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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

"Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish you feed him for a lifetime"

The Oxford School Trivandrum has been toiling to make the students better thinkers rather than rote-learners in order for them to be able to face the challenges in their future. The school is taking every effort to make the student independent learners by involving them in their learning to enable them to think and find solutions to problems. Children are engaged in multiple activities to upskill themselves to become competent learners.

I am happy that our children can do things differently as time has demanded and this newsletter bears witness to the various ways our students have adopted to showcase their talents and skills. Exploring the ways and means to learn new things and practise them in their day to day activities has enabled them to be creative and innovative. In addition to excelling in the academic activities, students have shown tremendous progress and involvement in the co-scholastic activities conducted so far.

We take this opportunity to appreciate the efforts of all students, teachers and parents in our journey towards greater heights.

May God bless you all.

With warm regards,

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Principal

Dr. Abdul Salam









FROM EDITOR'S DESK

The newsletter at your fingertips is certainly a different reading experience than the one you're used to. I hope that reading this e-newsletter will have an impact on your and encourage you to have an impact on others. We may never know how much our words or actions influence the lives of those around us. But we can choose ourselves daily to be a positive influence on others in a way that could change the rest of their lives even if it's just within the walls of where you work. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the contributors of the newsletter for their constant support in making this enewsletter a success.

Sincerely,

Nandakishore G TGT English









The Investiture Ceremony of the Student parliament for the academic year 2022-'23 of The Oxford School Trivandrum was held on 6th August 2022 Saturday. A School Student parliament was formed after democratic election conducted on 27th july 2022 in order to inculcate the leadership qualities in the students and to give them a feel of functioning of an administrative body. The chief guest for the event was Colonel RG. Nair, Rtd. Indian Army Officer. He appreciated the efforts taken by the school for providing opportunities to the students to take part in activities like these. He also congratulated the newly appointed School Student Council for their preparedness to take responsibilities. He asked them to use these opportunities and balance them well with academics to excel in both.

The event was presided over by Dr. Abdul Salam, Principal of The Oxford School. Principal Dr. Abdul Salam along with the chief guest presented the badges to the newly elected leaders. Devanjana Sakyanga Mahadev of 12D(President), Azmeel Sajeer of 12C(Prime Minister), Irfan Ahmed of IX-B(Vice President), Aliya Fathima of XB(Deputy Prime Minister), ZulphanSha of 12C(Home Minister), Yuvanidura of VIII-B(Education Minister), Adila Shaireen of 12 AB(Fine Arts Minister), Muhammed Ihsan of 12C(Sports Minister) received the badges and they were given the Sachet Ribbon also. Overall 49 representatives were also installed in the parliament. Former head girl Afshan delivered the welcome speech and the president Devanjana sounded off the vote of thanks.











The Oxford School ,Trivandrum sensitized the children on "Onam 2022" on 2nd September 2022 in the school premises. The meeting started with a prayer by Risla Zaki of grade XB. Welcome Address was done by the head boy, Azmeel Sajeer of 12C.

Vice Principal Ms. Manju Pillai addressed the gathering and conveyed the message and wishes of the festival. The main attractions of the programme were the persona of "Vamana" and "Mahabali, Thiruvathira, Pulikkali, Onappattu etc. After the programme housewise athapookalam competition was conducted.

All the four houses participated in various competitions held as part of the sensitization programme. Ruby house secured the first position.

Games like tug of war, lemon and spoon and uriyadi were also conducted on the school ground which aroused the competitive spirit of children. The celebration came to an end with the distribution of delicious payasam to all the staff and students.

















Sarga Sangamam 2022, the Art Fest of The Oxford School Trivandrum was held in the month of September. 200 students participated in about 70 events from 4 categories.

The programme started at 8:00 a.m. in four stages. The Auditorium was the main stage where all the dance events took place.

Judges for each competition were arranged from the respective areas. Results were updated immediately after each competition. There was healthy competition among the four houses. By4 o'clock, the valedictory function had started. The renowned actress, Ms. Aishwarya Ramsai, was the chief guest at the function. Mrs. Sheela Menon, manager of the Ambalathara bank, delivered the event's felicitation. The prizes for the winners of the literary fest and the art fest were distributed by the guests. The trophies were sponsored by the Indian Bank. Emerald House became the overall champion in the literary fest and Topaz House in the art fest.



Members of the core committee, programme convenors, section heads, category in charge, house patrons, committee in charge, stage in charge, and student volunteers all contributed to the success of the art fest.





THE 'UNITY RUN' ON RASHTRIYA EKTA DIWAS TY (NATIONAL UNITY DAY)

The Oxford School Trivandrum organized a 'Unity Run' event by the Health & Wellness club and PE department on 31st of October 2022 to commemorate the birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel, popularly known as the Iron Man of India.

