



## **JEEVANA SCHOOL**

**PONMENI JAYANAGAR, MADURAI - 10.**

### **From the Chairman's desk**

You may be happy to know that two of our students, Kumari SEETHALAKSHMI, D/o Mr. & Mrs. P. HARIHARAN and Master BALAMURUGESWARAN, S/o Mr. & Mrs. M.PARAMESHWARAN have secured the 10th rank in the State in the Class XII Examination held in March, 2002 and they are now eligible for scholarship to pursue their future studies. Our endeavours are being continued to improve the standards in all aspects. You can see by some of the news published in this news letter that our students continue to do well in many areas of our school activities.

As regards Academics, we have the majority of parents and students very cooperative and interested. There is a small percentage of our students who are causing concern to us. In this group we have two categories - one, a group of students who are capable of doing well but not doing well enough. Some of the parents of these students also are not cooperative. They do not see the diaries every week to find out what the students write in the diaries. Also test marks are communicated through the school diary. If parents do not see and respond, they should not expect their children to perform well. A few of these students also become discipline problems in the School. These students can certainly do well if only Parents cooperate with the School. The other category is that a very very small number of students are not able to accept our curriculum and environment. Parents of such students should see whether an easier system is better for their wards.

Yours sincerely,

**M.S. Iyengar**  
(Chairman)

## JEEVANA SENIOR SCHOOL (2002-2003)

### CHRONICLER'S COLUMN

- 5th June** The School reopened for the new academic year. The announcement of the prestigious achievement of class XII students in the public exam was a real morale booster to look forward to an even more prestigious year.
- 14th June** ALBERTO BARROW MEMORIAL ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION was conducted for the ICSE students.
- 21st June** FRANK ANTHONY MEMORIAL INTER SCHOOL DEBATING COMPETITION for the ICSE students was hosted by our school.
- 27th June** The Swearing - in - Ceremony of the students selected as school prefects was conducted in a solemn way. Dr. Rajamanickam, Head of the Biology Dept., MK.University was the chief guest.
- 29th June** A seminar on Communication, Time management and Career options was conducted for our class XI students.
- 8th July** Our class XII students attended a seminar on 'Entrance exam and Motivation' given by Srivats, an old Jeevanite.
- 13th July** A meeting was conducted to felicitate the Jeevana top scorers, and the centum scorers of the class XII - 2002 public examination. Cash awards and merit certificates were given away by Dr.Krishnan of MKU to the meritorious scorers of Jeevana and also to the teachers behind the centum scorers.
- 6th August** Mr.Bhaskar, the teacher-cum-co-ordinator of Jeevana organised a display of breath - taking pictures and pamphlets on the destructions and tragedies inflicted by the first atom bomb (Little Boy) on Hiroshima and Nagasaki on 6th August 1945. It was a moving experience for each Jeevanite and it might goad them to detest war and to follow the path of peace and harmony.
- 10th August** A very warm felicitation was given to one of our students, Master Rama Natarajan of class VIII who was the JUNIOR AMBASSADOR from India to the Asia Pacific Children's Conference (APCC-2002) held in Japan. Mr. Jeganadhan (TAMBRAS) and Mr. Chockalingam (Kavingar Kannadasan Narpani Mandrams) presided over the function.



- 15th August** The Nation's 56th Independence Day was celebrated with a variety of programmes presented by all the three branches of the Jeevana School. It was then followed by the Exhibition conducted by the Senior school students on both academic and co-curricular subjects. Mr.R.Gunaseelan, Our Director and Principal hoisted the National flag and then inaugurated the exhibition.
- 17th August** The Annual Sports Meet (2002-2003) was conducted in a grandiose manner. Mr. R. Gunaseelan, Our Director and Principal declared the Meet opened.
- 16th August** The Hindu Young world' painting competition was conducted. The Hero Cycles conducted a Painting / Drawing / Story writing / Poetry writing competition on the topic 'HEROES OF INDIA'. Hemalatha (VII) and Sowndra (VIII) won prizes.
- 21st August** Maggi Quiz was conducted for students of class VI to VIII.
- 5th September** MC Mohan Memorial Inter School Essay and Short Story writing competition was conducted by our school. Teachers Day was celebrated with all its dignity and beauty. Class XI students put up an amazing variety show on the stage spreading the dignity and nobility of the teaching profession.
- 9th September** First Terminal Exam started for class VI to XII students.
- 22nd September** School closed for Quarterly holidays.

#### **A WORD OF APPRECIATION**

Mrs. Uma Kannan has presented to the school library about two hundred valuable books. We appreciate the kind thought and gesture of Mrs. Kannan. The children and staff, I am confident, will make good use of these books.

Mr. & Mrs. Hariharan have donated the refundable deposit made on behalf of their daughter to the school as a mark of gratitude to the school. This is the first of its kind in the history of the school.

## They Lead Us - The School Prefects



Head Boy  
Anish B. George



Head Girl  
Priyadarshini



Vice Head Boy  
Praveen Kumar Jain



Vice Head Girl  
S. Archana

## House Prefects - Himalayas



Veejay. T



Megha Gupta



Vijay Kothari



Uma Maheswari. S



Nirmal Paul Jacob

## Nilgiris



Mohamed Faizal



Vandana Kothari



Aiswarya. J



Pankaj Baradia



Karthikeyan S.K.

## Shevroys



Deepika. G



Santhosh Kumar



Vijaya Lakshmi. U



N. Maheswar



Karthik. K.J.

## Vindhya



Sethu. M



Ajay Jonathan



Sripal Jain



Divya Vardhan



Abilash Raj



### **CHERISHED MEMORIES**

#### **(INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS & THE EXHIBITION)**

August 15 - the nation's 56th Independence Day and our school's Exhibition Day was a day of true spirit, amusement and satisfaction. It was a really exciting day as the students and teachers of all the three branches of Jeevana assembled in the Senior School play-ground. We started the day with a sincere prayer to God Almighty. Then our Director and Principal, Mr. R. Gunaseelan hoisted the Indian flag. The flag swayed in the air as a symbol of pride and prosperity as the younger generation saluted.

The tricolour badge on every student's chest and the variety programmes presented by the students of the Jeevana family really pepped up the true spirit of patriotism in every one.

Soon after the Independence Day celebrations, the students received toffees and proceeded to the Exhibition halls. Each class room of the senior school was an open stage for the talented, creative and scientific minded students to exhibit their talents and skills in various academic and co-curricular subjects. The innovative minds of students gave shape to their ideas in the form of still and working models, chart work, artistic creations etc. Every student explained his or her project to the satisfaction of the viewer. Not only the students but the parents also were really amazed at the potential of the students from class VI to XII. Their praise for the students was boundless. For all the Jeevanites it was a day to be proud of --- a day to be remembered to be cherished in the years to come. Jeevanites have once again strived to excel.

**M. Sethu XII-A**

### **ATTENTION PARENTS**

There is a school rule that no expensive gift should be given to any one in the school. Expensive is a relative term and people may say what is expensive for one may not be expensive for another. Perhaps a parent who is keen on giving gifts may give fruits, cakes or sweets on an occasion. Materials like household utensils, glassware, dress materials and sarees may not be given to any one in the school. If parents are really keen on giving, they can offer money in the school office which will be shared by all the members of the Subordinate staff during Diwali or Pongal.

### Is there light at the end of the tunnel?

An American, during his visit to India, asked some by-standers what the national flower was. "Plastic packets", replied a young boy innocently. Ironic, isn't it? But true. Look around you and you will find the trees adorned with filthy plastic bags.

Muniyandi, a Maduraite, is a driver in Singapore. In Singapore he does not dare to throw a piece of paper on the road. When he's back home in India, he spits pan on every wall. Gandhiji got us freedom from the British, but we Indians tend to think that we've got freedom to say anything, freedom to throw garbage around, freedom to ease ourselves on public pavements, freedom to stick posters on others' walls and freedom to...

Rich people's dogs in India are walked over pavements to leave their excreta all over the place. In America, every dog owner has to clean up the area after his pet has done the job. The same is in Japan. Will the Indian citizen do that here? He would probably blame the authorities for their inefficiency and the dirty pavements. What does he expect the officers to do? Go down with a broom everytime his dog feels the pressure in his bowels?

All is not lost. There is a ray of hope. India's recycling system is perhaps the best in the world. Our ragpickers sort out every dustbin and put every usable bit of garbage back into use. Look at our Tajs, Our Oberois or just walk into an office of TELCO or Hindustan Lever. You will find the amazing cleanliness and beauty of the ambience that'll make any Indian proud.

Let us put our thinking caps on and work on a strategy to clean up India. Let us begin with Madurai - and, why not within our vicinity, Ponmeni Jayanagar?

Ajay Jonathan Std. XII A

### CONGRATULATIONS !!!

 <p><b>AT THE PINNACLE</b></p> <p><b>A.R. Karthik</b> of Class XI-A has been placed one among the TOP 50 in the 10th Standard Board Examination conducted by the ICSE in March 2002. We are proud of you Karthik! May you win many more laurels for Jeevana!</p>	 <p><b>A PROUD ACHIEVEMENT</b></p> <p><b>Ram Natarajan</b> of Class VIII was the Junior Ambassador from India to the Asia Pacific Children's Conference (APCC) 2002 held in Japan from 13th to 28th of July.</p>
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### A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

G. Vasanth of Class IX has been selected for a Youth Exchange Programme by the Rotary Club of Madras Pallava to go to Sri Lanka for a '5 Day' programme likely to be held in the second week of October. ALL THE BEST!



## EMBEDDED SYSTEMS - A NEW SURGE IN TECHNOLOGY

Quick wits

A person sitting in a director's car, listening to the radio, is a director. A person sitting in a director's car, listening to the radio, is a director. A person sitting in a director's car, listening to the radio, is a director.

1. **Bore :** A person who has nothing to say and says it.
2. **Bus :** A vehicle which travels faster when you are after it, then when you are in it.
3. **Cigarette :** Tobacco rolled with a paper with a flame on one end and a fool on the other.
4. **Middle age :** That's when a man's hairline goes back & his waistline goes forward.
5. **Heredity :** Parents believe in this phenomenon when they have bright children.
6. **Happiness :** The interval between periods of unhappiness.
7. **Intoxication :** The physical state, in which a person feels highly sophisticated without knowing to spell it.
8. **Standing Committee :** A group of people who sit around doing nothing.
9. **Politician :** A person who shakes your hand before the election and shakes you up after it.
10. **Racehorse :** An animal that takes a thousand people for a ride at the same time.

11. **Proverb :** A short sentence based on a long experience.
12. **Psychiatrist :** A person who doesn't have to worry as long as others worry.
13. **Psychologist :** A person who looks at everyone else when a beautiful girl enters the room.
14. **Old Age :** A time when a man pays more attention to his food than the pretty waitress.

(LAUGHTER - THE BEST MEDICINE)

Compiled by **Shruti Dheep & Deepika Nathan (X-B)**

**EMBEDDED SYSTEMS - A NEW SURGE IN TECHNOLOGY**

A person sitting in a driverless car that takes him from Mumbai to Delhi using a built-in program..... a doctor configuring a pacemaker in a patient's chest while sitting 200kms away; Impossible? Not really.

The advancement of science and technology has created a scenario where all these can be possible. Embedded systems are the basic concept involved in this. Embedded systems are basically smaller computers that run on a single chip collaborating nano-technology in it. At present embedded systems are used in GPS, ATM, Mobiles, camcoders etc., In recent years it has received a major shot in the arm. The basic things that propelled this concept are the advancement in computers, new softwares, internet, platforms like Java etc., All these have given embedded systems a new dimension to work on.

The most common area where it is used is in the field of automobiles. Every new car that rolls off the ramp has atleast 10-15 systems in it to control ignition, lighting, temperature, airbags etc. In a few years time you can find them right at your house.

How would you like to have a house that opens the door on scanning your retina; a refrigerator that checks for supplies & orders for replenishments; Intelligent appliances that send alert messages over your PDA, Mobile etc.? Some of these are already on the market.

It is not possible to use desktop operating systems on these systems. This is because of the errors that operating systems cause. What will you do if your house refuses to open the doors because Windows caused an exceptional error in sector 308DCB' or a blue screen error.? So they have a no-go to this zone.

To sum up, these small giants(Davids) are all set to conquer a whole new world which is forbidden to the desktop systems (Goliaths); So wait with bated breath & see your life getting transformed.

**ANISH B GEORGE (XII)**

**THE BOOK**



**S. Harshitha V, VSP**

**THE MEDIA INVASION**



**Balavignesh V-A, Junior School, Ponmeni**



### To Err is Human .....

These are real letters written by people who need a slight brush up on their English. Read and enjoy these Tales of woe!

1. A candidate's application "This has reference to your advertisement calling for a typist and an accountant - Male or Female... As I am both for the past several years and I can handle both, I am applying for the post...."
2. An employee applied for leave as follows: "Since I have to go to my village to sell my land along with my wife, please sanction me one week leave".
3. Another employee applied for half-a-day leave as follows: "Since I have to go to the cremation ground and I may not return, please grant me half-a-day causal leave".
4. A friend of mine had written a leave letter to the Headmistress: "As I am studying in this school, I am suffering from headache. I request you to leave me today".
5. A family friend of ours told an incident of his friend's letter, "I am suffering from fever, please declare holiday to the school".
6. Another leave letter written to the Administration Dept; "As my mother-in-law has expired and I am responsible for it, please, grant me 10 days leave".
7. Another leave letter written to the Headmistress. "As my headache is paining, please grant me leave for the day".

Friends, next time, while you write a leave letter, please be a trifle more careful!!!

[courtesy : Internet, friends and relatives]  
by **Shruthi Dheep** X-B



**K. Abirami** V-A (Junior School - Ponmeni)



**U. Surya Prabha** VIII-C, Senior School

## வா ! பாரதி !!

18-தீ

பாரதி

நுதல்பின் கனல் கடலில்லை-உன்

பச்சின் அனல் பொக்கி ஓடின

வள்ளையர்

நுத்தாவும் நீதான் பெற்றுத்தந்தாய்

நந்திரம்

ண்டுப் படைப்பாயா அந்த சசித்திரம்?

புயிர் ஆயிரம் கணவுகள் கண்டாய்-இது

நுதையர் தேசமென கர்வம் கொண்டாய்

நவர்கள் பலஅமைக்க வேண்டுமென்றாய்

ண்டங்கள் பரிமாற வேண்டுமென்றாய்

நரத்ததைப் போற்றி போற்றி பூரித்தாய்

நட்டாய்!

விழும்பிய பாரத நாடு

பிரிதம் நோக்கிப் போகிறது

நதை மாற்ற வா!

டிகள் திசை திரும்புகின்றனர்

நுத்த வா!

நா! வா!

பரிமாறவே முடியுமா வா!

புறமே; எழுந்து வா!

புருளை நீக்க அகலாய் வா!

நரசக்தியின் மைந்தர்-எங்களைப்

நதுகாக்க வா!

நதயவத்தோடு தெய்வமானவனே

நதன்னிந்தியாவைக் காண வா!

நன்னையிடம் சொல்லாதே

நண்ணத்துக் கொள்வான்

நவன்குத் தெரியாமல் ஓடிவா!-மீண்டும்

நமனை அனுப்பினாய்

நான் போகிறேன் உனக்காக

நான் திருநாட்டிற்கு

உன் சேவை வேண்டுமாய் வா!

நதிரவலாம் ஏழ்மை நிலை

உலகெல்லாம் வன்முறைக் கொலை



இதைக் காண அழைக்கவில்லை

உன்னை

இதிலிருந்துக் காப்பாற்ற அழைக்கிறேன்

ஒருவனுக்காக உலகை அழிக்கச் சொன்னாய்

உலகம் அழிகிறது - நீ ஒருவன் நிறுத்த வா!

உன் குரல் கேட்டால் பல கூக்குரல் அடங்கும்

எல்லாம் மாறாவிட்டாலும் எதிர்க்க வீரம்

பிறக்கும்

என் நாட்டில் விடுவெள்ளி முளைக்கும்

வீகம் புயல் காற்று பூங்காற்றாகும்

ஆடும் சாதிப் பேய்கள் அடங்கி ஓடும்

கல்லாமைக் கொடுமை இல்லாமல் போகும்

அங்கொன்று, இங்கொன்று எனப் பூக்கும்

புதுமைப் பெண்கள் புத்துயிர் பெறுவர்

இமயம் போல் இந்தியா உயரும்

அரபிக் கடல் போல் ஆர்ப்பரிக்கும் - இன்று

ஏகம் பல நாடுகள் வாயடைத்துப் போகும்

அமெரிக்காவும் நம்மை அண்ணாந்துப் பார்க்கும்

எதிர்பார்ப்புடன் காத்திருக்கிறேன்

அய்யனே! விரைந்து வா!

