

CBSE NEWSLETTER FIRST EDITION



From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

Welcome to the 2024 academic session! This year promises to be one of excellence, with a focus on academic rigour and holistic growth. Our students' success remains the priority, and we are committed to providing opportunities that foster both intellectual and personal development.

We are excited to introduce the "Leader in Me" program, designed to empower students with leadership skills and instill a sense of responsibility and initiative. Additionally, new clubs, extracurricular and co-curricular activities will challenge students to explore their talents, while the newly established Cultural Block for fine arts, dance, and music will enrich their creative journey.

Unity, teamwork, and strength will guide us as we work together to build a thriving learning environment. Field trips, PTMs, and engaging activities will enhance learning and ensure that education is not only effective but enjoyable. Together, with dedication and collaboration, we will unleash the potential within every student.

Looking forward to a productive and rewarding year ahead!

With belief in Your strength

Ms Lalitha P

Principal



BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENT

On June 14, 2024, we organized a delightful assembly to welcome both freshers and returnees of our CBSE program. The event was a lively affair, featuring engaging presentations from our music, dance, and sports departments, providing an enjoyable spectacle for all. The CBSE principal officially welcomed the gathering, and the Head of School graced the occasion by presiding over the assembly and delivering an uplifting Freshers' Note. This memorable gathering underscored our commitment to fostering a dynamic and nurturing environment for our CBSE students as we embark on a new academic journey.

*Welcoming
Fresh Beginnings*



YOGA FOR SELF AND SOCIETY



On June 21, 2024, we celebrated the theme "Yoga for Self and Society," as our students immersed themselves in the harmony of mind, body, and spirit. Guided by Ms. Minu from the Department of Wellbeing, students across all grades practiced various asanas, demonstrating the powerful connection between self and universal wellness. From our early years to senior secondary, the enthusiasm was palpable, with everyone inhaling calmness and exhaling stress, truly reflecting Yoga's transformative impact beyond the walls.



ROCKING TOGETHER: CELEBRATING WORLD MUSIC DAY

On June 26, 2024, our talented music team compiled a vibrant video featuring students singing and tapping to "We Will Rock You." This initiative aimed to unite all students through music, fostering both musical talent and a deeper aesthetic connection across the school community.

On this special day, Manchester International School proudly inaugurated our new Cultural Block, "Rhythmic Radiance." This state-of-the-art facility includes dance studios for Western and Bharatanatyam, dedicated classrooms for Keyboard, Guitar, and Drums, and a cutting-edge Recording Studio. The inauguration ceremony was graced by our esteemed Chairman, Dr. P.S. Moorthi, and Correspondent, Mrs. Priya Moorthi. The Head of School, the Head of Administration, and student maestros from each art form had the honor of inaugurating their respective rooms. Principals of both the CBSE and IB programs, Program Coordinators, staff, and enthusiastic students were also in attendance.





INAUGURATION OF "RHYTHMIC RADIANCE": A NEW CULTURAL BLOCK AT MANCHESTER INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



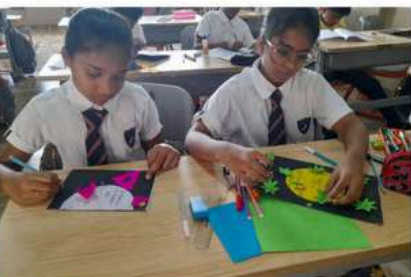
Commemorating Kamarajar: A Celebration of Education and Leadership

On July 15, 2024, we celebrated Education Development Day in honor of Kamarajar's birthday. Students delivered heartfelt speeches highlighting his contributions, followed by a captivating dance and song tribute to his passion for education. The event concluded with prize distributions, inspiring everyone with Kamarajar's legacy of dedication and service. The celebration uplifted spirits and reinforced the importance of perseverance and leadership.



Father's Day Celebration: Honoring Strength, Love, and Sacrifice

We are thrilled to share the highlights of our recent Father's Day celebration, held on June 18, 2024, themed "Celebrating Fatherhood: Strength, Love, and Sacrifice." Students across various grades engaged in meaningful activities to honor and appreciate their fathers. Our Grade 1 and Grade 2 students participated in a Show and Tell, sharing special stories and memories about their fathers using personal photographs. Grade 3 to Grade 5 students expressed their admiration through a Just A Minute (JAM) session, delivering heartfelt speeches about their fathers. Grade 6 to Grade 8 students channeled their creativity by making personalized Greeting Cards for their fathers. We thank all the students for their enthusiastic participation, making this event a truly memorable celebration of fatherhood!



