and his services to the nation was highlighted in a speech. It also mentioned the need for following his ideals and teachings. A patriotic song by the school choir captured the heart of the audience. A presentation based on his life and teachings was forwarded in the class groups. The HSG students of the school initiated the whole programme.

EVENT NAME: NATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY (24th January)-

The Bunnies of CVK celebrated the National Girl Child Day with great enthusiasm. The young Guides proved that creativity and talent do not have boundaries. The entire premises was decorated with lights and artworks. To mark the occasion, a special assembly was conducted. The assembly started with a solemn prayer to the almighty and a beautiful thought, that filled the Bunnies hearts and minds with love and harmony.



EVENT NAME: REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION (26th January)

Our school celebrated India's 75th Republic Day with great eclat. The students took pride in glorifying and celebrating the spirit of unity. The programme began at 8.30am. The chief guest of the day was Smt. P.A. Margaret, ward member of Chellanam panchayath. Sri. Chnadrababu, SMC member was also present for the function. The chief guest hoisted the National flag, the students saluted the National flag and pledged to up hold the honour and integrity. The choir group presented the patriotic flag song. The National Anthem was played by the band team. The HSG team of the vidyalaya organised the march past. The Bunnies, Cubs and Bulbuls,

Scouts and Guides & Rovers all were part of the celebration. They performed the Republic day parade and also gave the ceremonial guard. The school Prefect & Rover, Master Asweth welcomed the gathering. The chief guest addressed the students and urged them to do their best and feel proud to be Indian. The students brought the stage alive with their passion and love of the motherland through their patriotic songs. Republic day message was delivered by Ms. Henla Mary Fernandez. The Principal of the vidyalaya announced the release of a new project that entirely focuses on community service and charity. The best bit of the day was the release of hand written manuscript of *Bhagavad Gita*, which was prepared by the students. The school courtyard reverberated with patriotic favor and enthusiasm. The celebration came to an end by singing the National anthem. The formal function was followed by cleaning drive by the HSGA, CV Unit.





EVENT NAME: MARTYR'S DAY/SHAHEED DIWAS (30th January)-

The HSG Unit of the Vidyalaya took the lead to observe Martyr's Day. The programme began with the all faith prayer to pay homage to the victims who fought for the freedom, welfare and progress of the India and sacrificed their lives. In every art performed, the true essence of peace and harmony was highlighted. There was no particular theme for the Martyr's Day 2024. The day enabled the Chinmayites to reflect on the unwavering commitment of our national heroes who sacrificed their lives for the freedom and progress of India. The climax was indeed a treat to be watched where the students danced as doves, which is the symbol of peace. We did pledge to ourselves to be an instrument of peace wherever we meet.





EVENT NAME: ANTI-DRUG AWARENESS CAMPAIGN (12th February)-

The cadets' of Chinmaya West Kochi , along with the organisation '*Pagal*', Pallruthy, participated in a campaign against drugs. As per the instructions from the Principal M Anil Kumar, the Chinmayites gathered at the intersection of Forty feet road embarking on a painting endeavor against the Drug menace. The activity commenced at eight in the morning and continued until noon, covering approximately fifteen meters in length and two meters in width of the wall. Ward Councilor C.R. Sudheer inaugurated the event. Renowned artist R.K. Chandrababu welcomed the gathering, while Ms Preeji V Raj, the faculty member, felicitated gathering. The trainers of the Chinmaya Vidyalaya led the proceedings of the artistic endeavor, guiding the students throughout the session.