விடியல் தா!!

PRIYADARSHINI. A XII A

### Giving shape to their Ideas





## ஒளியேற்ற....

சொர்க்கத்தில் வாழும் 'மகாத்மா'வோ!  
உனக்கு எங்கள் வர்க்கத்தோடு வாழ விரும்பமா?  
அரும்பாடுபட்டு...  
இரவில் நீ கதந்திரத்தை பெற்றுத்தந்தாய்...  
விடியும் என்று எண்ணி!  
ஆனால் இதோ பார்...  
விடிந்த பிறகும் - இன்னும்  
இருளில்தான் முழிக்கக்கிறோம்!  
இதோ -  
உன் 'இருள்' இத்தியாலின்...  
இன்றைய நிலையினை...  
உனக்கு தூவுகிறேன்-கேள்!  
வீதிக்கொடிகளில்...பலவண்ண...  
துணிகள் அல்ல - கட்சிக்கொடிகள்!  
மாணவன் அறிவிற்கு...  
பாவமாய் மிளங்கவேண்டிய புத்தகங்கள்...  
இன்று - அவன் முதுகிற்கு பாரமாய்!  
பசி பட்டினிச்சாவு ஒருபுறமிருக்க...  
தூளியங்கள் இறக்குமதி மட்டும் அமோகம்!  
உழைக்கச் சொம்பேறிகளை...  
உயர்த்திப் போற்றி பாதுகாத்திடும்-'அன்னதானம்'!  
விண்ணிலே வீசித்து...  
மண்ணிலே புதைதும்...  
'கண்ணிய'க் குடிமகன்!  
நாட்டைக் காத்திடும்...  
காவலன் குடும்பம்...  
கயலர்களால்...  
கடுகாட்டை நோக்கி...  
'இன்னல்' பயணம்!  
குறைகளை தட்டிக் கேட்டால்...  
நம்மை திட்டிக்கழிப்பான்...  
நாம் கூப்பிட்டதூறலுக்கு...  
ஒடோடிவரும் - 'வேட்பாளன்'!  
எதைச் சொல்லி?  
காலை நேரத்தில் கூட...  
எங்களால் கதந்திரமாக...



நடமாடமுடியாததைச் சொல்லவா?  
அல்லது...  
வருமானவரிக்கு நாமம் போடும்...  
அதிகாரிகளுக்கு மத்தியில்...  
நாஸுவேளை உணவிற்காக...  
மானத்தை 'கறு'போடும் மஸ்கையரைச் சொல்லவா?  
அறிந்து கொண்டாயா?  
நாங்கள் அனுபவிக்கும் கதந்திரத்தை!  
இதுபோல் இங்கு ஏராளம்!  
மன்னித்துவிடு மகாத்மாவோ!  
உனது சேவை...மீண்டும் இங்கு தேவை!  
விரித்திருந்து ஒத்துழைக்க...  
இங்கு உண்டு-நாறுகோடி 'சகாத்மா'!  
ஆனால்-  
வீழாதிருந்து வழிநடத்திச் சொல்ல...  
தேவை இங்கு-ஒரேயோரு 'மகாத்மா'!  
புறப்பட்டு வா-இந்தியாவை ஒளியேற்ற...  
கடியிருப்போம் நாங்கள்-தீமைகளை வெளியேற்ற!!!

I Love India

Jai Hind!

By S.K. KARTHIKEYAN XII-A

### Giving shape to their Ideas

VEERAPPAN 1-2002



G. Subramanian XII-A

### IF I WERE A MAGIC CARPET

If I were a magic carpet, I'd take my master wherever he cares.

Here and there, and everywhere, and always return with time to spare.

I shall take him to the United States or to the home of the rich.

Bill Gates or to the banks of the river Nile or land him in a first class jail.

Wherever I fly I would cruise through the vast blue sky.

And wherever I land, I would come down with a bang.

If ever my master utters a lie, I would throw him on my back and fly

To a land where it is even difficult to survive and leave him there with no one to revive!!

### NATURE

God's creation is nature, the nature is an excellent feature!

To see the birds in flight and the shiny moon at night,

The trees which give us a wonderful sight, all live with the help of sunlight

Oh! The wonderful nature with all its beautiful creatures,

Oh! what a beautiful sight and what god has done is certainly right!

S. Shrivatsah IX-C

### IMAGE

The clean river, a view so enchanting,  
Remarkably viewing one's own self,  
As though on mirror your smiling self,  
From the deep depth of your heart, appreciating  
The possessed charm and elegance.

Far from the yonder a pebble hurled,  
Sending across ripples, shattering you,  
Your clean image of charm and elegance.  
So disheartening. Where, from where did this  
Blow on the rivelet strike? I did arise  
Looking around to see, the supple deer, those  
Stinging bees, the fluttering butterfly, and those  
Scurrying hares, not a human soul was around.

From the skies and the demons around, scared I moved, listening  
To the pacing beat of my heart; collecting,  
Recollecting my past. So wherever I moved,  
Somehow, with my words or deeds did I hurt.,  
For a small pebble to shatter my image?  
Shattering this image has hurt, hurt me more.  
Crest fallen, I move, move ahead.  
This image; my shattered image  
Has hurt me the most.

ABDULLA MAJID XI-A



### SPECTACULAR SPORTS DAY

The Sports Day at Jeevana Ponmeni Senior School, was held on 17th August 2002.

It started with the Chief Guest, Mr. R. Gunaseelan, Director and Principal of the school, declaring the meet open. The March past by the students of the four Houses in their respective uniform was colourful. This was followed by other displays like Mass Drill, Dumb Bells, Hoops, Lezeem, Karate, Yoga etc., The students did an excellent job.

When the athletics started, the students were really excited. Each one of them took part in encouraging the participants and it was quite pleasing to watch the children getting involved in sports like this.

All the groups did well. The Overall Championship was won by the Nilgris. The Shevroys won the Rolling Shield for being the best group in March Past.

The way the Sports Day was conducted was well appreciated by the parents. All work and no play will definitely make any body dull and this was a welcome break for the students; and it was thoroughly enjoyed by the parents.

Mrs. SUMATHY RAJAN (PARENT)  
M/o. Siddarth Rajan X-C

### The Fatal Drink

The glass was full with liquid;  
With the malignant reflections  
Of the light dancing in it.  
As the hand clutched the glass  
The liquid swayed in terror.  
Then as the lips swirled it in,  
Everything quietened; the glass was drained.  
None danced the dance later.  
The drinker staggered, swayed, fell;  
And grasped his chest  
But lost his breath and beat -  
A last cry escaping from him.

AJAY MATHEW X-B



J. VIVEK X-B



E. RAJIV GOWTHAM Std. V

### A RECALL OF EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS AT VSP

The School re-opened on the 5th of June 2002 on a wonderful note. Everything went on well as scheduled. Children were excited about their new class, their teachers and meeting their friends. Classes for LKG & UKG began on the 10th of June 2002. This year was very unusual about the babies as their crying had stopped after a couple of days and they settled down to their classroom environment.

We then had our inter-class competition for the 1st Term. In this area our children did their best and some bagged prizes for the same. The Parents were requested to come in as judges for the competitions.

On the 15th of August we celebrated Independence Day at Ponmeni Senior School. Our Children also added colour to the function when they participated in the Cultural Programme that was organised. In the same evening we had our Sports Day which was an evening of fun, laughter and prizes. We had the Shevroys, Himalayas, Nilgris and the Vindhya doing the traditional March Past and the Prep section following them in a colourful parade. The Shevroys bagged the Rolling Cup for this year on an overall basis. To add more excitement we had a display of Karate & Yoga, where our Children performed these skills very well. Atifa Hilal of Class VII has gone for a Karate Competition for Junior Girls and won the 3rd Prize. (The World Shotokan Karate Do Federation, Madurai - T.N.)

In the Chess Competition - I see another Viswanath Anand in Jeevana and he is none other than K. Priyadarshan of Class IV who has won the following Prizes :

Under 7 National level	8th Place
Under 8 State level	5th Place
Under 9 State level	13th Place
Under 9 Natinal level	50th Place
Under 9 District level	1st Place
Under 11 National level	100th Place
Under 18 District level	2nd Place
Under 11 District level	1st Place
Under 9 District level	1st Place.

We are very proud of you Priyadarshan. Congrats! May God's Blessings be with you always.



Ms. Aparna & Mr. Balaji from Britannia conducted an on the Spot Quiz for the Children of classes VI & VII and the proud winners were :

1. Dwarak Sampathkumar of Class VI who bagged the 1st Prize.
2. R. Aruna of Class VII the 2nd Place
3. U. Soundarya of Class VII the 3rd Place.
4. Sameer Kasim of Class VI won a Consolation prize. Congrats to all of you.

Dwarake Sampathkumar also won the III Prize in TRIKA - All India level. This Competition was only for doctors Children. This smart boy also wrote a story in a magazine for Children called 'inkle'. Congrats Dwarak!

Our Children also participated in the LOSA Competitions Organised by the TVS School and won prizes in following categories.

**Story Telling :**

1. Sanjay Krishna of Class I bagged the 1st Prize.
2. S.L. Sri Ram of Class II got a Special Prize.

Rhymes - Manisha of UKG got the 1st Prize.

N. Lakshmi Natchiyar of Class I secured the 2nd Prize in Crayon Rubring - Organised by Alaivani Nadar Sangam. She also got a Consolation prize along with a Cash gift coupon for Fancy Dress Competition.

S. Abinash of Class IV got the II & III Prize for the Skating District Meet Competition.

Congrats to the Winners! May you win many more laurels for Jeevana.

By

**HEADMISTRESS**

(Mrs. J. Demonta)

**TEACHERS IN FLYING COLOURS**

We are happy to introduce the Winners of the 'Drona - 2002' a variety competition conducted by Thangamayil Jewellery on 28th September 2002.

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|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1. Mrs. R.M. Lalitha    | Eng. Essay Writing | Illrd Prize   |
| 2. Mrs. Balasaraswathy  | Pot Painting       | Special Prize |
| 3. Jeevana VSP Teachers | Group Dance        | Special Prize |

**Congratulations to all the Winners!!!**

### **PRIZE WINNING ESSAY FROM SCHOLASTIC INDIA**

[THE SCHOLASTIC INDIA PVT. LTD. conducted a national level essay writing competition for teachers on the topic "THE SCHOOL OF MY DREAM" One of our Teaching staff, Mrs.Omana Antony won a prize out of 680 entries from 237 schools. **Congratulations!!**]

#### **THE SCHOOL I DREAM OF ...**

Only dreams can transform into thoughts which result in action.... here are my thoughts about an ideal school... a dream that can be materialised!!!!

School being the second home of the child, I really prefer it to be a homely one. All the members of a school, irrespective of the students, teachers, non-teaching staff and the management should have a familial rapport of mutual understanding, respect, trust and co-operation. Students must be able to experience the security, support, guidance, affection, freedom and friendliness as they are in their home because such a homely atmosphere is essential for the growth of a good citizen.

Whenever I think of an ideal school, my imagination flies on its wings to that age old Gurukula system. It is not the ideal premises of the Gurukula that lured me the most but its unique inner atmosphere. I said the inner atmosphere unique because there was not a speck of discrimination in the social, economical or racial status of the students. They were all in one status, that is, the status of a student in front of their Guru. And the Guru was the image of God to them, extending to the roles of teacher, parent, guide, friend etc moulding them into useful and successful human beings. The Guru imparts knowledge through his teachings, and practical wisdom through the various life situations to which his students are exposed to. Thus emerges a confident, skilful and determined generation capable of facing life with all its realities. The satisfaction the Guru achieves in fulfilling the perfect moulding of his disciples, and the gratitude of the students are truly divine since it is without a dot of hypocrisy.

My ideal Gurukulam has a few deviations from that of the traditional one. First of all, instead of the one-way teaching [Guru to student] I recommend the most essential criteria of quality education, ie a THREE-WAY interaction....Guru to student, student to Guru, and student to student. Here is the significance of the Residential schools. A child's school life should be confined to Residential schools. 5th to 17th years of a child's life is the most crucial period of his/her character and personality moulding...the physical, mental, intellectual and even spiritual growth of a child occurs during this period. There can be a lot of limitations, distractions and hinderances at home for the full-fledged development of a child. Hence let the 5th to 18th years of a child's life be that typical Gurukulavasam.



Every child is born with some characteristics. Neither the child nor the parents are aware of these hidden skills of the child. Exploration and excavation of these hidden mettle and through a self-awareness programme moulding the child to a confident and successful personality is the divine duty of a teacher. Hence a teacher is a divine smith with a noble purpose.

Teaching being a noble and dignified art, the one who enters to this field must be with a dedicated mind. A good teacher according to me is one who enjoys teaching, finds pleasure in interacting with students, has passion for the subject and capable of using a wide range of teaching methods to facilitate the learner's development, highly versatile and capable to tackle different and new situation, meet challenges effectively, has a mastery over the language and profound knowledge in the subject and above all has the perception to recognise the skills of the child and to equip them for the practical management. More over a child must be able to experience the affection, security, support, guidance and friendship in the company of a teacher who interacts with him/her. For this a teacher must have remarkable humility, patience and empathy. Such a teacher will never label any student; instead he/she will encourage and motivate to make positive differences in the life of the student. The very presence of that teacher will be an inspiration. Such good teachers are the pillars of my ideal school.

Unless the pillars are strong, the building will collapse; hence the teachers who form the pillars must be strong. It is the duty of the school management to energise the teachers. There should have a democratic and cordial atmosphere between the management and the teachers. Open-minded criticism, words of appreciation, freedom to express ideas, very lively and highly interactive meetings, incentives, family gatherings, enrichment programmes, personal criticism in private and keeping a perfect mutual understanding are the unique features of the management-teacher relationship of my ideal school. There shouldn't be anything that hinders the creativity of a teacher. A teacher must feel dignified of her/his status. Such a supportive and reliable management will be the foundation of my school.

Now since the home is ready what matters is the house. Of course it should be marvellous. The ideal location will be a calm, serene and vast area with natural beauty. The main building must be in a very attractive design with spacious, airy and bright classrooms with comfortable and convertible seating arrangement. Full-fledged and effective laboratories, libraries with effective reading room, recreational room, snack bar, sick room with medical aid, toilets and various activity [CC] rooms should be in separate blocks slightly away from the main building. This short distance walk will be a relaxation for the child and should be taken as an opportunity to discipline the child to reach on time. Hostel should be farther on the opposite side of the main building. A huge playground and excellent facilities for both indoor and outdoor games should be there. Space for gardening will be an additional attraction. Discipline, hygiene, food

and food habits, physical education and House competitions are areas that should be supervised thoroughly by the good teachers since those are the major areas of habits and character moulding. A serene hall for regular prayer and meditation is an integral part of my ideal school since prayer and meditation are the paths to self-awareness and to the development of a healthy mind. Each child must be exposed to every talent provided in the school till he/she finds out the hidden talents in him/her under the able and experienced hands.

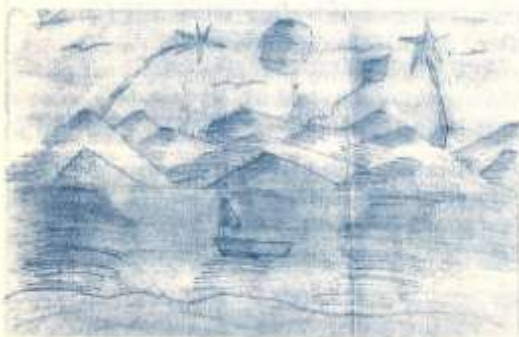
Crime and punishment shouldn't be alien to this campus since the students are prepared to face realities. The best punishment should be the one that enables the child to realise the seriousness of his/her mistake. This sort of awareness is essential for self-discipline.

The younger generation that comes out from this ideal school will be self-reliant, God-fearing, ambitious, optimistic, indifferent to any sort of discrimination in status, and also with a sense of dignity of labour. How lucky a nation is to have such citizens to shoulder her responsibilities! How blessed and prestigious a school is that mould such a generation! THAT IS MY DREAM SCHOOL!!!

Madurai  
27-07-2002.