NATIONAL POSTAL WORKERS DAY



To celebrate National Postal Workers Day on July 1, 2024, a letter-writing competition was organized for Grades 3-8. Students participated enthusiastically, crafting heartfelt letters on the themes "Letter to Self" and "Thank You, Postal Workers" using inland letters and postcards. Their creative expressions emphasized the importance of self-reflection and gratitude towards postal workers. The event not only honed their writing skills but also deepened their appreciation for the postal service. Overall, it was a meaningful and engaging way to observe the day.

KRISHNA JAYANTI FESTIVITIES

A HEARTFELT CELEBRATION OF DEVOTION AND CULTURE

On August 23, 2024, our Primary School students celebrated Krishna Jayanti with vibrant festivities! Dressed as Radha and Krishna, they filled the atmosphere with joy and devotion. The celebration featured a soulful group song, an engaging video on Lord Krishna's birth, a delightful divine walk, and a joyful devotional dance. It was truly a memorable day, filled with faith, culture, and celebration!



GRADE 1 CURRICULUM FAMILIARITY DAY

The CBSE Grade 1 Curriculum Familiarity Day with parents took place on Saturday, July 13, in the school auditorium. During the event, parents were provided with an in-depth understanding of the curriculum, including how the National Education Policy (NEP) has been integrated.

Key highlights of the session included detailed explanations of important programs such as "The Leader in Me" and the RACE reading program.

The event also showcased enhanced extracurricular activities available to students, including the new music and dance studios.

An interactive session gave parents the opportunity to discuss their expectations, ask questions, provide feedback, and gain clarity on various aspects of their child's educational journey. This event aimed to foster a collaborative environment, ensuring parents are well-informed and actively engaged in their child's learning process.



UNIVERSITY FAIR

Manchester International School, in collaboration with the IDP Education Coimbatore chapter, hosted the first university fair of the season on Thursday, July 25, 2024, at the School Auditorium. The event featured participation from 60 prestigious universities from both India and overseas. The fair provided students with a valuable platform to explore diverse university options, interact with representatives, and gain insights into the application process. This initiative aimed to empower students to make well-informed decisions about their higher education journey and create their own pathways for the future.

Manchester International School celebrated India's 78th Independence Day with vibrant performances and heartfelt speeches. On August 15, 2024, the ceremony began with the rendition of "Tamil Thai Vazhthu," followed by the hoisting of the flag. The Head of School delivered a thought-provoking speech on the true meaning of independence. Staff and students attended the ceremony, with staff members adding a touch of patriotism in their tricolor attire.



India's 78th Independence Day Celebration: Relive the spirit of freedom and patriotism!



Bridging Tradition and Modernity: Vinayaka Chaturthi Celebration



On 5th September 2024, Manchester International School celebrated Vinayaka Chaturthi, blending tradition with vibrant energy! Students showcased their talents through mesmerizing bhajans, heartfelt speeches, and captivating dance performances. Our young minds beautifully bridged the gap between heritage and modernity, embracing the true essence of this auspicious occasion.

On September 5, 2024, our Student Council for 2024-2025 organized a heartfelt Teachers' Day Assembly, filled with dance, poetry, music, and a PowerPoint presentation to honor our dedicated teachers. Our Head of School expressed gratitude to the teachers for their incredible selves, despite facing their own challenges, and acknowledged their unwavering commitment to education.



Celebrating Our Educators: A Heartfelt Teachers' Day Assembly



Voices of Tomorrow: Celebrating International Literacy Day

We celebrated International Literacy Day on September 9, 2024, with an Elocution Competition for Grades 1 to 5. Students of Grades 1 & 2 spoke on the Importance of Reading, highlighting how reading fosters imagination and knowledge. Grades 3 to 5 discussed Literacy in Promoting Peace, emphasizing the role of education in building a peaceful world. The participants showcased great confidence and eloquence, leaving the judges impressed. Congratulations to all the young speakers for their outstanding performances



Joy and Creativity: Celebrating Onam Together

On September 9, 2024, Manchester International School celebrated Kerala's iconic Harvest Festival with great enthusiasm and tradition. Our students displayed their creativity through competitions in pookalam design, mask making, and poster creation. The event culminated with a traditional Onam Sadhya feast, served on banana leaves, where the entire school community enjoyed a variety of authentic Kerala dishes.