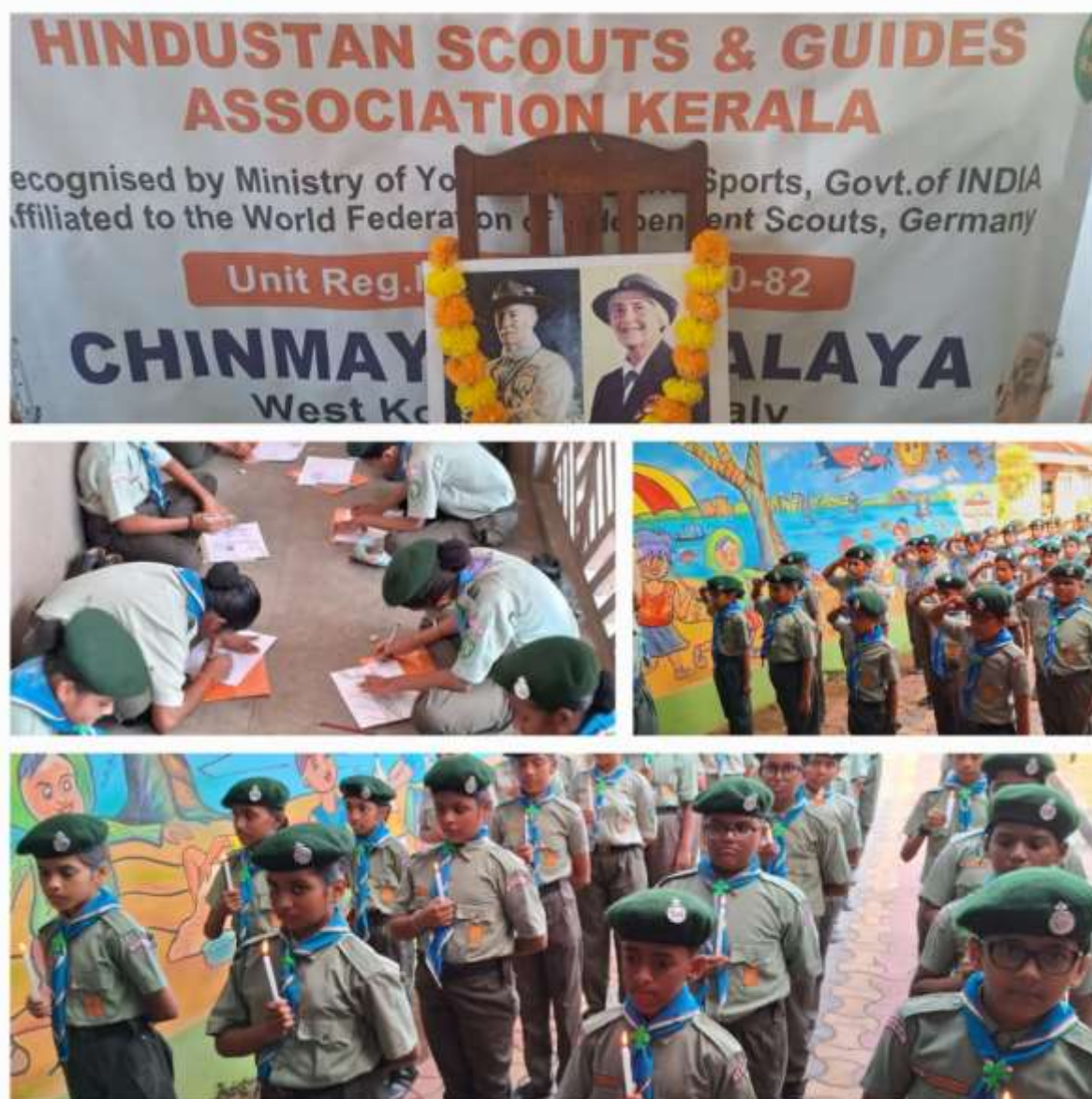
The initiative reflected a commendable collaboration between educational institutions and local authorities to instigate community engagement and promote social awareness regarding increasing drug crisis. The cadets' active involvement underscored their commitment to making a positive impact and fostering a culture of resilience within their community.



EVENT NAME: THINKING DAY (22nd February)-

On the occasion of Thinking Day, the Hindustan Scouts and Guides Unit of the Vidyalaya commemorated the birthday of Captain Lord Stephenson Smith Baden Powell, the esteemed Founder of Scouting, and Lady Olave Clare Soans Baden Powell, the revered World Chief Guide. The event was marked by a series of thoughtful activities aimed at honoring their legacy and instilling values of environmental consciousness among the cadets. A special assembly was convened to elucidate the significance of the day, where cadets were acquainted with the rich history and noble principles of Scouts and Guides. Through informative sessions, they gained insights into the profound contributions of Captain Baden Powell and Lady Olave Baden Powell to the global scouting movement. In a symbolic gesture of gratitude and reverence, a prayer ceremony accompanied by candle lighting was conducted, fostering a sense of unity and appreciation among the participants. The solemn ritual served as a reminder of the enduring spirit of service and camaraderie upheld by the scouting community worldwide. Furthermore, to foster environmental awareness and sensitivity, a pencil shading activity was organized. This creative endeavour not only encouraged artistic expression but also underscored the importance of preserving our natural surroundings for future generations. As a tangible manifestation of their commitment to conservation, saplings were ceremoniously planted across the Vidyalaya premises. This gesture not only symbolized renewal and growth but also underscored the imperative of