Mrs. OMANA ANTONY

**THE SERENE BEAUTY OF NATURE!**



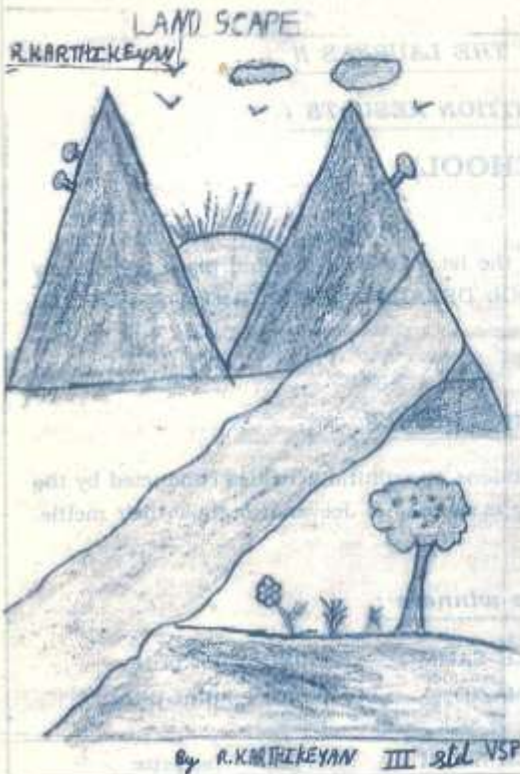
**S. DWARAK VI**  
(Junior School - Visalakshipuram)

**UNITY IS STRENGTH !**



**R. SUDHARSAN III - VSP**





### Cat

I know a Cat  
Which always chased a Rat  
It had a dirty hand  
Always full of sand  
One day the cat said he was going to fall

In the middle of a hall.  
The Rat thought he would be in Peace.  
But soon he was in two - piece.

Gautham Rajan - VI Std (VSP)

### Trees

Trees are tall,  
And I am small.  
Trees give us wood,  
And that is good,  
Many old leaves,  
Make me sneeze.  
I heard someone say : Oak trees live long,  
And they do sometimes!

R. Meenakshi III-B  
(Junior School - Ponmeni)



**HOME THEY BROUGHT THE LAURELS !!**

**INTER SCHOOL COMPETITION RESULTS :**

**(SENIOR SCHOOL)**

SHRUTI DHEEP and HARINY.M. of class X won the 1st place and the 2nd place respectively in the FRANK ANTHONY MEMORIAL INTER SCHOOL DEBATING COMPETITION held on 21st June, 2002.

**LOSA - [19-07-02 to 21-07-02]**

LOSA (Lakshmi Old Students Association) competitions on cultural activities conducted by the TVS., Madurai was a very proud arena for the young maestros of Jeevana to show their mettle.

**Following are the winners :**

1.	JAM (Just A Minute)	ZANE SALEH SALIM	(XI)	1st prize
		ABDULLA MAZID	(XI)	2nd prize
2.	TURN COAT	ZANE SALEH SALIM	(XI)	1st prize
3.	COLLAGE	ANISH B. GEORGE	(XII)	2nd prize
		KIMBERLY JEYARAJ	(X)	2nd prize
4.	CARTOONING	MOHAMMED FAIZAL	(XII)	3rd prize
5.	LIGHT MUSIC	MAHESWAR.N	(XII)	1 prize
		NISHANTH JAMES	(VIII)	1 prize
		DEEPIKA NATHAN	(X)	"
		HARIHARAN	(XI)	"
		R.D. BHARADAN	(X)	"
		SAI PRASANTH	(IX)	"
		HARINY.M	(X)	"
		MCKENZIE	(X)	1 prize
f.	FOOT LOOSE	S. ARCHANA	(XII)	3rd prize



g.	DANCE SHOW	RAMYA	I prize
		RESHMA	"
		SNEHAL	"
		YASMIN	"
		ISHWARYA	"
		BRINDA	"
h.	COSTUME SHOW		
		Mr. LOSA	
	CONSOLATION PRIZE	ANISH B GEORGE	(XII)
		SHRUTI DHEEP	(X)
	MISS CUTE	DEEPIKA NATHAN	(X)

JEEVANA won the overall II place in LOSA cultural festivals.

### MELLOW CAKE TALENT 2002

MELLOW CAKE TALENT 2002 conducted by Ramalinga Company at Raja Muthia Madram, K.K.Nagar, was a remarkable venue for the Jeevanites to prove their talents. The winners are as follows :

1.	CREATIVE WRITING	KARTHIKEYAN	(XII)	Ist prize
2.	TURN COAT	ZANE SALES SALEEM	(XI)	Ist prize
		CHEITNA	(VIII)	IIIrd prize
3.	MELLOW FLAVOURS	SETHU.M	(XII)	IInd prize
		RAJKUMAR	(XI)	"
		ANISH B. GEORGE	(XII)	"
		KARTHIKEYAN	(XII)	"
		MOHAMMED FAIZEL	(XII)	IInd prize
4.	FASHION SHOW	DEEPIKA NATHAN	(X)	Ist prize

5. LIGHT MUSIC

NISHANTH JAMES	(VIII)	IIIrd prize
M. MAHESWAR	(XII)	"
A.C. PRAVEEN	(X)	"
DEEPIKA NATHAN	(X)	"
JAMES	(IX)	"
SAIPRASANTH	(IX)	"
MCKENZIE	(X)	"

**HEROES OF INDIA**

The Hero cycles conducted a district level painting, drawing, story-writing and poetry writing competition on the topic '**Heroes of India**'. Hemalatha of class VII won the 1st prize in Drawing and Sowdra of class VIII won the III prize in Essay writing.

**Inter School Sports Meet**

1. TVS LAKSHMI Athletic Relay	(4x100) Boys	FIRST PRIZE	Sudhan IX Sundarajan VIII Anand VII Kunal VIII Nithin Kothari IX
2. Athletic Relay	(4x100) Girls	FIRST PRIZE	Vineetha VIII Lydia VIII Monica VIII Oviya VII Shruti Dheep X
3. LOSA Athletic Meet	High-Jump	2nd prize	Krithika. R XI
4. DISTRICT YOGA COMPETITION	YOGA	3rd prize	Vaishnavi IX



5. INTER SCHOOL

KARATE COMPETITION	KARATE	SENIOR	A. Shreecharan	VIII-A	1st prize
		"	B. Dayalal	VII-C	2nd prize
		"	James G.A.	VIII-A	3rd prize
		JUNIOR			
		"	B. Anitha	VII	2nd prize

MAGGI QUIZ

RAM CHARAN	VI	1st prize
ANTONY AARON B. GEORGE	VI	2nd prize

CROSS WORD PUZZLE

ABDULLA MAJID and ZANE SALEH SALIM of class XI won the 2nd prize in the crossword puzzle conducted by the Dept. of Commerce in American College, Madurai.

**KUDOS TO ALL THE WINNERS!!!  
WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!!!**

SPORTS DAY

(PONMENI - JUNIOR SCHOOL)

It was a great day! It was Sports Day at Junior School, Ponmeni. Once again the parents could sit back to relax and relish their youngones enthusiastically performing their events. I would definitely like to mention about the weather; inspite of its unpleasantness it was wonderful to have such a pleasing and dazzling evening. That was an enhancing effect to the colourful events.

Each event was unique by itself. Right from the K.G. to IInd Std., the events were just wonderful. They were never in a hurry to finish, but were more dutiful in performing it beautifully and proved their excellence. The track events also thrilled us. The school had done a great job in motivating the students to involve themselves in karate and yoga.

Each moment was lively and well organised. Hats off to the staff and the management!

**Sharmi Kumar** Std. I-A  
M/o. M. Pragadeesh

An enchanting performance!



**Mrs. Mala Gopalakrishnan**  
(Teaching staff - Junior School  
Ponmeni) exhibiting her skill at  
Dance in Dronacharya 2002  
conducted by the Dolphin School  
on 31st August.

The cow up the tree

The cow was in a sulk. She got up a tree, and wouldn't come down.

"Come down you silly old cow", said mother. "Come down, or I'll shake the tree". "Moo-oo", said the cow, and She wouldn't come down.

"Come down, you silly old cow", said father. "Come down, or I'll chop the tree". "Moo-oo", said the cow, and she wouldn't come down.

"Come down, you silly old cow", said Grandma. "Come down, or I'll bulldoze the tree". "Moo-oo", said the cow, and she wouldn't come down.

"Come down, you silly old cow", said Grandpa. "Come down, or I'll hose the tree". "Moo-oo", said the cow, and she wouldn't come down.

Uncle said he would chainsaw the tree. Auntie said she would burn the tree "You silly old cow"! they yelled. The cow said, "Moo-oo", and she wouldn't come down.

Along came sister.

"What's up?" she said

"It's the silly old cow", cried the family. "She won't come down from the tree. And we've got no milk for our tea." Sister got some hay.

"Nice cow", said sister.

"Good cow, kind cow, beautiful cow, please come down". "Moo-oo", said the cow. Then with a jump and a clump....and a thump and a bump, she came down from the tree.

"Thank you, cow!" said the family

*Mom! : Be Kind to get the things done.*

**Natarajan M. V Std. (VSP)**



### The Mighty Lion

It was a dry summer. The animals in the forest were beginning to find it difficult to get food. A bear, a wolf and a jackal thought it better to join hands with a lion and to go for hunting. They approached a lion and he too agreed. The four went off hunting. The hunting party came across a buffalo. The fox and the wolf chased the buffalo, the bear intercepted him and the lion killed him.

The fox made four shares out of the buffalo. When they were about to take their shares, the lion roared and said, "Well friends, the first share is mine for my leadership; the second share is mine for it is I who killed; the third share is mine, for I need it for my cubs. Any one who needs a share can take the fourth; but before that you will have to defeat me. All the three left the place without a single word.

S. Shruthi IV-'A' Jeevana, Ponmeni.

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### THE COLOUR OF LIGHT

What is a rainbow? The "white" light that comes from the sun actually consists of seven different colours. Normally, these colours are invisible, but when sunlight hits the drops of water in the atmosphere after a rainstorm, it disperses - that is, it splits into seven colours, forming a rainbow. The colours of a rainbow are always in this order: red, orange, yellow green, blue, indigo (dark blue) and violet.

Make your own rainbow! on a bright and sunny day, stand outside with the sun behind you. Spray some water into the air from a garden hose or a spray bottle. (Be careful not to get others wet!) You will see a rainbow in the water spray.

S.M. Madhumitha V-B (Junior School - Ponmeni)

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### Attitude

There was a man who made his living by selling balloons. He had all colours of balloons, like red, yellow, green and blue. Whenever business was dull, he would release a helium-filled balloon into the air and when the children saw it go up, they all wanted to buy one. They would come up to him to buy balloons and thus his sales used to flourish. One day, while selling balloons, he felt someone tugging at his jacket. He turned around and saw a little boy who asked, "If you release a black balloon, will that also fly up?" Moved by the boy's concern, the man replied with empathy, "Son, it is not the colour of the balloon, but what is inside, that makes it go up"

The same thing applies to our lives. It is what is inside us that counts. The thing inside us that makes us go up is our ATTITUDE.

U. Mounica IV-A Jeevana, Ponmeni.

### The man who enriched India's food bowl

M.S. Swaminathan, the noted agricultural scientist was honoured with the "World Food" prize in 1987 in Washington. By his devoted and patriotic effort, India has been able to shrug off her "Begging Bowl" image.

He was born in 1925 at Kumbakonam in Tamil Nadu. He was an ardent student from the very beginning and showed integrity in his work. He is an efficient organiser of projects. He has served the country by holding many significant positions. He worked within the country and abroad. He worked as the Director of the Pune Institute; as the Director General of Indian Agriculture Research Council; as the Secretary in Ministry of Agriculture and as the Vice-Chairman of the Planning Commission.

Many Universities have conferred Doctorates on him. In 1972, he was awarded "Padma Bhushan" and won the Magsaysay Award. He was the first one to recognise the potential of the Marican wheat gene Norin through which India's lap filled with wheat. He also has a remarkable administrative personality. He foresaw the vital need for conservation of plant resources. He has been the tireless champion of sustainable agricultural and rural development. He set up an institute for agriculture with the prizes received from nations all over the world.

He has been honoured with Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace and Disarmament for his contribution to the Green Revolution, which ushered the era of socio-economic development in India. Dr. Swaminathan is now spearheading a movement towards what he calls the "Evergreen Revolution". He is the pride and glory of our country. Dr. Swaminathan heads "The centre for Research on Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development" at Chennai.

R. Karthik - V - Ponmeni Junior

#### My Mother

The other word for affection - My Mother

The other word for love - My Mother

The other word for care - My Mother

The other word for unity - My Mother

Who toils all day long for me and all in the family - My Mother.

Like a candle she glows day and night.  
for all the goodness in my life - My Mother.

T.V. Venkateswaran V-B

Jeevana, Ponmeni.





## **SPORTS MEET 2002-2003**

### **PONMENI-JUNIOR SCHOOL**

CONFIDENCE AND ENTHUSIASM, WAS WHAT WAS SEEN ON THE FACES OF THE HEADS, THE TEACHERS, THE NON-TEACHING STAFF, AND THE CHILDREN OF PONMENI JUNIOR SCHOOL ON 16TH AUGUST 2002, BECAUSE IT WAS THEIR "SPORTS DAY".

PARENTS OF JEEVANITES HAD GATHERED TOGETHER IN THE SPRAWLING, WELL DECORATED PLAY GROUND OF JEEVANA SCHOOL BY 5.00 P.M.; TO SEE THEIR LOVED ONES PERFORMING INNOVATIVE ITEMS WITH CONFIDENCE. IT APPEARED THAT "NATURE AND WEATHER GOD" WAS SMILING ON ALL OF US, WITH ITS GENTLE BREEZE, CLOUDY SKY AND MILD DRIZZLE THAT MADE US FEEL AS THOUGH WE WERE IN A HILL STATION.

AS THE CLOCK STRUCK "5" THE ENTIRE MANAGEMENT-TEACHER TEAM PARADED INTO THE PLAYGROUND, LEAD BY THE PRINCIPAL OF THE SCHOOL, MR.GUNASEELAN, CONVEYING THE MESSAGE THAT "PUNCTUALITY BREEDS DISCIPLINE".

WITHIN MINUTES, THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT, "PRAYER SONG TO BE RECITED BY STUDENTS OF CLASS V", WENT INTO THE AIR AND THE BEGINNING WAS MADE. FOLLOWING THE PRAYER A BRIEF WELCOME ADDRESS WAS MADE BY THE TEACHING STAFF. THE FLAG HOISTING AND DECLARING THE "SPORTS MEET OPEN" WAS MADE BY THE VICE PRINCIPAL MR.R. VEL. VENDHAN.

THE MUCH DISCIPLINED PARADE AND DRILL WITH COLOURED DUSTERS WAS CONDUCTED WITH PERFECTION AND TIMING BY THE STUDENTS OF EACH HOUSE - SHEVROYS, HIMALAYAS, VINDHYAS AND NILGIRIS TO THE COMMAND AND THE BEAT OF THE DRUM, WITH DOLLS FROM TOYS KEMP, FOLLOWED BY THE MARCH OF THE NATIONAL LEADERS.

THE ATTRACTIVE DUMB-BELLS, CHARLIE CHAPLIN WALK, SCENERY FORMATION, BALANCING BOOTS, BAT-MAN RACE, THREADING THE BEADS, CLOWNS AT PLAY, FLAG RACE, AND GALLOPPING HORSES BY K.G. TO HIND STUDENTS KEPT THE SPECTATORS SPELL BOUND.

THE TRACK EVENTS INCLUDED, "THREE-LEFTED RACE AND CRAB RACE PERFORMED BY IIIRD STANDARD; "100 METERS DASH AND HURDLES," PERFORMED BY HIGHER CLASS STUDENTS MADE THE PARENTS IMAGINE, HOW WELL THESE YOUNGSTERS ARE GOING TO BLOOM IN THE ARENA OF SPORTS.

THE YOGA AND KARATE DEMONSTRATION, WITH COLOUR DISPLAY WAS JUST LIKE A RUBY IN THE QUEEN'S CROWN.

WITH THE PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AND NATIONAL ANTHEM ALL BEING CONDUCTED, WITH THE RACE AGAINST TIME, BEFORE NIGHT-FALL; PROVED THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFICACY OF THE STAFF AND THE MANAGEMENT OF JEEVANA.

THUS, IT WAS A WONDERFUL EVENING.