BUILDING SKILLS BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR GRADES 1-5

Our school offers a vibrant selection of clubs for Grades 1-2 and Grades 3-5, each designed to enhance various aspects of student development.

For Grades 1-2, clubs include Vocal Music, Zumba and Aerobics, DIY with Fashion Design, Fireless Cooking, Mind Math, Storytelling, Knit and Knot, and Cycling. These clubs focus on fostering creativity, physical fitness, basic culinary skills, mathematical thinking, and storytelling abilities.

For Grades 3-5, students can participate in Silambam, Vocal Music, Literary Club, Knitting and Embroidery, Zumba and Aerobics, Calligraphy, and Volleyball. These clubs aim to develop martial arts skills, vocal and literary talents, textile crafting, fitness, artistic handwriting, and teamwork in sports.

Overall, the clubs provide enriching extracurricular activities that support the holistic growth of our students.

**ISTSE OLYMPIAD 2024:
CELEBRATING OUR
CHAMPIONS!**



We are thrilled to congratulate our students on their outstanding achievements in the ISTSE Olympiad held in February 2024. A special applause goes to Abhinav Siddharth of Grade 2 and Soumika Das of Grade 4, who both earned cash awards for their distinguished performances, showcasing exceptional skill and dedication.

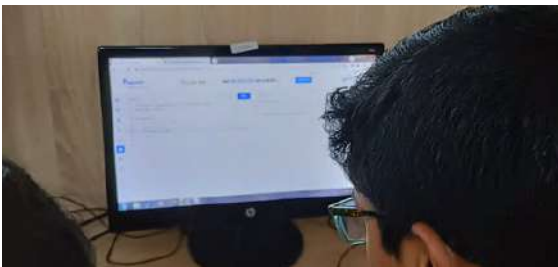
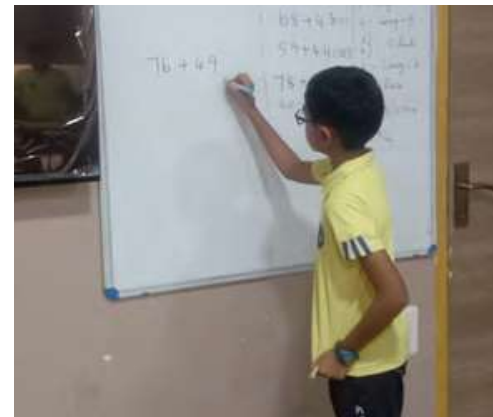
Our heartfelt congratulations also extend to all the winners:

- Abhinav Siddharth, Adhvik GK, and Soumika Das for securing Gold Medals
- S. Devarjun and Sagashra GK for winning Silver Medals
- Vaishvi Golden and Darshan RD for receiving Bronze Medals

EXPLORING NEW HORIZONS: CLUB OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADES 6-9 & 11

Our school offers a dynamic range of clubs for students in Grades 6-8 and Grades 9 & 11, aimed at enhancing various facets of their development.

For Grades 6-8, students have the opportunity to participate in Yoga, Vedic Math, SUPW, Coding, Zine/Literary, Vocal Music, Volleyball, Handball, Table Tennis, Karate, Silambam, and Kho Kho. These clubs emphasize physical fitness, problem-solving, creative expression, and sportsmanship.



For Grades 9 & 11, the available clubs include Environment, Coding, Yoga, Zine/Literary, SUPW, Vocal Music, Karate, Volleyball, Handball, Table Tennis, Kho Kho, and Silambam, offering a blend of environmental consciousness, technological skills, and athletic development. Together, these clubs provide students with diverse opportunities to develop their skills and interests, promoting well-rounded personal growth.



MANCHESTER INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL SHINES AT THE 20TH ALL INDIA OPEN KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Our students shone brightly at the 20th All India Open Karate Championship held in Trichy on August 11, 2024, competing for the prestigious Chezhiyans Rockfort Cups.

We bagged an impressive haul of:

- 6 Gold Medals
- 8 Silver Medals
- 9 Bronze Medals

Kudos to our talented students and dedicated coaches for their hard work and perseverance. Keep pushing boundaries and making us proud!

A special thanks to our coaches and parents for their unwavering support and encouragement. We're already looking forward to the next championship!