The event was held at the school ground and students were organized there, along with Unity Day Posters to spread the message of preserving unity, integrity and security of the nation. More than 25 students attended from various classes. The Vice Principal addressed the students and spoke about the role of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Pattel in national integration. Students took the Unity day pledge with the vice principal and teachers as well as they actively participated in the unity run around the school ground.

The event was successful. Photos and videos of the event were taken to keep the day memorable.

Rashtriya Ekta Divas or National Unity Day which is an ode to Sardar Patel's unwavering commitment towards national integration was a Memorable experience at The Oxford School Trivandrum for the students and teachers alike.









August 15th 2022, The Oxford School, Trivandrum's own organization conducted an online collaborative programme, known as SDGsOxford Season 2 to once again leave a mark that may help our planet to restore into perfect balance. The goals selected for season 2 were Goal no 5 for the students of grade 4-7 and Goal no 7 for the students of grade 7-10.64 schools participated in SDGs Oxford Season 2.

The first week of the SDGs Oxford 2 began when the schools were given weekly action plans where they could see the objectives for that week. The first week consisted of letting the students watch the main Ambassador video, which gave them a little more coherence as to what all the week set out to do. It was also during this first week that they had received their first activity which was to record a video of our students introducing themselves on a website known as flipgrid. Then rolled around the second week of the SDGs Oxford which familiarized their students with the goals they were tasked with finding solutions to as well as checking up on previous week's activities and like this a routine had been created and had also been implemented for the next 2 weeks as well. In fact, it was during this week that we decided make a 'Community Padlet' for students to share their works. Many submissions came



rushing through in just a few hours. It varied from drawings, to essays, to stories, to poems, and even Minecraft builds were shown too. Week 3 and Week 4 continued to work on attaining clarity of their goals and staying motivated to work on it all the while coming up with queries and small solutions on the side. We also gave students some more time to add more





things to the community padlet, and made students map out a class plan, where they could step back, take a look at where they were, and understand what measures they had to take to reach the end goal. Week 4, was just a quick recap on everything that had happened and talked about environmental stewardship. We gave students from all schools a month to focus on their works and solutions, because as a Grand Finale, which was occurred as 2 episodes 1st episode was on November 19th and 20th and the second episode was on December 3rd and 4th, there was a competition among all the 64 participating schools in SDGsOxford to see who came up with the best solutions as a fun way to end it all of. We had 9 very experienced judges to judge the solutions and works and ideas of all the schools. The things each school got to bring about were all infinitely varied, yet all of us successfully achieved the same end goal. Here you could see a few of the things that all of them have done right below.

SEASON 2 RESULTS

Goal No 5

- 1 Vikhe Patil Memorial School
- 2 The Oxford School, Trivandrum
- 3 Mahatma Global Gateway-Cambridge Assessment International Education

Goal No 7

- 1 The Oxford School, Trivandrum
- 2 Vikhe Patil Memorial School
- 3 SNBP Techno School





SUSTAINABILITY FOR ABETTIER FUTURE

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted by the United Nations members starting in 2015, provides a shared Blueprint for peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future. In the exhibition the budding scientists of the school demonstrated the advancements in the field of science & technology



emphasizing "Sustainability for a better future". It's the first time the school is conducting their exhibition on 'SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS. In this exhibition more than 600 exhibits were displayed by 500 students showing their scientific knacks and interests to solve the concerns of the present day world.

Mr.Sheeju Chandran,

Group Head, Technology
Development & Management Group, VSSC inaugurated
the exhibition. In this exhibition, the students of the
school were divided into 5 groups from KG section to
XII. Students presented models & exhibits on
different subjects like Science, Maths, Computer,
PE, Home Science, Social Studies, Hindi, English,
Malayalam and Islamic Studies promoting the 17

Sustainable Development Goals of UN. Various Govt Departments also presented their valuable contributions. Zero Hunger, No Poverty, Good health and wellbeing, Clean water and sanitation, Affordable and clean energy, Life on land were some of the important models presented by the students.



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Mukund R, Joint General Manager & Unit Chief, Medical Devices Factory

,HLL was the Chief Guest for the Valedictory Function. Dr M Abdul Salam, The Principal exhorted students and parents to make efforts to save the planet. In his speech he lauded the efforts of students and parents and also encouraged them to come development activities for the all round forward in sustainable development of the environment and also their personalities too. Fabulous skits and dances were performed by the students which received a huge round of applause from the audience.

The winners of the competition were appreciated at the valedictory function and prizes and certificates were distributed to them by the Chief Guest and Principal. The Oxford School Trivandrum organized its annual arts and science exhibition on the theme "Sustainability for a Better Future" following the UN SDGs.