By **T.V. VAIDYANATHAN**  
F/o. T.V. VENKATESWARAN  
V - "B"

## Ponmeni - Junior Section Std 1

### Fancy Dress Competition

held in Edward Hall on 11-9-2002

M. Sathya Priyan I-B II Prize  
R.B. Jaishyam L.K.G.-C I Prize

### Winners of Outside Competitions

- |                |             |  |
|----------------|-------------|--|
| 1. Vicky Mohan | Std III     | Special Prize in Fancy Dress held by T.V.S. LOSA             |
| 2. R. Vignesh  |             | Ist Prize in YOGA held by Sivananda                          |
| 3. Amritvel    |             | IInd Stripe in Karate conducted by World Shotakan Federation |
| 4. Amritvel    | Ist Prize   | in Maggi Quiz  |
| 5. Karthikeyan | IInd Prize  | in Maggi Quiz  |
| 6. N. Sneha    | Yellow Belt | in Karate Conducted by Goju Ryu Karate and Sports Club       |

### Nestle Junior Fancy Dress Competition

S. Catherine Tabitha I  
R.B. Jaishyam II  
K. Kailash III

M. Pragadeesh won a consolation prize - event - Fancy Dress (Catagory A)  
(LOSA held in TVS School on July 19th.)

**Congratulations to all the Winners!!!**



### आज कल के राजनीतिज्ञ

अपने बनकर आते हैं,  
कुछ ही दिनों में अनजाने बन जाते हैं,  
अपने बनकर वादे करते हैं,  
गैर बनकर वादे भूल जाते हैं ।

जख़रत पड़ने पर, भिखारी,  
बनकर वादे हमसे माँग जाते हैं,  
जख़रत खत्म होने पर  
भिखारी हमें बना देते हैं ।

पहनकर आते हैं शराफत का नकाब  
देकर जाते हैं बड़े-बड़े भाषण,  
करना चाहते हैं लोगों को प्रभावित  
नहीं चाहते कोई बने कबाब ।

खाते हैं कई झूठी कसमें,  
करते हैं कई झूठे वादे,  
बोलते हैं कई नारे,  
कहते हैं भारत के पूरे करेंगे सपने सारे ।

वक्त के साथ - साथ हालात बदल जाते हैं,  
जैसे दिन-रात बदल जाते हैं,  
जब जख़रत पड़ती है भारत को,  
तब इनके हालात बदल जाते हैं ।

बिखर जाते हैं सारे मोती  
टूट-जाती है यह झूठी माला,  
अब पछताते हैं लोग,  
जब इनका मन हो जाता है काला ।

By  
Puja Giya - X-B  
(Senior School)



पहेलियाँ : (Riddles)



(अ) न मैं खाता हूँ,  
न मैं पीता हूँ,  
सबके घरों की,  
रखवाली करता हूँ।

जवाब - ताला



(आ) जीभ नहीं, फिर भी बोले,  
बिना पाए सारा जग डोले,  
राजा रंक सबको भाता,  
जब आता खुशियाँ लाता।

जवाब - रुपया

(इ) खुशबू है पर फूल नहीं,  
जलती है पर ईर्ष्या नहीं

जवाब - अगस्त्यति

(ई) मैं हरी मेरे बच्चे काले,  
लोग मुझे छोड़कर  
मेरे बच्चों को खाते।



जवाब - इलायची

(उ) गाँव शहर जाता हूँ,  
सबको संदेश पहुँचाता हूँ।



जवाब - पत्र

कविता

साथियों लौट जाओ

दुलहन सी सजी धरती,  
गुलाबों की यह जहाँ,  
खुशबू से भरी धरती,  
भारत के सिवाय पायी जाएगी कहाँ ?

प्रकृति का सौंदर्य देखकर जिसका,  
हो जाए मन प्रसन्न,  
न जख्म पड़े किसी दवा की,  
सभी रहे स्वस्थ एवं आनंद।

वह देश जिसकी मिट्टी,  
उगले हीरे मोती,  
खिलाये विश्व को रोटी,  
भारत के सिवाय होगा कौन ?

करते हैं पढाई हमारे देश में,  
चल पड़ते हैं विदेश,  
साथियों लौटकर आ जाओ,  
बढ़ाने अपने देश का नाम।



By  
Vishal Giya - VII-C  
(Senior School)



## AN ESSAY ABOUT DR. A.P.J. ABDUL KALAAM

क्षेप्यास्त्र मानव एवं हमारे देश के राष्ट्रपति

**डा. अब्दुल कलाम**

(MISSILE MAN AND OUR NATION'S PRESIDENT Dr. A.P.J. ABDULKALAAM)

### भूमिका :-

हमारे देश को प्रगति पथ में आगे बढ़ानेवाले क्षेत्रों से अतिमुख्य क्षेत्र मिसाइल तकनीकी है (Missile Technology). इस मिसाइल कार्यक्रम के सूत्रधार कलामजी की कोशिश एवं मेहनत से ही त्रिशूल, पृथ्वी और अग्नि I & II, नाग और आकाश (Trishul, Prithvi, Agni I & II, Naag and Aakash) आदि अंतरिक्ष के धनी हैं। वे हमारे देश के महान वैज्ञानिक भी हैं और उनका व्यक्तित्व भी गौरवशाली है। आज वे भारत के सर्वोच्च पद के लिए नामांकन किये गये और जीत भी गये। आज वे हमारे देश के राष्ट्रपति बने हैं।

### जन्म और पछाई के बारे में :

अब्दुल कलामजी का जन्म अक्तूबर 15, 1931 में तमिलनाडु के द्रमुक्कोटि में हुआ। कलामजी वहीं अपनी बी.एस.सी. डिग्री प्राप्त की। फिर उसके बाद चेन्नई के यंत्र विज्ञान संस्था द्वारा वैमानिकी यंत्र विज्ञान के बारे में (Aeronautic Engineering) ज्ञान प्राप्त की।

वे प्रतिभाशाली वैज्ञानिक होने के कारण अपने अधिक परिश्रम द्वारा प्रधानमंत्री के मुख्य वैज्ञानिक सलाहकार बने। (Chief Scientific Advisor for our Prime Minister) हमारे देश उनके प्रतिभा को प्रोत्साहन करने के लिए कई इनाम दिए हैं।

### उनके पुरस्कार के विवरण :

1981 में पद्म भूषण (PADMA BHUSHAN AWARD)

1990 में पद्म विभूषण (PADMA VIBHUSHAN AWARD)

1997 में भारत रत्न (BHARATH RATHNA AWARD)



वे एक विश्वास राष्ट्रवादी हैं और धर्म निरपेक्षवादी भी हैं। वे समान आसानी से भगवद्गीता एवं कुरान को उद्धृत कर सकते हैं। कलामजी रुझीया कजाना जानते हैं। वे तमिल भाषा के प्रसिद्ध कवि सुब्रमण्य भारतिपार की कविताओं को पढ़ने में अधिक रुचि दिखाते हैं। वे धार्मिक अंधविश्वासों के अनुयायी नहीं हैं। फिर भी अर्धभरी धार्मिक अंगुष्ठानों का विरोध नहीं करते हैं।

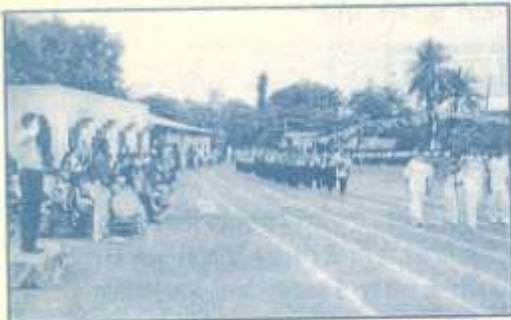
### उपसंहार

हमें ज़रूर उम्मीद है कि वे अपनी प्रभावशाली अनुशासन एवं अनुभवमयी कार्यकुशलता के द्वारा हमारे भारत को विश्व में प्रथम देश बनाने के लिए हर तरफ कोशिश करेंगे और इस कार्य में सफल भी हो जाएंगे।

जय हिन्द ।

By  
**Piyush - IX-B**  
(Senior School)

## HAVING A FIELD DAY



We believe we can...



The Nilgiris marching on to glory!

## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS



We uphold the glory of Mother India!



Mera Bharat Mahan! A Rangoli

## EXHIBITION



Young scientists at work



Innovative minds harnessing the power of nature!





## JEEVANA SCHOOL

PONMENI JAYANAGAR, MADURAI - 10.

### From the Chairman's desk

The bane of Tuitions has affected Parents, Teachers and Students. Tuitions have now become so rampant. I feel that there is hardly any student in class X and XII who does not go for tuitions. Even students of LKG and UKG are sent for tuitions.

It is true the pressure of academics on students has increased. With greater and greater difficulties in securing admission in good colleges and schools, the need to score high marks has become imperative; but my confirmed belief is that a good school must be able to help the majority of the students score high marks without tuitions. A small number in each class may need tuitions. This can be organised by the school. Hence my appeal to parents is to let the school do its job. Also if you feel that your son/daughter has to go for tuitions, please discuss with the concerned Heads in the school.

What do parents look for from a School? Majority of our Parents want good marks. This is understandable. Good schools which think of quality education have to face many hurdles. The main problem is the parental apathy to ask the child about anything else done in the school except academic performance.

How many Parents try to find out the child's interest in games or co-curricular activities or general reading or their interests in any other aspect. Unless parents take an interest in these aspects as well, the school alone cannot do much. It is a wrong notion to feel that children interested in other than text books cannot perform well.

We have now special training in games thrice a week between 3.30 PM to 5 PM. For those children interested, we will be organising "Clubs" in Creative English, Science, Mathematics and General Knowledge, two days a week between 3.30 PM and 5.00 PM from next term. You may encourage your child to select games and other activities of his/her interest.

Parents upto Class IX may complete the questionnaire printed else where in the news letter and send to the Class Teachers.

M.S. Iyengar

## JEEVANA SENIOR SCHOOL (2002-2003)

### CHRONICLER'S COLUMN

- 3rd Oct            The School reopened after the Quarterly holidays.
- 8th Oct            The Leo Members attended the International Leo Club Service Day at Pandian Hotel.
- 12th Oct           Our School hosted the ICSE Schools' State level Sports Meet.
- 16th Oct           The winners from our school in the Colouring and Slogan Competition conducted by ACT II POPCORN were honoured.
- 23rd Oct           A felicitation ceremony was conducted to honour the winners of the MC MAHON MEMORIAL ESSAY and SHORT STORY WRITING COMPETITION.
- 25&26th Oct       Our school participated in the Vikaasa Youth festival and won the Overall Championship.
- 27th Oct           14th Tamilnadu Yoga Competitions was hosted by our school.
- 29th Oct           The Leo members visited the Old-age Home, Pasumalai.
- 7th Nov           Revision Exam started for classes X and XII.
- 14th Nov           Children's Day was celebrated in a memorable way with the Football match played between the Students and the Teachers in which the students won and also with the wonderful show put up by the teachers.
- 16th Nov           Our school students participated in the Inter School Maths Quiz organised by SBOA Matrices. & Hr. Sec. School.
- 19 & 20th Nov       A few of our faculty members attended a workshop on LEARNING DISABILITIES conducted by Madurai Institute of Social Sciences.
- 23rd Nov           Class X went on a one-day tour to Kodaikanal.
- 25th Nov           Class VIII went on a Field Trip.
- 28th Nov           Class VII students visited Puspha Pipes
- 29th Nov           Class VII went on a Field Trip.
- 30th Nov           Class XII went on a one-day tour to Kodaikanal
- 2nd Dec           Class VI had their Field Trip.
- 4th Dec           Our School hosted the conference between the IMS and the Principals of various Schools.
- 9th Dec           Second Terminal Examination started.
- 10th Dec           Class VIII students visited Agricultural College, Madurai.
- 13th Dec           The Leo members from class XI had their Christmas Celebrations in Darling Selvabal Mentally Retarded Children's Home.
- 15th Dec           Class VI-A visited Thiagarajar Mills
- Class VI B & C visited Indian Food Factory
- 18th Dec           Class VIII students visited Puspha Pipes.
- 19th Dec           Class VII students visited Sun Lee Soap Factory
- 20th Dec           We celebrated the Christmas Day with a wonderful programme put up by the students of class VI to IX spreading the message of Love, Peace and Sharing.
- 21st Dec           The School closes for Christmas holidays.

*We wish you all MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR!*



## THE SCHOOL NEWS

### (SENIOR SCHOOL)

Each child is unique and needs individual attention and facilities to develop skills and talents; and hence the various curricular and co-curricular activities. The Second Term though hectic with academics, was well balanced with various activities.

**TESTS AND EXAMINATIONS :** As usual the students had three tests per week from classes VI to IX and XI till 20th Nov. Then after a break the cycle of tests continued from 2nd December onwards. Classes X and XII had Revision Exams and are getting trained more and more through revisions, remedial teachings and written tests for the oncoming Public examination. The Half-yearly exam started on 9th Dec. for classes X, XI & XII with full syllabus.

**EXTRA-COACHING :** The School has arranged extra-coaching classes for the students who do not fare well in the tests and examinations. These classes are in the evenings from 3.45 to 5 by the concerned subject teachers. Study supervision classes are also there from 6 to 8 in the evenings on request of some of the parents for their wards.

Separate coaching classes have been arranged for class XII students according to their academic performance with an aim to push the capable ones to their best and all the others to their peak performance in the oncoming Examination. Apart from the routine classes, the coaching by the subject experts Mr. Suresh (Physics) and Mr. Joseph (Chemistry) from outside institutions goes on for the First group +2 students once in a week, as a continuation of the intensive vacation classes by the same people. Now we exhort the full support and cooperation of the parents to enable the students to reach their target.

**ASSEMBLY :** The Morning assembly continues to be an open arena for students to nurture their talents. Every Wednesday two students address the assembly gathering with a 3 to 5 minutes speech. On Thursdays, there is a 10-minute Presentation by a class on a particular lesson taught and trained by that subject teacher. On Fridays, two students present the News reading. The first 10-minutes of Saturdays, called as Zero period, is meant for the class teachers to interact with the students imparting some moral values. Monday mornings begin with the House Meetings. The brief meditation at the beginning and the end of the school hours is an effective act of disciplining.

**LIBRARY :** The students are well-trained and well-informed about the library ethics-how to do the reference work and, above all, they are given an open access to the books. Reading maketh a man.....so goes the saying ; but our Librarian, Ms.Renuka advocates the children to "Fall in love with books". Reading is a good habit and books are life-long friends, so we exhort the co-operation of the parents to inculcate this useful habit of reading in your wards. Encourage your children to read books of their interest at their leisure and also be aware of how often your child visits the school library and makes use of it. In order to avail the maximum benefit, the library is kept open till 5 o'clock in the evening.

**CC CLASSES :** The school provides training in various co-curricular activities like Vocal, Dance, Mirudangam, Violin, Guitar, Yoga, Karate, Needle-work, Painting, Drawing etc., Some of our students performed excellently in competitions and have won State and National level prizes. All these CC activities are co-ordinated by Mr. Baskar, our Co-ordinator.

**GAMES CLUB :** Physical Education is an integral part of the curriculum; hence, apart from the routine PT classes, interested and talented students are trained in various games like Table Tennis, Foot-Ball, Cricket, Volley-ball, Basket-ball, Skating, Swimming, Yoga etc. These training classes are conducted three days a week from 3.45 to 5 in the evening.

**LEO CLUB :** Members of the Leo club are turning out to be luckier in inculcating the values of life, a vital ingredient of education. Under the efficient hands of Ms.Suriya Devi M.B., the Leo advisor of our school, the Leo members bestow their valuable service on the under-privileged and physically disabled children and old-age people every year at the time of auspicious occasions. The visits to the Deaf and Dumb school, Manamadurai; Old age Home, Pasumalai; the Polio Home, OCPM etc., and the meetings and sharings with those inmates were really a unique experience of love, charity and compassion for the Leo members. The co-operation and support rendered by the parents of these members is highly appreciable. It was with a devoted mind and divine pleasure that the Leo members collected usable clothes, toys etc. for the inmates. The donation of new sarees, dhothis and packets of biscuits by Sreemathy of class XC and 44 new bathing towels by Abilash of class XA were really inspiring acts of kindness.

**TALENT-TIME :** The last period of every Friday is used to nurture the talents of the students in Dramatics, Literary items, Quizzes and Fine Arts. Inter-house competitions are held in various areas. The winners will be honoured with certificates and books in the Third term.

**EXCURSIONS AND FIELD-TRIPS :** A day to be out, to make merry, to learn, to have fun and to have a break from the routine activities...

Class VI	Gandhi Museum
Class VII	Puspha Pipes and Super Polytex Pvt. Ltd.,
Class VIII	Puspha Pipes and Super Polytex Pvt. Ltd.,
Class IX	Rameswaram
Class X & XII	Kodaikanal

The students had fun 'n frolic all the way.

**GELS PROGRAMME :** Our Vice-Principal, Mr.Velvendhan and the teaching-staff Mr.Mariyappan are the trained Course-instructors of GELS (Genius Education Learning Systems). They have started the international Abacus and Brain gym programme in our school. This programme uses traditional abacus methodology from China and the modern brain gym from the USA to develop the learning ability. With this skill the child has better memory, strong concentration and enhanced imagination. It makes learning a



fun activity and results in improved academic performance. This programme is meant for children of the age group between 7 and 13. There are altogether 8 levels; each Level with a duration of 3 months. The 1st batch of our school is going to complete the Second Level.