Empowering Young Minds: Tata Building India Essay Competition Winners



We are excited to announce the results of the Tata Building India English Essay competition, centered around the thought-provoking topic, "Role of Youth in Building a Smart India." This competition provided an exceptional platform for our students to express their ideas on how they can contribute to making India smarter through innovation, entrepreneurship, community service, and participation in governance. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to the winners: Brithi (Grade 7B), Aasheema Afreen (Grade 7A), and Jaivanth (Grade 6A) in the Junior Category, and Narmatha (Grade 11A) in the Senior Category. We applaud all participants for their insightful contributions and encourage our young leaders to continue showcasing their expressions in writing as they embark on the journey of nation-building.

Celebrating Success: Students Shine in Design Aura Photography Competition



We are proud to announce that the following Grade 11 students have achieved 11 place in the Photography competition organized by Design Aura: Namratha, Blessen, Vikash, Sarvesh, Thanisha, Neeraj, Sinisha, Gaspel, and Tamanna. Their remarkable talent and creativity were showcased through their outstanding photographs, reflecting their dedication and passion for the art of photography. We commend these students for their impressive achievement and encourage them to continue pursuing their artistic interests. Congratulations to all!

Wealth Out of Waste: Students Showcase Creativity for Sustainability



The "Wealth Out of Waste" competition, held on July 12, 2024, marked World Paper Bag Day by engaging Grades 1 to 5 students to create innovative items from old materials. Emphasizing the principles of Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle, the event promoted environmental awareness and creativity. Participants showcased impressive creations using newspapers, plastic bottles, and fabric scraps. The competition successfully inspired students to think critically about sustainability and the importance of making positive environmental choices.



Students Shine in National-Level Spell Bee International Competition



We are proud to announce that Mithila (Grade 7), Dhovina, Luke, Rithwik (Grade 6), Geshna, and Vaishnavi (Grade 5) have been awarded the Certificate of Accomplishment in the National Level Spell Bee International competition. Their exceptional performance in spelling, vocabulary, and grammar has earned them recognition at the national level. This achievement highlights their hard work, dedication, and the support of our school. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to these bright minds and wish them continued success in all their academic endeavors.

INTRAMURAL SPORTS COMPETITIONS



Intramural sports have long been a cherished tradition at our school, offering an opportunity for students to participate in organized sports activities within our own community. These events are designed to be inclusive, providing students of all skill levels with the chance to engage in physical activity, build teamwork skills, and enjoy the thrill of friendly competition. The diversity of options allowed students to explore new interests and discover hidden talents. It was heartwarming to witness the camaraderie and support students offered to each other, whether they were celebrating victories or encouraging each other during challenging moments.



GRADE 1'S VISIT TO GASS FOREST MUSEUM

On August 5, Grade 1 students visited the Gass Forest Museum, where they were introduced to various exhibits showcasing the rich biodiversity of forests. The students were fascinated by displays of different animal species and forest ecosystems. The trip enhanced their understanding of wildlife and the importance of forest conservation, making it both educational and memorable.



GRADE 2'S GREEN ADVENTURE AT THE BOTANICAL GARDEN

On August 1, Grade 2 students visited the Botanical Garden, where they explored various plant species and learned about the importance of conservation. The trip offered a hands-on experience with nature, allowing the students to observe different types of flora and understand the role plants play in the ecosystem. The children enjoyed the educational outing and returned with a renewed appreciation for the environment.



GRADE 3 EXPLORES SCIENCE AT REGIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE

Grade 3 students had an enriching visit to the Regional Science Research Centre. The trip offered a hands-on learning experience as students explored various scientific exhibits and participated in interactive activities. They were fascinated by displays on space, physics, and environmental science. The guided tour provided insights into scientific research and innovation, sparking curiosity and enthusiasm for science among the young learners. Overall, the visit was both educational and inspiring, enhancing their understanding of scientific concepts.



GRADES 4 & 5 DISCOVER THE WONDERS OF INSECTS

Grade 4 and Grade 5 students visited the Insect Museum, where they enjoyed an engaging learning experience by observing various insect species up close. Through interactive exhibits and guided tours, they learned about insect habitats, life cycles, and their roles in the ecosystem. The visit deepened their understanding of entomology and sparked curiosity about the natural world.