collective action in safeguarding the delicate balance of nature.



EVENT NAME: PROVIDING BIRD BATH

A DROP OF WATER, A THOUSAND LIVES

Chinmaya Vidyalaya, West Kochi, Kannamaly Hindustan Scouts and Guides Unit welcomes the Summer Season by providing Bird Baths for their fellow creatures!

In summer birds need water not only for drinking but also for bathing and help them keep cool. It also attracts different species of birds. Principal Dr. M. Anil Kumar inaugurated the event. Vice Principal Ms Pinky Santhosh addressed the gathering. Academic coordinators Ms. Susmitha & Ms. Rekha, Guide Captain K. S.

Soumya, Assistant Company Leader Christina Heniz and all the patrol Leaders were present.



EVENT NAME: SUMMER CAMP 2024 (23rd to 27th March)-

The summer camp for classes KG -II which commenced on March 22nd with various engaging activities aimed at providing a safe and supportive environment for learning and growth. Dr. Chandrababu led a session on clay modeling and art, while Ms. Deepasreeni conducted art & craft activities. Ms. Rajeshwari Kotecha organized nature study, aerobics, and public speaking with Balvihar sessions, while Ms. Sindhu N. Unni led yoga sessions. Additionally, Ms. Devi and Ms. Sreelakshmi Jayaraj facilitated music and dance sessions. The camp, spanning from March 22nd to March 27th, featured a range of activities including drawing, storytelling, Kalari, collage making, and more. The children also enjoyed crafts, puppet making, and dancing on the culmination day, with teachers actively participating in the fun. Ms. Jayalakshmi, the KG Mentor, coordinated the camp, ensuring arrangements for resource persons and overseeing the activities. Participation certificates and takeaways of all activities were provided to the participants as the camp concluded, with the support of kindergarten staff, including non-teaching personnel. Gurupad cadets very happily and enthusiastically volunteering done.



EVENT NAME: PRAVESH & PRAVESHIKA CAMP (23rd & 24th March)-

The HSGA unit of the Vidyalaya hosted the inaugural ceremony of the "Pravesh" camp for new Rovers & Rangers from Vidyalaya, and the "Praveshika" workshop for recently enrolled scouts and guides from Bhavans Adarsha Vidyalaya & Bhavans Girinagar, on the morning of the 23rd. The event commenced with formalities to welcome the trainers from HSGA. Sessions throughout the day were conducted by trainers Shri. Praveen, Smt. Julie, Smt. Ramyatha, and Shri. Sivakumar Jaggu, covering topics such as "Introduction to HSGA," "History of Scouting," "Promise, Laws and Signs of HSGA," "Motto and Salute," "Flag and Flag song," and "Prayer." The cadets also engaged in various life skill activities including knotting, followed by friendly competition during examination sessions,

demonstrating exemplary sportsmanship. The day concluded with a campfire where the talents of our children were showcased.

The second day began with a BP 6 exercise session, followed by breakfast and patrol room inspections. Cadets were then trained in setting up flag posts, lashing, and tenting. An investiture ceremony was held for five new cadets from our Vidyalaya and 86 cadets from Bhavans Girinagar and Bhavans Adarsha Vidyalaya. The culminating program commenced at 3.00 pm with the welcoming of dignitaries including State Commissioner Shri. Sahal, Vidyalaya Principal, and District Commissioner Dr. M. Anil Kumar, alongside other trainers from HSGA. Outstanding cadets were recognized and honored by Camp Chief Trainer Shri. Praveen and other dignitaries. Certificates were awarded to the cadets, and the cooperation of HSG trainers was acknowledged and appreciated with a token of gratitude.