**SEMINARS and COUNSELLING SESSIONS :** Since we aim at the all round development of the personality of the child, the school takes all the care for a healthy growth of the child. Our Director, Mr. R. Gunaseelan used to conduct small seminars on Leadership training and Career formation for the higher secondary students. Resource persons from outside also used to be invited for these sort of seminars. Our teaching staff also attend enrichment programmes. The workshop on Story Telling conducted by Educational Resources and Information Centre (ERIC) was a good exposure to our English teachers. A few of our faculty members attended the workshop on learning disabilities organised by Resource Centre for Educational Counselling and Guidance of Madurai Institute of Social Sciences. Our Vice-Principal, Mr. Velvendhan conducted a small seminar to brief the teaching staff on learning disabilities (Dyslexia).

### PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

Knowing the child is the very step towards its education and that is the vital role played by the Parent Teacher Meetings. Our school provides access to any parent to any teacher at school during the working hours with a prior appointment. Lunch break and evenings 3.45 to 5 are also the announced timings for the parents. We had the Parent Teacher Meetings for all the classes in December except class X. We always welcome the creative and constructive suggestions from the parents for the welfare of the child. We expect full co-operation from the parents for an effective interaction with teachers.

### RESULTS OF INTER - SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

The students of Senior School have once again proved their mettle through their marvellous performance in various Inter - School Competitions in the Second Term. The results of the various competitions are given below :

#### **Vikaasa Youth Festival - 29.10.2k2-at Vikaasa School**

Sl.No.	Name of the student	Prize	Name of the item
1.	APS. Aseeradhan (IX)	I	Art from Waste
2.	S. Archana (XII)	I	Bharathanatiam
3.	Iswarya S.M (VIII)	III	What's the good word?
4.	Chetna D. Bala	III	V/hat's the good word?

5.	Prem Vignesh (XI)	II	Sherlock Rivals
6.	Zane Saleh Salim (XI)	I	JAM
	Zane Saleh Salim (XI)	II	Ship Wreck
7.	Rajkumar D.K.N. (XI)	II	Dumb Charades
		III	Vikaasa Live
8.	Stephen Bardan (XI)	I	Role Play
		II	Quiz
9.	Abdulla Majid (XI)	I	Role Play
		I	Youth 2k2
		II	Quiz
10.	Harini M. (X)	II	Turn Coat
		III	Vikaasa Live
11.	Karthick A.R (XI)	III	Light Music
12.	Backia Lakshmi (XI)	III	Light Music
13.	Mckenzie (X)	III	Light Music
14.	Annapoorani .P (XI)	III	Light Music
15.	Nishanth J (VIII)	III	Light Music
16.	James .G.A (VIII)	III	Light Music
17.	M. Vishnu (XI)	II	Dumbcharade
	M. Vishnu (XI)	III	Vikaasa Live
18.	Prithvi Shankar (XI)	II	Sherlock Rivals
19.	Hariharan (XI)	III	Light Music
20.	M.S. Pandian (XI)	III	Light Music
21.	M. Saiprasath (IX)	III	Light Music
22.	Prem Vignesh (XI)	III	Vikaasa Live
23.	Raj Durai (XI)	III	Vikaasa Live
24.	Deepika Nathan (X)	III	Vikaasa Live
25.	Shruthi Dheep (X)	III	Vikaasa Live
26.	Janani P. (XI)	III	Vikaasa Live
27.	Sathappan (XI)	III	Vikaasa Live



### Lakshana & Oviya Inter School Competition at VMJ School in Madurai

Sl.	Name of the student	Prize	Name of the item.
1.	A. Akshay Iyengar (IX)	II	Quiz
2.	Ajeey Rathana (IX)	II	Quiz
3.	C.K.P. Vaishali (VII)	II	Bharathanatyam
4.	Surya Prabha (VIII)	II	Painting.

### 14th District Yoga Competition in Jeevana Matric School. Date : 27-10-02 National Level

1.	Vaishnavi Mohan (IX)	II	Yoga
2.	Suraj Sundhara Sankar (IX)	IV	Yoga
3.	C. Alagappan (VIII)	V	Yoga
4.	G. Vinod Boss (IX)	VI	Yoga

\* Vaishnavi (IX) has been selected to participate in National Yoga Competition to be held in Punjab.

\* Mr. Murugesan (Violin Master of our school) has won a prize in this competition.

### State Level

1.	Chella Ganapathy (VI)	II	Yoga
2.	B. Dayalal (VII)	III	Yoga
3.	Vineetha Kumari M.	III	Yoga
4.	V. Sukanya (VI)	VI	Yoga
5.	V. Dinesh (VIII)	IV	Yoga
6.	A. Kaushik (VIII)	IV	Yoga
7.	Sreecharan (VIII)	VI	Yoga
8.	Ramanathan (VIII)	IV	Yoga
9.	Sujitha (VI)	VI	Yoga

**Act-II Popcorn - Colouring and Slogan Competition (conducted last year - but results were received this year - 16-10-2002. Results for (VI - X std)**

Sl.	Name of the Student	Prize	Name of the Item
1.	Vivian Richard (VI)	III	Painting
2.	T.N. Prasanna Kumar (VII)	III	Painting
3.	Vikas Giya (VII)	II	Painting
4.	Harini (VIII)	III	Painting
5.	S. Bharath (X)	III	Painting
6.	Naveen Suresh (X)	I	Painting
7.	Dinesh Babu (X)	III	Painting
8.	Satish Kumar (X)	III	Painting

**MC MAHON MEMORIAL ESSAY AND SHORT STORY WRITING COMPETITION**

1.	Zane Saleh Salim (XI)	I	Essay Writing
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**National Acron IMC Contest - conducted by Fidilite Company (20-11-2k2)**

1.	Nithya Suresh (VIII)	I	Painting
2.	R. Vinodhini (VIII)	II	Painting
3.	S. Vasudha (VI)	III	Painting

**Consolation Prizes**

1.	Vijay Rajaa (VIII)	4.	Sindhu Meena (VIII)
2.	Chetna D. Bala (VIII)	5.	Lakshmi (VIII)
3.	Sundarrajan (VIII)		

**The Yogasana Association conducted Yoga Competitions in Kamraj Kalyana Mandapam, Madurai. (13-10-2k2)**

Sl.	Name of the student	Prize	Name of the item
1.	Chella Ganapathi(VI)	II	Yoga
2.	Vignesh (VI)	II	Yoga



i.	Pitchai Mani (VI)	III	Yoga
i.	Ankur Kothari (VI)	III	Yoga
i.	C. Alagappan (VIII)	VI	Yoga

**Swathi Chess Academy conducted a Chess Competition :-**

1.	Preetha Vadamalayan (VI)	II	Chess
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**Rotary Club conducted Tamil Carnatic Music Competition :-**

1.	C.K.P. Vaishali (VII)	III	Carnatic Music
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**Jain Vidhyalaya, Thirupaalai has conducted a District Level Swimming Competitions. (27-10-2002)**

1.	Vineetha (VIII)	I	25-mtrs Free style
	Vineetha (VIII)	II	25-mtrs Back style
2.	Snehal (IX)	III	25-mtrs Free style
3.	Vineetha (VIII)	I	25-mtrs Butterfly style
4.	Snehal	II	Butterfly Stroke
5.	M.Vineetha (VIII)	I	Butterfly Stroke
6.	Snehal (IX)	I	Relay
7.	Vineetha (VIII)	I	Relay
8.	Lydia (VIII)	I	Relay
9.	Kanika (IX)	I	Relay

\* Vineetha Jain (VIII) won the Individual Championship in this competition.

**ICSE Schools' Regional Sports Meet (conducted in our school) Date : 12-10-2002**

1.	Dinesh Babu (X)	I	Shotput
2.	Srinath (X)	II	Shotput
3.	Rameez Raja (X)	III	Shotput
4.	Rameez Raja (X)	III	100mtrs.

5.	Shrinath (X)	III	800mtrs
6.	Sathyapriya (IX)	III	Shotput
7.	Shruthi Dheep (X)	III	Long Jump
8.	Shruthi Dheep (X)	III	4x100 mts. Relay
9.	Priya (X)	III	4x100 mts. Relay
10.	Nasrinshifa (X)	III	4x100 mts. Relay
11.	Praveena Raichal (X)	III	4x100 mts. Relay
12.	Shrinath	II	4x100 mts. Relay
13.	Aswath	II	4x100 mts. Relay
14.	Dinesh Babu	II	4x100 mts. Relay
15.	Rameez Raja	II	4x100 mts. Relay

**E'Clair 2002 Competition held by the French Literary Association at American College, Madurai (30.11.02)**

***Our school is placed at the II position***

1.	Zane XI	I place	Fashion Parade
2.	Zane XI	II Place	Role Play
3.	Annapoorani XI	II Place	Mime
4.	Saravana XI	III Place	Dance
5.	Titus XI	III Place	Dance
6.	Sathappan XI	III Place	Dance
7.	Mofaz XI	III Place	Dance
8.	Fazil XI	III Place	Dance
9.	Raja Mohammed XI	III Place	Dance
10.	Raichel XI	II Place	Mime



11. Abdulla Majid XI	II Place	Role Play
12. Akib XI	II Place	Role Play
13. Akib XI	II Place	Mime
14. R.Y. Prasanna XI	II Place	Mime

### JEEVANA CRICKET TEAM & THEIR ACHIEVEMENT

#### TEAM MEMBERS

- |                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Stephen Baradhan XI | 8. Rakesh X             |
| 2. Saravanan XI        | 9. Sivadharan XI        |
| 3. Aravindh XI         | 10. Dheeban Shanmugam X |
| 4. Akib XI             | 11. S.M.K. Arun IX      |
| 5. R.N. Niranjan XII   | 12. Sundarrajan VII     |
| 6. M.S.P.K. Arun XII   | 13. Mofaz XI            |
| 7. Praveen Jain XII    | 14. Prasanna. R XI      |

#### *Match 1 Sethupathy School Vs Jeevana*

Jeevana : 123/6 (20 overs)

Sethupathy : 108

'SMK Arun 4 Wickets.

JEEVANA WON BY 15 RUNS.

#### *Match 2 : Jeevana Vs CSR School*

Stephen Baradhan 103

Rakesh 59

JEEVANA WON THE MATCH (BY RUN RATE)

KUDOS TO THE TEAM MEMBERS AND THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHERS!

## News from the Visalakshipuram Section

We all came back after the vacation ready to take on all the fun of learning along with our extra activities.

Our children soon stepped into competitions. The first event was the Hindi Mela at the S.B.O.A. School at Nagamalai, and the winners were:-

- 1) Sanjay Krishna of Class I who won the I-Prize in Identifying the objects.
- 2) Krithika Prasad of Class II won the I-Prize in Picture Talk.

*Congrats darlings!! You did well.*

On the 25th and 26th of October, our Jeevanites went to Vikaasa for the 'Youth Festival' Competitions and the proud winners were :-

- 1) Dwarak Sampathkumar of Class VI who bagged the I-Prize in English Elocution Competition.
- 2) Tarun Kesav of Class I stole the I-Prize in Story Telling.
- 3) M. Natarajan of Class V got the I-Prize in Clay Modelling.

*We are very proud of you Darlings!*

On the 2nd of November 2002 again we went to VMJ School for various competitions conducted under the banner of 'Lakshana'.

### The winners were :

1. Monisha Mohan bagged the III-Prize in Bharatanatyam.
2. Sudharshan of Class III got the III-Prize for Light Music.
3. Dwarak Sampathkumar of Class VI stole the I-Prize in Elocution Competition.
4. S. Deivanai of Class I got the I-Prize for Crayon Rubbing.
5. Sanjay Krishna of Class I got the I-Prize for Story Telling.

*Congratulations!!*



Following children were selected for the Geeta Chanting final level :

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|--------------------------------|---|---------|
| ) N. Nirmalja of UKG           | : | Group-A |
| ) G.S. Hariharakrishnan of UKG | : | Group-A |
| ) S. Naveen of class I         | : | Group-A |
| ) Sri Lakshmi of class IV      | : | Group-B |

Jeevana is proud to have a budding carnatic singer who is none other than **R. Sudharshan** of class III received a title and shield "Valarum Isai Kalaingar" by Bharathi Yuva Kendra - Madurai.

*prats Sudharsan! May God's Blessing be with you always.*

On the 9th November we took classes III & IV on a one-day study trip to Tuticorin which the children enjoyed so much. They went to the Fisheries and learnt about various fishes. They saw how salt was made. / visited the Harbour and also went for a short trip in the ship.

On the 16th November 2002 the Nursery section from Visalakshipuram went for a number of competitions conducted by the SBOA School.

Here we have 1) **Manisha A** of UKG who bagged the I-prize for Quotable Quotes. This darling little quoted 43 proverbs in 3 minutes Wow! That was really great my pet! 2) **N. Nirmaya** of UKG got the prize in rhymes.

Some of our Jeevanites went to Mahatma Montessori School for a number of competitions and there they bagged a few prizes.

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|--------------------------|---|
| 1) Story Telling         | - <b>A.Joel Aswin</b> of class I secured the II-prize.    |
| 2) Tip-a-Toe             | - <b>Krithika Prasad</b> of class II got the I-prize      |
| 3) Draw and colour Burst | - <b>S. Deivanai</b> of class I bagged the III-prize.     |
| 4) Vegetable Carving     | - <b>Monika Mohanlal</b> of class III stole the II-prize. |

As for our Little **Priyadharshan** of Class IV the Chess Player of Jeevana, he won the IV Prize in Under 11 Boys at Tirupur. At Aruppukottai he was placed 19th and won the VII Prize for Boys under - 11. Again this little chess player is going to participate in the Nationals Under - 9 Championship to be held at Lucknow the month of December 2002. We feel very proud to tell you that **Priyadharshan** takes the privilege of becoming INDIA's SECOND YOUNGEST FIDE - RATED PLAYER with a rating of 1975. He is the first in Tamil Nadu and Madurai at the very young age of 8. Priyadharshan's tiny hands earned some money and out of that he presented a small memento "THE LOST WORLD" a book for the school library. We were very thrilled to note the boy's magnanimous attitude to his school.

In Swimming we have **Parthasarathy Prasanna** of class VII who bagged the III prize in Free style and II-prize in Back stroke. This competition was conducted by Jain Vidyalaya.

Our young Jeevanites also went for various competitions organised by the Rotary Madurai Book Fair and won a few prizes. We had **Sundar Shankar** of UKG winning a consolation prize in Fancy Dress.

Monika Mohanlal won a consolation prize in Embroidary. In Drawing and Colouring Competition, A.N.Sethuraman won a consolation prize. We also had eight of our beautiful dancers who entered for the Folk Dance competition and won consolation prizes. They were R. Aruna, LPR Sneaha, Monisha Mohan, Aarthi Bala Ganesh, G.Gayathri, Tharini Divakar, Atifa Hilal and A. Mekala.

Our darling children entered the Acron IMQ Contest and the drawings of Zubaida of class IV, J.Palaniappan of class IV and Fenny Oliver of Class V were selected and they were asked to see a famous movie called "Stuart Little 2" which the children enjoyed very much.

It'd been a term of challenges and our Jeevanites went all the way through not leaving any stone unturned.

To add colour and excitement we had the festivals being celebrated at School. The first was Diwali where the babies did a live kolu and the celebration that followed was just too good.

Then came Children's Day where we had a lot of competitions for the children and they really did show off their talents. They did so well bringing out all their novel, creative ideas which made us feel very proud of our darling children. We involved a number of parents who came in as judges and they were also so happy and thrilled to see the little minds and hands do such wonderful work.

*We wish our darling children all the best in whatever they do, and congrats once more to our proud winners of the various competitions.*

Mrs. J. Demonte

Headmistress, Visalakshipuram.

## PONMENI JUNIOR SECTION

Generally parents complain that children are spending more time in front of TV. As a result their assessment performance is not up to the mark. When interacted with the parents we came to know that though they go for outside tuitions, they are not doing well in studies. Hence we suggested to the parents that their children need not be sent to inexperienced and underqualified teachers for tuitions. They were also told to restrict the time spent by their children on watching Television.

To achieve academic excellence students must recite the tables up to 16 every morning. To avoid careless mistakes in Maths, students must do a few sums that are taught that day. Loud reading must be done everyday. They must listen to cassettes to improve their accent in reading. We are doing a lot of extra English in school like reading magazines, doing picture composition, answering comprehension passages, creative writing etc. Parent should check the child's diary daily.

This term our students had their study trips which enabled them to gain more knowledge and have a lot of fun. Class III Students were taken on a field trip to 'SUNLEE' soap factory. Here they observed the various processes involved in the manufacture of soap. Class IV Students were taken to Alagar Koil. There they learnt more about the arboreal adaptation, enjoyed the fun of climbing up the hill in a bus and observed the beauty of Nature. Class V Students visited the Post Office and the Airport. In the Post Office, an official took the Children to the various sections and showed the functioning of each section, the facilities of the Computer, how to send money order etc. In the airport they watched the landing and the taking off of the plane. The trip was highly informative. On 14th December the Students of Classes III, IV and V went on a one-day Educational tour to Tuticorin, Ettayapuram, Carpet Island, Harbour, Tiruchandur Temple etc.