CONSERVATION IN ACTION: GRADE 6-8 VISIT TO NILGIRI BIOSPHERE NATURE PARK

On 14 August 2024, our Grade 6 to 8 students visited the Nilgiri Biosphere Nature Park in Anaikatti, Coimbatore, where they gained valuable insights into conservation efforts. They learned about the park's role in preserving over 430 plant species, including 85 endemic and endangered species. Through interactive exhibits and guided tours, students explored ecosystem interdependence, plant identification, and the importance of community engagement in conservation. This experience inspired them to appreciate biodiversity and reflect on their responsibilities toward protecting the natural world.



CULTIVATING LEADERSHIP SKILLS: A JOURNEY WITH THE LEADER IN ME

The Leader in Me program has been successfully introduced to our students, providing them with essential leadership and life skills. This evidence-based curriculum focuses on seven habits that empower students to tackle challenges effectively.



As part of the program, students maintain daily journals for reflection and participate in an Emotional Bank activity. In this activity, they write about impulsive reactions to daily incidents and are encouraged to consider more appropriate responses. This practice enhances self-awareness and emotional intelligence, fostering a positive learning environment for all students.



Empowering Leaders: A Three-Day Leadership Training Workshop

The three-day Leadership Training Workshop at Manchester International School, led by Mr. Praveen Vyas and Ms. Shruti Mahajan from Live Life Education, provided a valuable opportunity for educators to enhance their leadership skills. Day 1 introduced the Leader In Me program, focusing on the See-Do-Get model and paradigms of leadership, while also covering the first three habits from Dr. Stephen R. Covey's *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*. Teachers engaged in reflective activities, including writing gratitude letters, and gained insights into proactive thinking, vision setting, and effective prioritization.



On Day 2, the session started with an activity called Bless, Connect, and Express, where teachers expressed appreciation and apologies to their peers. The focus shifted to Habit 3: Put First Things First, emphasizing trust in relationships through the concept of an Emotional Bank Account. Habit 4: Think Win-Win encouraged educators to foster mutually beneficial agreements, demonstrated through a fun balloon and toothpick game. Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood highlighted the importance of empathic listening, making the session both interactive and insightful.



Day 3 focused on Habit 6: Synergize, which emphasized valuing differences and promoting creative cooperation, followed by Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw, which underscored the need for continuous renewal of the body, heart, mind, and spirit. Teachers participated in activities such as story-making and the Destination Game to apply the habits in real-life scenarios. The workshop concluded with a motivating rendition of Michael Jackson's "Heal the World," inspiring the educators to lead with purpose and compassion. This enriching workshop empowered educators with essential leadership tools, equipping them to foster growth, collaboration, and success within their classrooms and beyond.

Enhancing Literacy through Phonics: A Workshop for Primary Educators

Educators from the Primary sections at Manchester International School recently participated in a transformative workshop, "Building Strong Foundations: Phonics Strategies for Effective Reading Instruction." Led by Mrs. Shalini Devi, an accredited trainer from Jolly Learning UK and founder of Phonics Power, the workshop provided valuable insights into effective phonics instruction. With a focus on Jolly Phonics, reading strategies, comprehension, hands-on activities, individualized instruction, and curriculum integration, the session aimed at enhancing literacy instruction for young learners. Teachers gained practical tools and strategies to foster early literacy, paving the way for proficient readers and lifelong learners. The workshop proved to be a resounding success, equipping educators to make a lasting impact on students' reading skills.



Pearson Workshop Empowers Primary Teachers with Innovative Strategies



On August 10, 2024, all Primary School teachers at Manchester International School participated in an enriching workshop conducted by Pearson, led by Ms. Dheena. The session focused on enhancing students' conceptual understanding through innovative teaching strategies. Ms. Dheena introduced practical approaches designed to improve classroom methodologies and foster better learning outcomes. The workshop was well-received, with teachers eager to implement these new strategies in their classrooms to create more effective and engaging learning experiences for their students.



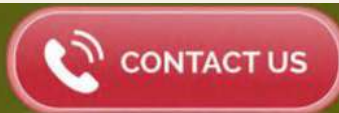
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TOMORROW'S LEADERS:
INVESTITURE CEREMONY 2024-25**



We are thrilled to announce the successful completion of our Investiture Ceremony, marking the beginning of a new chapter for our Student Council 2024-25! Honoring the occasion with their presence were our Chairman, Dr. P. S. Moorthi, Correspondent Ms. Priya Moorthi, and our Academic Heads. The ceremony saw Neeraj from Grade 11 take the oath as the newly elected School President, along with the other student council members.

We wish Neeraj and the entire Student Council a successful tenure filled with leadership, teamwork, and excellence. Congratulations to our young leaders!

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