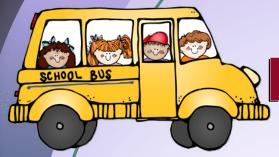












Field Trip-Grade 9-12

On 11th November 2022,45 students along with 4 teaching staff went for a field trip to Coorg, Chikmagalur and Bangalore wonderla from the school.

The purpose of the trip is usually observation for education, nonexperimental research or to provide students with experiences outside their everyday activities, such as going camping with teachers and their classmates.

The trip was organized by the tourism club under the guidance of principal Dr. Abdul salam. Our aim was to enable children to learn and understand about nature, friendship and promote empathy and compassion, observing and discussing various cultures, various places and different peoples. The Oxfordians started their trip by 5.00am with a prayer. The Oxfordians reached their first destination, Coorg, by 5 am. After freshening up, they went for sightseeing. Their second destination was Chikmagalur where they had trekking. The Oxfordians third and final destination was the Bangalore wonderla and the students had enjoyed a lot playing in different rides. The Oxfordinas reached back school on 14thNovember by 10 pm. Overall it was a beautiful field trip. It can be concluded that the trip was successful and we believe that our objective was achieved and learned something new and beneficial for the students.







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Field Trip-Grade 6-8

On 29th OCTOBER 2022, 46 students along with 3 teaching staff went for a field trip to Kochi wonderla from the school. The trip was organized by the tourism club under the guidance of principal Dr. Abdul Salam. Our aim was to enable children to learn and understand about friendship and promote empathy and compassion, observing and discussing nature, various places, and different peoples. We started our trip at 5.00am with a prayer. We arrived at Cherthala at 9am for breakfast. After having breakfast, we again started our journey to Wonderla. We reached Wonderla at 11am. The students enjoyed playing in different rides. We had our dinner at Cherthala at 8 pm. After having the dinner we started our journey back to school. We reached back school on the same day itself at 11 pm. Overall it was a beautiful field trip. It can be concluded that the trip was successful and we believe that our objective was achieved and learned something new and beneficial for the students.











Field Trip-Grade 182

ZOO AND NATURAL HISTORICAL MUSEUM

On 14th October 2022, 112 students along with 10 teaching staff and 4 supporting staff went for a field trip to the zoo and natural historical museum from school. The trip was organized by the tourism club under the guidance of principal Dr. Abdul Salam. Our aim was to enable children to learn and understand about different animals effectively, foster cognitive development and promote empathy and compassion. The Oxfordians had started their trip by 9.30 am with a prayer. The Oxfordians had reached the zoo by 10.00 am. The students were able to see many animals and birds. There were huge varieties of birds like kites, vultures, peacocks, fouls, ducks etc. The students were able to see the snake gallery too. They had seen different types of snakes like cobra, fierce snake, vipers etc. Then, The Oxfordians had their lunch by 12pm. After the break, the Oxfordians had moved to the natural historical museum.

Museums always open up a whole new world to us to explore the world we belong to and its past. They helped the Oxfordians to know more about history, science, art etc of different times. The Oxfordians reached back school by 3 pm. In conclusion, the trip was successful and we believed that our objective was achieved and students were able to learn something new and beneficial by exploring the museum.











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16th ANNUAL DAY 2022



The Oxford School celebrated its 16th Annual Day on 17th December based on the theme "Back To Normal". One thing that is certain, we know that adjusting to change can be challenging. Be it planned or unplanned, gradual or sudden, change is inevitable and very much part of being human. Over the past few months, we've experienced an unprecedented shift in our way of life due to COVID-19. Now, a trip to a weekly grocery shop seems like an adventure of its own! Before we know it, we've (reluctantly) let go of our old normal and now settling into what seems to be our new normal.

The Annual Day programme began at 5.00pm with the cultural programme of the KG section. The Inaugural ceremony started at 6.30 pm. The event was presided over by Dr. Abdul Salam, Principal of The Oxford School. Principal Dr. Abdul Salam along with the chief guest Mr. Mahesh Dharmadhikari, CBSE Regional Director, Trivandrum inaugurated The Annual Day programme.Dr.Alexander Jacob IPS was the guest of honor for the annual day programme. The keynote address was given by Dr.S. Suresh Babu, Head and Scientist SG, ATRF Branch, VSSC, ISRO. The Annual























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report was presented by Mrs Bini M,Vice principal,The Oxford School Trivandrum.School toppers and subject toppers,best house and runner ups of various sports competitions, state kalolsavam achievers,CCA winners, OXPO winners,literary, art and sports winners were awarded.Official Programmes were concluded by 8.30 pm and the cultural programmes of KG section resumed.The MS's and HS's cultural programmes continued till 1.00pm.In the end as a conclusion Mrs.Anila Nair,Hos Middle section delivered the vote of Thanks. There were altogether 29 programmes including the programmes from all the sections. The oxfordians gave the audience a massive visual treat.