Mrs. Vijaya Rajeswari

Headmistress - Class III to V (Ponmeni)



## PONMENI JUNIOR SECTION (Class III to V)

### Results of the Inter School Competitions

We are proud to introduce our young artists and literary persons who brought home laurels.

1. Vocal Competition conducted by TAMIL ISAI SANGAM  
Sumithra, IV Std. I-prize
2. Vocal Competition conducted by VIKASA SCHOOL  
Sumithra, IV Std I-prize
3. Vocal Competition conducted by VMJ SCHOOL  
Sumithra, IV Std I-prize
4. Clay Modelling conducted by AYYA NADAR SCHOOL  
Vicky Mohan, III std., III-prize
5. Asian Paints Competition :  
Paper work : Vaishnavi, III-std III-prize  
Clay Modelling : Vicky Mohan, III-std II-prize  
Dennison, III-std Consolation prize  
Vegetable Carving : B. Gowtham, V-std. I-prize  
Cartoon Drawing : Amrithvel, V-std Consolation prize
6. Memory Testing Competition by JEYARAJ NADAR SCHOOL
7. Yoga Competition conducted by Yoga association  
State level : P. Viswanathan I-prize  
Rashmika IV-std III-prize  
National level : Adithya IV-prize  
K. Palaniappan VI-prize
8. Swimming competition : conducted by Jain Vidhyalaya  
25Mts. Free style : Rahul Siddharth V-std I-prize

	Kunjan Burad V-std	III-prize
	D. Niveditha V-std	II-prize
25Mts Back stroke :	Rahul Siddharth	I-prize
	D. Niveditha	II-prize
9. IMQ Colouring Contest (Selected candidates)		
1. V. Vignesh,	V-std	III-prize
2. Nithyakalyani,	V std	II-prize
3. Abisheka Priyan,	III std	I-prize
Consolation :	1. Balakumaran, IV-B	
	2. J. Meenakshi IV-A	
	3. A. Amirthvel V-A	

10. *Disney Ulagam (Selected Candidates)*

1. Arun Kishore	V std
2. Bala Yogesh	IV std
3. Farheen	III std

11. *District level Amateur Chess Tournament conducted by Stouthi Chess Academy**Under 8 boys Category*

Dennison David	III Std	IV Place
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**United Yoga Association conducted a Yoga competition on 13th Oct.**

1. Aditha Kumaran (V)	I	YOGA
2. Palaniappan (IV)	II	YOGA
3. Laxmanan (IV)	V	YOGA

\*S. Meenakshi (III std) won first prize in Memory Testing Competition held in Jeyaraj Nadar School.

**Act-II Popcorn - Painting competition**

1. Senthil nathan (V)	I	Painting
2. Bala Vignesh (V)	II	Painting
3. Shruthi (IV)	III	Painting

*Congratulations to all the Winners!! We are proud of you!*



## A Word of Appreciation

Mrs. Mini Mohan, mother of Vicky Mohan of Class III gave the season's gifts to all the members of the staff in the Junior School Ponmeni and also to all the students of her son's class. We appreciate her thoughtful gesture.

## Ponmeni Junior Section

During the Second Term we had quite a few of our Interclass Competitions. Parents were the judges for all the competitions.

I request the parents to encourage their wards to participate in all the competitions. More children could come forward to tell stories, rhymes, sing songs and play musical instruments in the school. During assembly time we have these programmes for 15 minutes. Children can utilize that time to exhibit their skills. We train them to face an audience and a mike. This is a good opportunity for us to prepare them for outside competitions.

We had our Diwali Celebration on the 1st of November. Our children exchanged sweets among themselves. The programme was short and sweet. Children in their best dress added colour to Diwali.

We celebrated Children's day on November 14th. Our teachers entertained the children. They were happy to see their teachers act and play on the stage. It was their day and they were bubbling with joy the whole day. The tiny tots of KG took part in Fancy Dress Competition. Children of std I and II took part in Memory game. The whole afternoon we had party games for the staff and heads.

Most of the home work is finished in the school. We request the parents to encourage their wards to watch TV channels like National Geographic, Discovery and Animal Planet. Please make them read library books also.

**N. Rajalakshmi**

Headmistress

Ponmeni Junior Section

(Pre-school to Std II)

## RESULTS OF COMPETITIONS

KG to II Std. Result

We are extremely happy and proud to introduce the budding artists and literary persons of Jeevana Junior most section.

**Ponmeni Junior Section****Inter School Competition Results**

1. *Fancy Dress Competition : Conducted by ROTARY BOOK FAIR in Madittisia Hall*  
S. CATHERINE TABITHA - L.K.G 'A' III-Prize
2. *Inter School Competition : Nagamalai Arivu Sudar 2002*  
Crayon Rubbing : M. ABRAHAM PRAGASAM - U.K.G. III-Prize
3. *Charishma Competition : Conducted by M.R.R.Ayya Nadar Jeyalakshmi Ammal School*  
Story Telling : M.PRAGADEESH - I Std I-Prize  
English Recitation : S.R.AKSHAY KUMAR III-Prize
4. *"Lakshna" Competition : Conducted by V.M.J. Higher Secondary School*  
Story Telling : M. PRAGADEESH - I STD III-Prize
5. *Asian Paints Competition : Clay Modelling:*  
U. NIVEDA III-Prize  
SOORAJ K.VEL Consolation prize
6. *Jeyaraj Nadar Anna Packiam School :*  
Story Telling : M. PRAGADEESH - I STD I-Prize
7. *Geeta Chanting Competition : Conducted by CHINMAYA MISSION*  
*Children selected for District Level.*

1. B. Deepika	-	I std
2. P. Vijaya Nandhini	-	I std
3. Akshara Kannan	-	I std
4. Krishna Sundar	-	I std
5. R. Mahesh	-	II std
6. S.R. Aksay Kumar	-	II std
7. V. Harish	-	II std
8. R. Senbagaraman	-	II std
9. R. Varshini	-	II std



**8. ACRON STUART LITTLE 2 INTER CLASS ART COMPETITION**

Aksheetha Menon	-	II std	I-prize
R. Shyam Annamalai	-	II std	II-prize
V. Swetha	-	I std	III-prize

**9. S.B.O.A. SCHOOL COMPETITION :**

S. CATHERINE TABITHA LKG won I-Prize in Fancy Dress Competition.

**Results for (L.K.G. - II std)**

1.	Harshini (L.K.G.)	I	Painting
2.	Vijay kumar (I)	III	Painting
3.	Thirupura Sundari (I)	I	Painting
4.	Kesava Rajkumar (I)	III	Painting
5.	Srinidhi (U.K.G.)	II	Painting
5.	Seethalakshmi (II)	III	Painting

**Nestle Junior Fancy Dress Competition Date : 22-10-2002**

1.	Catherine Tabitha (L.K.G.)	I	Fancy Dress
2.	Jai Shyam (L.K.G.)	II	Fancy Dress
3.	Kailash (L.K.G.)	III	Fancy Dress

**Rotary Book Fair Competition Results**

1.	Catherine Tabitha (L.K.G.)	III	Fancy Dress
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**Arivu Sudar 2k2**

1.	Abraham (U.K.G.)	III	Crayon Rubbing
2.	Pragadeesh (I)	I	Story Telling

*Congratulations to all the Winners!! We are proud of you!*

## A UNIQUE SCHOOL - JEEVANA

It's a great pleasure for me to state that Jeevana school has a remarkable record in providing a well disciplined education to the students. Children of Jeevana experience the affection, security, support, guidance and friendship in the company of the teachers. It is the only school which has a cordial relationship between the teachers and the parents.

Every child is born with some characteristics. Through out the year there are many events conducted by the school. The school exposes each child to show his/her talents, which enables us to know about the hidden skills of the child. To add more excitement, the parents are requested to come as judges for the competitions. Apart from the school tests the students are sent to various talent exams which help them acquire more knowledge and also build self confidence. It has also provided a Multimedia which makes the learning very interesting.

The school is doing a great job in motivating the students to involve themselves in extra curricular activities like Karate, Yoga, Swimming etc. and even guides the parents to make their children participate in various external competitions.

Encouraging the children to write articles in the News letter makes the language attractive and their General knowledge improves. It is a great joy to the students to see their name published in the magazine.

Speeches like extempore, elocution etc give confidence to the students and help them develop the skill in Public speaking.

Mrs.Demonte wants Jeevana to be a leader in education, experimenting with new and innovative ideas.

Jeevana is one of the best schools, and is a place where learning is fun. Every student is really happy.

Mrs. Dhanumathi Prasad

M/o.Monisha Prasad [STD VI]

Kriithika Prasad [STD II]

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## ATTENTION PARENTS

The School Diary is the most effective means to bridge the gap between the Parent and the School since it gives you information about the classes taken, home-work given, Tests & Examinations results, Circular details, Library books taken, special notes from teachers, portions for the exam etc. There is a tremendous improvement in the response of parents through diary. We request the parents to continue the checking of the diary regularly and to be aware of your child's performance and progress in the school.

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## A WORD OF APPRECIATION

We appreciate Mrs. Uma Kannan, mother of Hari Thiagarajan (IX C) for her generous act of contributing over 350 books and magazines to the school library. The students and the teachers will enjoy reading them. Her magnanimity in contributing 25 video cassettes to the school is really appreciable.



12TH WINNING ELOCUTION IN THE VIKASA YOUTH FESTIVAL**Role of Youth in India**

Tall neck breaking buildings, beautiful roads, zero garbage, trees and greenery everywhere.....No, I am not talking about Singapore. As a youth, this is the India I dream of in the future.

Respected Judges and my dear friends, a very good morning to all of you. It gives me great pleasure to be here to share my thoughts with you on the topic of Role of Youth in India.

It is with a deep sense of Nostalgia that I think of Gandhi and Nehru at this point. Both of them dedicated their lives for India's independence and its progress and somehow their dream of a united India has not come by.

The problem faced by India is not one but many. Corruption, Red tapism, Caste differences, Student unrest, thirst for power, terrorism, poverty, illiteracy, over population...

Friends, the list is endless.

What has happened to our glorious heritage that we once boasted of? Vivekananda awakened the youth by saying "Your prosperity is in your hands. Arise! Awake! Stop not till the goal is reached."

Many leaders have time and again mentioned "Youth are the future of India". Friends! Yes, You and I have a great responsibility in bringing back to our motherland its glory. Our renowned President Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam spends a lot of his valuable time with the youth giving them advice for in the youth he sees the future of India. Our President has very rightly pointed out that two people are important in moulding a child. One, the child's parents, and second, the teacher. As youth we spend most of our time either at home or at schools and colleges.

I sincerely feel, at schools and colleges we must be constantly taught the moral values of honesty, integrity and patriotism. LIFE must be given to the statement 'All Indians are my brothers and sisters'. Parents and teachers must point out that castes are not important but human beings are. With proper guidance from Parents and teachers I strongly feel that we will have many more reincarnations of Kamarajars, Rajagopalacharis, Radhakrishnans, Nehrus and Gandhis. Education is very important for the youth of any Nation. Most of our leaders were well educated. Nehru, Gandhiji did law, Radhakrishnan did MA, Subash Chandra Bose did BA.

The situation is very different now. Most of our leaders today are not educated and any Tom, Dick and Harry becomes a leader. This is an important reason for India's set back.

We the youth of India must study well and learn the values of honesty, integrity and patriotism. We must do it to make India an honoured nation. We must use education as a tool to eradicate poverty and ignorance. As youth we must realize that villages are the life line of our country. We must do all we can to help people in the village.

India is a diverse country. Different religions coexist, different languages are spoken; food differs from place to place and so does the dress code. As youth we must safeguard India's rich heritage and glorious past.

Friends, let us unite to make India a stronger, cleaner and more vibrant personality in the world arena. Let us rethink and revolve our goals and prepare for a glorious tomorrow.

Let me end with a few lines from Tagore's Gitanjali.

*"Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high  
Where knowledge is free  
Where the world is not broken up  
Where the words come out from the depth of truth  
In to that heaven of freedom My father  
Let my country awake!*

Thank you.

**S. DWARAK - 1st Prize Winner**  
6th Std - VSP

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## A DAY'S OUT

We went on an educational trip to Tuticorin. Classes III and IV children went on the trip. We started our journey around 5.30 AM after a small prayer. The bus was a video coach and it was very comfortable for us. Our Mam and the teachers took care of us very well. We went to the birth place of Bharathi at Ettayapuram. Then we went to Panchalakuruchi where Virapandia kattabomman was hanged. There is a temple for him.

We reached the harbour at 12.00 noon. The harbour was very busy. We saw the Bay of Bengal sea. We went on the Indra Gandhi ship for sometime. On the way to the harbour we saw the salt pans, Thermal power station and many big factories. We saw pilot ships and station. Then at last we went to the fisheries. we saw how Bacteria are grown. We sang and danced. We collected shells. We started for Madurai and reached at 10.00 PM safely. I thank my teachers and Mam for this nice educational trip. What a wonderful trip it was!

**J. Palaniappan**  
IV- 'A'  
Jeevana VSP



## CHILDREN'S DAY

"Children are the hope of the future, builders of tomorrow" No wonder children have taken such a primordial place in Chacha Nehru's heart. 14 November is hence popularly celebrated as Children's Day.

A number of important days are celebrated in a very fitting manner at Jeevana school Children's day is one of these celebrations. Jeevana is a child centered school and it goes to prove that now and again.

The Junior School celebrations took off with an introductory address by the gracious head mistress Mrs. Vijaya Gunaseelan. The junior school teachers of Jeevana thrilled the kids to bits and brought the house down with their song and dance sequence led by the very efficient Mrs. Mala Rajagopalan.

Well, next on the agenda was the much awaited Fancy Dress Competition for the K.G. Kids-Pre K.G., L.K.G. & U.K.G.,

What a bundle of joy they were indeed! Each participant was a delight to watch. I am sure the other Judges on panel will agree with me when I say it was a tough task ahead of us when asked to make our choices. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the parents for their active participation, co-operations & involvement.

Undeniably what most impedes mental progress in children is the constant dispersion of their thoughts. It depends on the ingenuity of the educator to help the child become capable of sustained effort of attention & complete absorption in the work in hand.

Memory game was one of those wonderful games played later on by the kids of I & II std. Around 20 objects were placed on the table. The children were asked to observe those object for a few minutes and then recollect them. Such games definitely appealed to the children and sure will help to educate them selves and develop their own intellectual practical capabilities and grow more freely & not be kneaded & pressurised in to inert plastic material.

Well, the whole day was a perfect blend of fun and substance and everyone-be it the participant, winners, teachers or the parents, all went home with stars in their eyes.

"The interest of the students is proportionate to the true capacity of the teacher". THE MOTHER.

Teachers, I believe could touch the lives of the children under care to such an extent that they can cause a rippling effect. Miss. Raja Lakshmi (Head Mistress), Mrs. Deborah (Co-ordinator) along with other junior section teaching staff are doing such a wonderful job that I take this opportunity on behalf of all the parents to sincerely thank them for all their efforts.

**Anuradha Venkataraman**

Parent of Pooja Venkataraman II std  
Akash Venkataraman UKG.

## A Great Day!

The great day dawned; the 12th of Oct, the day our school was hosting the ICSE Schools' Sports Meet. Decked with fluttering flags and festoons, the school - campus was really inviting!! The moment I stepped in, my heart leaped with excitement! A sense of ecstasy swept through me. To add to my joy was the fact that I was doing the compering. The Chief Guest declared the Sports meet open. The participating schools presented a perfectly synchronised parade which left us speechless!! The much awaited track and field events began with a bang!! Tensions were running high. Students from various schools displayed a scintillating performance showing their prowess in each event! The audience was breathless!! By the time the meet came to a close, we were exhausted. The Prizes were distributed to the winners by our beloved Chairman, Mr. Iyengar, the man behind the whole show!! Keswick Public School was the proud victor which bagged the Shield much to the appreciation of people. Jeevana, as the host school, was praised for its planned organisation. A day that raised Jeevana to the peak of its glory, an unforgettable day, indeed!!

M. Hariny - X B

## Children's Day Celebrations

November 14th every year is celebrated as Chacha Nehruji's birthday. This day is also celebrated as Children's Day because Chachaji had great affection towards children.

We, the students of Jeevana, Ponmeni, Junior School celebrated Children's Day in a very grand manner. The day was pleasant with mild showers and sunshine as a small child's laughter was.

The celebrations started with the prayer song, sung by the teachers of Jeevana Junior School. The welcome address was given by the Headmistress. In her address she highlighted the good relationship maintained among the teachers, students and the parents of the school.

The entertainment programme started with the teachers dance. Next came the Fancy Dress Competition in which children of Pre KG., LKG., and UKG., participated. These children were dressed up like Nehruji, Swami Vivekananda, Adi Sankara and other patriots. The modern Ladybird, Madisarmami, Circus Clown, and Rubik's cube paraded on the stage.

Then came the lunch hour. After the lunch, the entertainment continued with games like lucky corner for the children. This was followed by a skit by teachers enacting the story of "Akbar and Birbal". To keep the children in a mood of laughter, a comedy show named 'Cinema, Cinema' was also presented by another group of teachers.

To conclude a Film song highlighting the affection of a child was sung by yet another set of teachers. Last but not the least the entire programme and the unforgettable sweet memorable day, ended with the distribution of sweets by the teachers to the children of Jeevana Junior School.

"OH WHAT A PLEASANT DAY IT WAS!"

T.V. Venkateswaran  
Class V-B (Junior School-Ponmeni)



## ஜீவனாவின் வளரும் கவிகள்

### என் உயிர் தாயே,

என் கலாசாலம் நீயே,  
 உபசாரம் நீயே,  
 என்னை கருவறையுதல்  
 ஸ்லாசியரை காத்து கரையேற்றினாய் நீயே,  
 என்னை வெண்ணையும் நீயே,  
 கவிதை தன்மையும் நீயே,  
 தக்கனின் வண்ணமும் நீயே,  
 எங்கள் அன்னையும் நீயே,  
 நயனின் குரலும் நீயே,  
 மயிலின் ஆட்டமும் நீயே,  
 வானத்தின் எல்லையும் நீயே,  
 மூளத்தின் முடிவும் நீயே,  
 அழகம் நீயே,  
 அறிவும் நீயே,  
 அன்பும் நீயே,  
 அறிவும் நீயே,  
 தாயே உன்னை வணங்குகிறோம்!  
 தமிழ்த்தாயே உன்னை வணங்குகிறோம்!!  
 என் உயிரே உன்னை வணங்குகிறோம்!!

மு. மகேந்திர IX B

### மனிதனே திரும்பிப்பார்

கடத்து வந்த பாதையை திரும்பிப்பார்  
 நல்லது கெட்டது தெரியும்.  
 தொலைத்து போன சமாதானத்தைத் தேடிப்பார்  
 நியாயம் அநியாயம் தெரியும்.  
 கலைத்து போன கலாச்சாரத்தைத் திரும்பிப்  
 பார்  
 தரம் தரமின்மை தெரியும்.  
 குலைத்து போன சமுதாயத்தை சீர்தூக்கிப்பார்  
 நிபுணர்கள் நிழல்கள் தெரியும்.  
 சிதைத்து போன தேசத்தைத் திரும்பிப்பார்  
 உயரவும் உயர்த்தவும் தெரியும்.  
 மனிதா சிவலறையாகிப் போன மனிதநேயம்  
 கல்லறையாகி விட்டால்?  
 இனி,  
 கருவறையிலேயே போதிப்பதைத் தவிர  
 வேறு வழி உண்டோ?

Niranjan. S. Kumar XII A

### மனித நேயம்

மறை இல்லையேல்  
 விண்ணுக்கும் மண்ணுக்கும்  
 ஏது உறவு  
 அலை இல்லையேல்  
 கடலுக்கும், கரைக்கும்  
 ஏது உறவு  
 தமிழ் இல்லையேல்  
 தமிழ் நாட்டுக்கும் தமிழ் மக்களுக்கும்  
 ஏது உறவு  
 பூக்கள் இல்லையேல்  
 பூத்திருக்கும் செடிக்கும் வண்டிற்கும்  
 ஏது உறவு  
 மனித நேயம் இல்லையேல்  
 மனிதனுக்கும் அன்பிற்கும்  
 ஏது உறவு

S. Niranjan  
 XII A

### இறைவன்

கண்ணிலும் கருத்திலும் திறையும் என் இறைவா  
 எண்ணிலும் எழுத்திலும் உதிக்கும் என் இறைவா  
 மறுமையும் இம்மையும் போக்கும் என் இறைவா  
 கருணையும் அருளையும் தரும் என் இறைவா  
 இத்தனையும் தந்தென்னைக் காக்கும் என் இறைவா  
 எத்தனை கோடிநீர் சொல்லிட என் இறைவா

G. Santhosh Kumar,  
 XII 'B'

### पहेलियाँ - Riddles

1. ना मैं जलता हूँ,  
ना मैं दौड़ता हूँ,  
फिर भी तुम्हारा जीवन  
जलाता हूँ ।  
कौन हूँ मैं ?
2. गिरने पर भी टूटता नहीं,  
जलाने पर भी जलता नहीं,  
और दुनिया में, मैं हूँ  
सबसे कीमती चीज़ ।  
कौन हूँ मैं ?
3. मेरे घर के बाहर निकलने  
से होती है रात,  
तुम्हारे उठने से पहले मैं  
हो जाता हूँ गायब ।  
ना तुम मुझे पकड़ सकते हो,  
और ना ही धू सकते हो ।  
बताओ कौन हूँ मैं ?
4. चार पहियों पर  
चलता हूँ,  
तुम्हें जगह - जगह  
घुमाता हूँ ।  
तो, कौन हूँ मैं ?

पहेलियों के उत्तर :

- |         |         |
|---------|---------|
| 1. पेड़ | 2. हीरा |
| 3. चाँद | 4. बस   |

### कविता

#### हे भारतीय !

हे भारतीय ! तुम में है दम,  
बस तुम आगे बढ़ते जाओ ।  
तूफान आए, आँधी आए,  
अपने देश तुम खुशियाँ लाओ ।

हे भारतीय ! हिलना ना तुम,  
अपने निश्चय पर डटे रहना ।  
मुश्किल आए, कठिनाई आए,  
अपने देश का नाम रोशन करना ।

हे भारतीय ! तुम हो समझदार  
आपस में तुम कभी ना झगड़ना ।  
बिजली खड़के, बारिश आए,  
हमेशा तुम मिल - झुल के रहना ।

हे भारतीय ! तुम में है दम,  
उम्मीद को साकार करने का ।  
भारत हरदम आगे रहे,  
यह सपना है हर भारतीय का ।

हे भारतीय ! तुम में है दम,  
बस भारतीय ! तुम बढ़ते जाओ ।  
तूफान आए, आँधी आए,  
अपने देश तुम खुशियाँ लाओ ॥

चेतना डी.बल्ला  
अठवी 'बी'



## The Young Poets of Jeevana

### School Rules

Be to school just in time,  
 For prayer in a line  
 Not throw paper on the  
 ground,  
 Be quiet, don't make a sound.  
 Be to school clean and neat,  
 With all your teachers whom you meet.  
 Do your home work every day,  
 In your class you must not play.  
 Now, Follow, every rule,  
 If you want to be in the school.

Monisha Mohan  
 VII std VSP

### My Dreams

Though the sky is so high and blue,  
 I've tried to stick all the clouds to it with glue.  
 Though the fire is so hot and real,  
 I've tried to prevent its spread.  
 Though the sea is so cool and deep,  
 I've tried to measure its depth just with a peep.  
 Though the breeze is so pleasant and calm,  
 I've tried to hold it with my palm.  
 Though our motherland is so beautiful and green,  
 I've tried to make her clean.  
 Though all the events are my imagination,  
 I've tried to console my mind for my satisfaction.

S. Surya  
 VI-C Senior School

### The Bat

One day I saw a bat,  
 Started hitting it with my cricket bat,  
 It flew near my lap,  
 I wanted to give it a slap.  
 As it flew,  
 I dropped my glue;  
 It flew high,  
 I wanted to cry.  
 My brother watched  
 As it broke my watch;  
 He chased it out  
 And said "GET OUT".

Gautham Rajan  
 VI std, VSP

### Beautiful Drops!!

Welcome rain! Welcome rain!  
 I want to play with you.  
 I will make you paper boats  
 And carry my pink umbrella too.  
 I love to hear the sound of you  
 And watch the colourful rainbow too.  
 But here you are needed the most  
 As people want water to drink  
 Farmers need you for their crops  
 Do come quickly beautiful drops.

M. Parkavi  
 VI A (Senior School)

You must first have a lot of patience to learn to have patience.

## *The Young Poets of Jeevana*

### My Dream

Once I had a dream  
That I was in a stream;  
The sun shone brightly,  
The Pastures were lovely  
The water, gushed out  
And the flowers smiled.  
When I rode towards the horizon  
Eating my favourite cake,  
I heard my mother's voice 'Wake up'  
For it was morning.

Priyadarshini  
(VII) VSP

### Prayer

What is a prayer?  
To invoke the Almighty  
Or reciting a mantra  
or a few songs in praise of God?  
These meaningless acts are not  
Prayer in the real sense.  
Even if its just a few  
Ordinary words,  
It should be heartfelt,  
Something that comes from within you,  
Something that links you  
And makes you feel one with the creator.  
A word of solace;  
A word of praise;  
A word of fulfilment  
Is prayer in the true sense

R.M. Gayathri VI-C - Senior School

### SCIENCE PROJECT

We are proud to inform that our students both in Junior and Senior categories won the I Prize in the National Children's Science Congress 2002 in the district level conducted by the Tamil Nadu Science Forum. The team members are the following.

#### Senior Category

- |    |              |                   |
|----|--------------|-------------------|
| 1. | R. Kithika   | XI-A group leader |
| 2. | S. Reha      | XI-A              |
| 3. | S. Nausath   | XI-A              |
| 4. | S. Subapriya | XI-A              |
| 5. | M. Nithya    | XI-A              |

**Project : "LOW COST GREEN HOUSE TYPE  
NATURAL AIR FLOW SOLAR DRYER"**

#### Junior Category

- |    |                  |                   |
|----|------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | G. Anand         | VIII group leader |
| 2. | Sundara Rajan    | VIII              |
| 3. | S. Pranesh       | VIII              |
| 4. | Bala Subramanian | VIII              |
| 5. | G. James         | VIII              |

**Project : "COIR WASTE AS A SOIL SUBSTRATE"**



A demo by the young scientist  
of our Senior Category

Both the teams will be now presenting their projects in the State level. Kudos to the Winners and Ms. Suriya Devi the guide teacher!



## Should teenagers be controlled by elders?

"Mom, I am going to my friend's house and I will be back soon." screams a young and bubbly teenager, as he steps out of his house. The Mom doesn't know where he is going, what he will be doing there, or when he will be back. The adolescent, rather than asking if he can go, just informs that he is going, which the parents find difficult to accept. The youngster feels he is mature enough to take decisions on his own, whereas the parents think he is still too young to do things on his own. This is where both the generations do not get along and a generation gap is created. It is here where a middle ground should be formed. The child should be let free, yet should be under the grasp of the parents. The child, if he wants to go out, should ask the parents and the parents in turn should understand if it is a genuine request and then allow them to go. The child should tell the parents the approximate time when he will be back. If this understanding is maintained in the family, then there would be no case of any sort of problem faced by them. The youngster should be given their right of freedom, but they shouldn't take advantage of the freedom gifted to them. Just the same, the children should obey their parents and listen to them. Only when they obey their parent's words during study hour or other times, will the parents gain confidence in the child and give him the freedom to enjoy his adolescence. The child should be very responsible and should not stray from their study and fun oriented life.

Once when the parents and the adolescents do not adjust with each other, it fruits in very damaging and disastrous results. It takes efforts from both the worlds in order to maintain the equilibrium in their lives. So, the elders should understand the active mind of the young adolescence and allow them their freedom, yet, should keep them under their grasp.

by

Shruti Dheep, X-B

## Are you the Parent of a Teenager?

A survey was conducted among the parents of Class XI students with 3 questions. The following were the responses from Parents.

- Questions : 1. What do you appreciate the most about your child?
2. What disturbs you the most about your child?
3. How do you solve / handle it?

Response : I appreciate my child's interest in studies and music, faith in God and promptness in 5 o'clock morning prayer.  
I am very much disturbed at her reluctance to take food and also preference to selective food items.  
I make a positive approach by counseling and giving rewards.

- Response : His politeness and respect to the elders is really appreciable.  
His studies disturbs me a lot.  
I make a close follow-up on his studies and give timely help and advice.
- Response : I appreciate her studious nature.  
I get terribly disturbed seeing my child confined to the television.  
I go on advising her.
- Response : My daughter's respect for elders and her sociable nature are really pleasing to me.  
Her stubborn nature disturbs me.  
I take her adamant nature in a light way and advise her not to be like that.
- Response : I appreciate her perfection and punctuality in discharging her duties.  
My daughter's love to listen to music and watch video cassettes are the difficulties I am having about her.  
I counsel her on the importance of time management and encourage her to keep up the perfection and punctuality in her work.
- Response : I appreciate my son's hardworking nature and sincerity in studies.  
He has to be compelled a lot to take nutritious food.  
Though I tried a lot I couldn't solve it.
- Response : I appreciate my daughter's hardworking nature and desire to attain perfection.  
Her slow-eating habit, indifferent attitude and lack of time- management disturb me.  
I go on talking to her and helping her to a certain extent.
- Response : His disciplined and obedient nature.  
His careless attitude disturbs me.  
We hope he himself will manage the problem.
- Response : His kindness towards everyone.  
His laziness worries me a lot.  
I manage him with words of love and kindness.
- Response : I am happy to see my son becoming more responsible.  
His anger/short tempered nature disturbs me.  
By continuous counseling.
- Response : His good behaviour and frank nature is appreciated.  
I am upset about his watching Television without any control and also his sensitive nature.  
I plead with him not to do so.



- Response : He very well balances his studies and games.  
He spends a lot of time on phone calls and computer.  
I give specific time limit.
- Response : I appreciate my son's efficiency in effective time-management with all the activities.  
His adamant and sometimes rude behaviour disturbs me.  
We spend sufficient time with our child, indulging in creative and positive chatting.
- Response : I appreciate my son's honesty, respect for others and his adjustment nature to any surroundings.  
I am very much worried about his habit of coming home late. Minor problems.  
I handle myself and the major ones I complain to his father.
- Response : My son's loving, friendly and sociable nature is really appreciable. I am proud of his adjustment nature and his love and care for his younger ones.  
I am very much worried about his getting up late, lack of punctuality and easy going attitude towards studies.  
I pay more attention to his studies and advise him about the values of life.
- Response : I appreciate my daughter's straight forwardness, creativity and enthusiasm.  
Her over consciousness and hesitation to clarify doubts disturbs me.  
I accept her as what she is, spend more time with her discussing her problems and giving more encouragement and support.
- Response : I appreciate my son's obedience.  
His forgetfulness disturbs me.  
I do not know how to solve it.
- Response : My daughter hates gossiping and never criticizes others.  
I am worried about her future studies.  
I will try my level best to make her study well to my expectations and to her wish.

Teenage is the most beautiful age for a teenager since it is the stage where they start enjoying what they call as freedom; but this is the most controversial period for these youngsters and their parents. Why?... because at this stage for the parents the teenager is still their young baby but for the teenager he/she is almost an adult. So they cannot tolerate their parents controlling, guiding and advising them, as though they were babies. Similarly the parents wonder at the strange behaviour of their children as adults. They may notice their wards

- ❖ Coming late in the evenings
- ❖ Show interest to visit friends' houses
- ❖ Indulging in private talks over the telephones and also in groups

- ❖ Spending so much time on dressing up / combing the hair
- ❖ Developing a reserved nature with parents.
- ❖ Developing an adamant and rude nature; and also liking to talk back/oppose.
- ❖ Trying to be alone in their dream world
- ❖ Indifference to any advice
- ❖ Interest to go out with friends.
- ❖ Disobedient and rude nature at home; but obedient and polite with others.

Any of these characteristics in the ward may disturb or upset his/her parent and will cause a lot of frustration, helplessness and depression. This strange experience is considered as the big problem / head ache by these parents.

How to overcome this stage? Nothing that serious / difficult; just understand that your child is undergoing a period of transition—from boyhood to adulthood. And they have a lot of hazards, diversions, hinderances, confusions and difficulties to overcome to pass this stage successfully. They may not be knowing the consequences of what they do at this stage. Hence the parents must train themselves to be very alert, patient and open-minded. They must be patient to listen, open-minded to accept changes and understanding to help and support. Above all

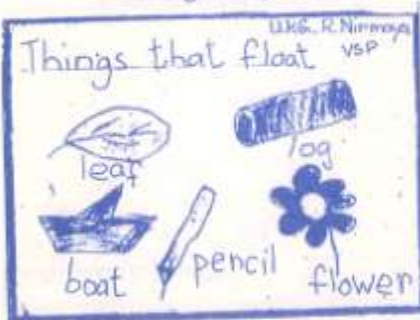
- Parents must find adequate time to spend with their children.
- They must encourage their wards to express their views and should give due importance to them.
- Children must be brought up well aware of the living conditions of the family and the realities of life.
- Should not exaggerate the minor mistakes, at the same time matters of importance should be dealt with due seriousness.
- Home should be made into one which can attract all the members of the family through love, care and affection.
- Should have open and friendly chatting between parents and children.
- Assign them with some responsibilities. So that they'll be responsible.

Similarly a teenager should try to get rid of his/her prejudistic mentality towards their parents and elders. They must develop a friendly relationship with their parents. Above all, both the parents and their wards must have confidence and trust in each other. Then teenage will be the most beautiful age.



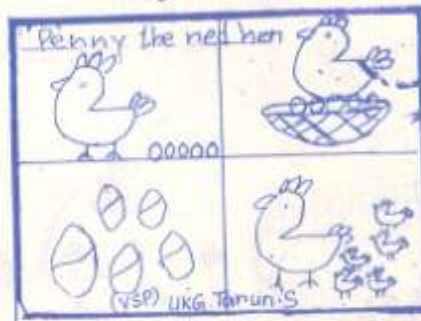
## The Budding Artists of Jeevana

Things that float



R. Nirmaya, UKG, VSP

Penny the red hen



Tarun, S., UKG, VSP

The Sun Rise



Rajive Gowtham, V, VSP

On a Rainy Day



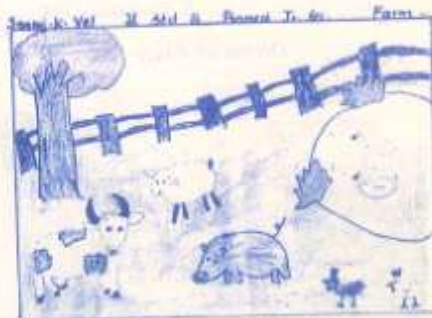
RPS, Bala Adhethia, II, VSP

A World of Fun



J. Meenakshi, IV, Ponmeni

The Farm



Sooraj, K. Vel, II, Ponmeni

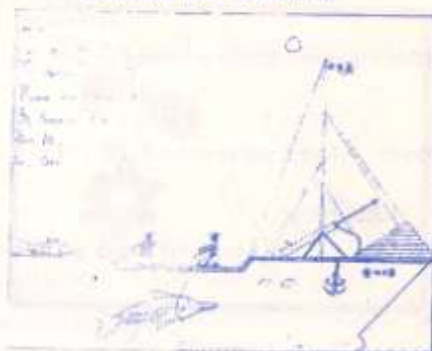
## The Budding Artists of Jeevana

*The Rural Beauty*



Aishwaryasree IV-B, Ponnani

*Discover the New World*



Balavignesh V, Ponnani

*A World of Peace & Unity*



R. Shree Kumar IX-C



Selvakumar XII

*Dream of Peace*



Dharsana VII-C, Ponnani

*Sun Set*



M. Parkavi - VI-A, Ponnani



## Regional Sports Meet for ICSE Schools

In Oct, 2002 was a memorable day for we the Jeevanites as Jeevana was the host school for the Regional Sports Meet for the ICSE schools, 2002 - 2003. Eleven ICSE schools from all over Tamil Nadu met at the venue. Mr. Raghupathy (ICSE council) Secretary, Aurobindo Public School, Trichy was the guest of honor of the prestigious event. Our beloved Chairman Mr. Iyengar presided over the function. Mr. Lalai Rajan, Correspondent VMJ, Hr. Sec. School, Madurai declared the Sports Meet open. Principals, teachers, escorting teachers, students from the participant schools and the invited guests formed the spectators. Mr. Arthuban, M. Harini and N. Geetha of class X ICSE Jeevana did the compering for this One-day Meet. The rest of the Jeevanites also rose to the occasion and discharged their service as volunteers in a magnificent way. The Physical Education teachers from various ICSE Schools acted as the Judges for the Track and Field events. Our Chairman Mr. Iyengar gave away the prizes to the winners.

Championship for Boys' Team - Kodaikanal Public School - Kodai  
Championship for Girls' Team - Keswick Public School - Madurai

Our students also presented a wonderful performance on the field. The Valedictory function was made memorable by the nimble steps of our young dancers from ICSE classes. The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Mr. Raghupathy. It was a great and exclusive day for our ICSE Jeevanites to show their skills in organising such activities.



M. Prasanna XII



S. Adhvaidha, VI, Ponneri



Aishwarya, J, XII

Books like friends should be a few and well chosen.

## THE YOUNG MAESTROS OF JEEVANA



**K. PRIYADARSHAN**  
VSP CLASS IV

He has been declared by Fide as the second youngest rated player in India. He has been selected to participate in the U-9 Nationals in Lucknow from Dec. 24 to 31



**R. SUDARSHAN - III VSP**

The budding carnatic singer entitled as 'Valarum Isai Kalaingar' by Bharathi Yuva Kendra.



**G. DHARSHANA**  
VII - Ponmeni

The I Prize holder in the international peace poster contest 'Dream of peace' Sponsored by the Lions club and conducted in Idukki (dt) Kerala.



**G. ANAND**  
VIII Ponmeni

Represented Tamil Nadu in the 64th National Sub. Jr. Table Tennis Tournament at Sirsa (Haryana) and won the 10th place in National Level.



**R. Reshma**  
IX Ponmeni

Participated in the International Children's Assembly organised by National Balbhavan in New Delhi from 14th to 19th of Nov. She performed a dance on the theme 'Water'



**PRASANNA IX**

Best under-14 Boys at the CUSAT CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP held in June 2002, 7th place in State level under 18 Boys and 30th place in under 15 National Chess CHAMPIONSHIP. Has become International FIDE rated player - his ELO FIDE Rating is 2068.



**VAISHNAVI MOHAN IX**

II-prize winner in the 'XIV YOGASANA' Competitions conducted by Tamil Nadu State Yogasana Association in Madurai On 27th Oct. 2002. She has been selected to participate National level Yoga competition to be held in Punjab.



**R. KIRUTHIKA XI**

Her paper work on "Environmental Bio-technology" has been selected as one among the 100 special merit papers in the National Level by the Dupont India Challenge 2002 Science Paper contest.



**V. SURAJ SUNDARA SANKAR - IX**

He has won IVth Place in the National Level Yoga Competition conducted by the Tamil Nadu State Yogasana Association.



## KARATE

Legend says that in 475AD a Buddhist priest Bodhidharma of South India traveled farther north crossing the 'Yangtze' river and met the Chinese Emperor 'WU' and he secluded himself in the temple Shorinji at some province. Bodhidharma taught them a form of exercise, Yoga, the doctrine of Inseparability and the workouts practised by the Indian warriors, but the workouts were too strenuous for the Chinese monks, so Bodhidharma taught them easier movements with breathing techniques from Yoga, a system for developing control of mind and body called 'Shorinji arts' (Chinese Fist). 'Shorinji art' was supreme in China and flourished for hundreds of years. Gradually the art of self-defence found its way to the East to the Pacific of Okinawa.

The Okinawans had a fighting style of their own called 'tode'. When they learned Shorinji art, they combined it with 'tode' techniques. The result was a new art called 'Okinawan-te'. ('te' means hand) It was practiced in secret for hundreds of years until 1901. Then it was brought to light as a part of regular curriculum in the first middle schools of Okinawa. Master Anhou Itosu was the first Instructor. It was from his school that Master Gichin Funakoshi acquired his training, and later in 1916, he introduced Karate to Japan. Master Funakoshi was pioneer of karate in Japan and he spent the rest of his life popularizing Karate there. Later following his footsteps other Karate masters from Okinawa came to Japan. Rapidly, Karate became wide spread and many Karate organization were formed. Rules for tournaments were subsequently formulated to make Karate a competitive sport. Therefore it could be safe. Karate has its beginning in India, then in China, developed in Okinawa and systematized in Japan.

Master Gichin Funakoshi's fighting style called 'Karate' which means empty hand (Kara-empty, te-hand). Master Funakoshi died in 1957 at the age of 88. To him Karate was not only a great fighting system, it was also a tool for building character. He wrote in his book "Karate: My way of life". As mirror's polished surface reflect whatever stands before it, and a quiet valley carries even small sounds, so must the students of Karate render his mind empty of selfishness and wickedness in an effort to react appropriately towards anything he might encounter.

Karate is now taught for self-defence in Dojos, Schools, and Police academies and on Army bases, many Colleges and Universities teach it for credit in Physical Education. You can learn many different styles of Karate. And you can do it whether you're a male or female no matter how young or old.

Karate is an art concerned with character as well as self-defence. Karatekas are expected to show good sportsmanship and respect for their opponents. Concentration of power is called 'Kime' in Japanese, which means 'Focus' in English. The power must come from the center of the body and travel through arm or leg in to the hand or foot.

What makes Karate unique is the fact it is much more than a martial art. A student of Karate learns Philosophy, medicine, attack and self defence and above all, he learns how to avoid confrontations where he has to attack somebody or defend himself. He even learns to treat the injuries he causes to his opponent while attacking or defending himself. An advance student would learn about 'Marme' points or pressure points in the body. The points are used to cure various illnesses. The Chinese acupressure is also based on these pressure points. Karate is an all-round training of the body of the student to make him a complete man rather than just turnout savage warriors.

L. Baskar  
Co-ordinator,  
Jeevana School, Madurai.

## Karate

### WORLD SHOTAKAN KARATE - DO FEDERATION (TAMIL NADU)

Conducted a State level Karate Competition Championship 2002 at St. Batitto School, Madurai, on 30th Nov 2002 & 1st Dec 2002. Our school Karate students bagged 10 prizes in the tournament.

#### Sr. BOYS Kata below 15 Yrs age group.

I Place	A. Sricharan	8A
II Place	A. H. Ahamed	8A
III Place	S. Sundares	8C

#### Sr. GIRLS Kata below 15 Yrs age group

III Place	G. Vinotha	7C
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#### Jr. BOYS Kata below 13 Years

I Place	B. Dayalal	7C
II Place	P. Vignesh	7C
III Place	TD. Chandrakumaran	7C

#### Jr. BOYS Kata below 11 Yrs

I Place	K. Ashwin	6C
II Place	G. Nilay	6B
III Place	C.S. Suresh	6A



The Young Martial Artists of Jeevana  
with their Teachers.

## YOUNG MAESTROS OF JEEVANA



#### **PRIYADARSHINI VI**

(Ponmeni)

Has been selected for the STATE LEVEL SCIENCE TALENT EXAMINATION Conducted by Velammal's YEAR OF SCIENCE - 2002- 2003.



#### **CHELLA GANAPATHY VI-A**

(Ponmeni)

Has won 2 prize in State Level Yoga Competition



## W.J. MC MAHON MEMORIAL COMPETITIONS

Conducted by JEEVANA SCHOOL, Madurai.

W.J. Mc Mahon was an English Teacher of great repute. He taught in the Lawrence School Lovedale, Transvaal, South Africa. He was the Principal in Tata Tea School Munnar, Kshatriya Vidyashala School Virudhunagar and St. Horsely Hill School, Madanapully Andhra Pradesh. He taught for a few years in our school also. His achievements are today spread through out the globe. The novelist Ms. Arundhati Roy, who was his student in Lovedale has referred to him as a great Teacher. Mr. Mc Mahon firmly believed that a good teacher is one who motivates not just the bright student but each and every student.

During his tenure in our school he met with a gruesome accident and shed his mortal coils. In memory of this great Teacher our beloved Chairman Mr. Iyengar has started an Inter-School Literary Competition from the year 2001 onwards. This year we had Essay writing and Short Story Writing Competition on 5th Sept. 2002. Students from 18 schools all over Madurai participated in the competition. The winners are :

### SHORT STORY WRITING

Fidha XI	I prize	Mahatma School, Madurai
N. Johan Ericson XII	II prize	Mathatma School, Madurai
Aarthy XII	III prize	TVS School, Madurai

### ESSAY WRITING

Zane Saleh Salim XI	I prize	Jeevana School, Madurai
Prasanna Kumar XI	II prize	Mahatma School, Madurai
Sujeen Raja XII	III prize	SBOA, Madurai

A Felicitation ceremony was conducted to honour the prize winners of the competitions. Ms. Uma Sivaraman, Principal of Kendriya Vidhyalaya, Madurai was the Chief Guest of the day. The ideas she shared about the special features of her school were really exciting and informative. The students experienced a very homely atmosphere when Mrs. Uma Sivaraman invited them to her school and showed her willingness to send her students to our school. The function came to an end with the prize distribution by Ms. Uma Sivaraman.

## Adventure trip 2002 to Alagarkoil

The Children of classes VI and VII went on an adventure trip to Alagarkoil on Saturday the 14th of December 02. They started at 8-30 a.m. from the Jeevana School, Visalakshipuram. They were flagged off by our Chairman Mr. M.S. Iyengar. The children numbered about forty one. They were accompanied by Mr. Baskar the Karate Teacher, Mrs. Lilia John, Miss. Juliet, Mrs. Jerusa and Mr. Ranjith Kumar the teaching staff of Jeevana. They had a wonderful and thrilling experience. They enjoyed the trip very much and were eager to go for another trip shortly. This exposure was to make children feel courageous and confident of themselves.

### A Wonderful Day

We felt very happy when Mrs. Demonte our headmistress announced that the children of classes VI & VII were being taken to Alagarkoil for trekking. We all started preparing for the Adventure Trip. We were eagerly waiting for the day. The day mostly awaited for came. We reached the school at 8.00 a.m. on 14th December Saturday with our Jerkinds, leather gloves, cap and trekking shoes. We left at 8.25 from the school to Alagarkoil which was wonderful. On the way to Alagarkoil we had lots of fun playing Antakshari. Finally we reached Alagarkoil. The



cold breeze freshened up our minds. We had Mrs. Demonte and Mr. Iyengar to wish us good bye at Alagarkoil. Then when we started walking forward, first we felt it was a difficult task; but it was fun. We could enjoy the beauty of nature when we saw the waterfalls, trees, birds, and monkeys. When the trekking area was over we started to walk on the roads with vehicles passing through and Monkeys chasing us. On the way we saw the N.C.C. students of Thyagaraja College. Finally we reached Palamuthircholai. We had 8 mts. of mountain climbing at Palarmuthircholai. Then we started walking back to Alagarkoil. As we were walking back, we had a halt to fill our stomachs. Then when we reached our bus we were all very tired returning to school. But the whole day was very exciting. I hope that I must get many such opportunities to visit such places. Hopefully I am eagerly waiting for the next trekking programme. It was a marvellous experience, inspite of this being my first trekking trip. I wish to thank Mrs. Demonte and Mr. Iyengar for arranging such a trip for us.

MONIKA, MOHANLALI,  
CLASS VII, VSP



### HOME ALONE

Arun was so delighted. His joy knew no bounds. His mother stroked his hair gently-affectionately and asked him if he enjoyed the Swimming Class. Arun started narrating what happened in the Swimming pool. The mother was very happy to know that her child could float in the water without any help from the coach.

Arun Complained that he could not understand a few answers in Tamil lesson. His mother sat with him and explained the answers to his satisfaction. Arun felt how easy the lesson was. Then they played 'hide and seek' in the garden, in the first floor, Kitchen and bed room. He listened to his mother telling the adventures of Hanuman while eating his delicious supper.

"What a nice mother she should be like this everyday", prayed Arun to Hanuman, his favourite God. He also requested his favourite God to make all the mothers of his close friends-Nitin, Mahesh, Charles, Ibrahim, Suganya..... to be like his mother. (Only two days before Arun's family had shifted to his new house) Arun didn't know then when he slept. His deep sleep was disturbed by the chirping of birds. He got up and his mother readied him as usual.

"Bye mummy", Arun uttered cheerfully and he was waiting for the school bus. His mother waved and was about to get inside the house. There came a man with a tool box and said, "Pathu nimishathula cable connection koduthuduvu amma". Her face beamed with excitement. When Arun returned from school, his hopes were shattered. He knew for sure he is at home alone once again while his mother is with "Chitheee.....eee..." and "Annamalai".

The Class teacher yelled at Arun, "What happened to you? Why did you tear Nitin's drawing book? You little monkey, can't you answer me?" Arun didn't reply he looked at the teacher but he was not angry with her, but he wanted to hit the cable man once for having separated his mother from him.

Mr. R. GUNASEELAN,

Principal & Director

## Vikaasa Youth Festival

*At the Pinnacle - Jeevana won the Overall Championship*



## Excursions *Fun 'n frolic all the way...*



## Acts of Charity

*Leo Members with the needy... Fellow feeling - an act of kindness and love*





## Children's Day Celebrations

*A day by the teachers for the Children to enjoy...*



### ATTENTION PLEASE

4th, 18th and 25th Saturdays in January, 2003 will be full working days.

4th - Monday's Time Table

18th - Tuesday's Time Table

25th - Wednesday's Time Table

M.S. Iyengar  
Chairman