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As the crisp November breeze swept through our campus, our school came alive with a whirlwind of celebrations, competitions, and awareness programs, making this month one to remember! The interschool football tournament saw our young athletes putting their best foot forward, displaying incredible teamwork and determination, the joyous Kerala Piravi celebrations, where students immersed themselves in the rich cultural heritage of our beloved state through vibrant performances and traditional attire.

Adding to the excitement, Children's Day was celebrated with a delightful twist as teachers took center stage, spreading laughter and joy. Our cultural fest was a dazzling display of talent and creativity, bringing the entire school community together in harmony and festivity. Not forgetting the importance of safety in the digital age, Cybersecurity Day was observed to instill vital knowledge about staying safe online. This month truly captured the essence of learning beyond books, fostering unity, tradition, and awareness among students. We invite you to relive these unforgettable moments through the pages of this newsletter, celebrating the achievements and memories we've created together.

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Kerala Piravi Day

On November 1st, the school, came up with vibrant colors and rich traditions of Kerala as we celebrated Kerala Piravi, the day Kerala was officially formed in 1956. It was a day filled with joy, learning, and deep cultural appreciation, as our school came together to honor the heritage of "God's Own Country." Here are some glimpses of the memorable moments: The entire school was gathered to learn about the significance of this special day. We had cultural performances by PYP. We had games/quizzes on the history of Kerala. After that, we ended the day with resounding memories of this great day.

Wishing you all a joyous Kerala Piravi!

- Diti Grade 7A

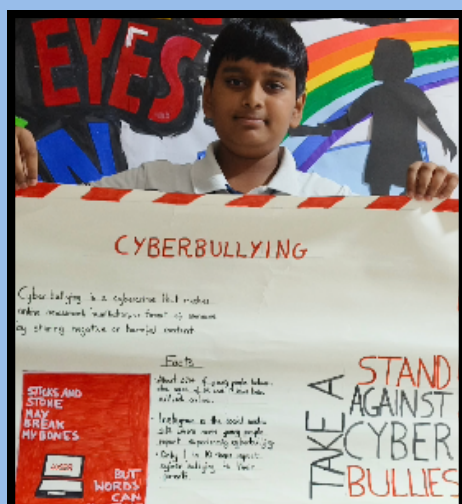


Children's Day

Children's Day was celebrated with enthusiasm and excitement at our school, featuring a variety of activities. The children looked very joyous and high spirited wearing colourful attires. Classroom activities were engaging, with a game of musical chair in Grade 8A which added to the excitement. The school assembly was a spectacular event, with performances such as amazing dances by the MYP and PYP teachers. After this, the teachers headed by Sreejith sir performed a humorous show which left the children roaring with laughter. The celebration ended with a sense of joy and satisfaction, and we are grateful to our teachers for organizing such a wonderful event.



-Philipose Puthenvilayil Philip (Grade 8)



Cyber Security Day

The Indian Public School recently hosted Cyber Security Day, an initiative to promote awareness about online safety and responsible digital practices. The event featured engaging activities across grades, starting with interactive awareness sessions for grades 4 to 7, conducted by Srida, Sanskriti, Nandana, and Isabelle, who covered topics such as protecting personal information, identifying online threats, and using strong passwords.

During the assembly, Nandana, Srida and Sanskriti led an insightful session for MYP students, delving deeper into topics like ethical online behavior, phishing scams, and safeguarding digital identities. A short film was made on cybersecurity by Grade 9 students. It was directed by Lingesh, with Nadal handling cinematography and editing, and Irfan, Rakkshan, and Eshan contributing as part of the cast. The film effectively combined creativity and education to convey key messages about staying safe online. The event left students across all grades with a stronger understanding of cybersecurity, empowering them to navigate the digital world with confidence and care.

-Sanskriti Kanan (Grade 9)

FIELD TRIP

NAVAL BASE, KOCHI



On October 18, 2024, the students from grades 7, 8, 9, and A level embarked on an enlightening journey to the naval base. This visit offered a rare glimpse into the heart of our nation's maritime defence and a profound appreciation for the dedication of those who protect our seas.

The excursion was more than just a field trip, it was an opportunity to connect with history, marvel at advanced technology, and witness the unwavering spirit of service. Upon arriving at the base, we were greeted by the sight of impressive warships docked in the harbor. Among them were the majestic INS Sujata and INS Tir, whose massive decks we had the privilege of exploring. Standing on the expansive decks, we gained insight into the daily lives of naval personnel and the intricate workings of these vessels. We also had the chance to learn about the different types of aircraft used by the Navy.

The demonstrations and explanations provided by the crew were both fascinating and educational. Additionally, we observed an array of weaponry, including various guns and rockets, further deepening our understanding of the Navy's role in national security. This visit was truly an awe-inspiring experience. It left us with a newfound respect for the brave individuals who dedicate their lives to protect our nation and its waters.

-Neerav Sujith (Grade 7)

PALIAM PALACE



On the 28th of November, Thursday, grades 5, 10 and 11 took a field trip to Paliyam palace museum and the Paliyam Nalukettu Museum to learn much about the history of Kerala. Kerala was once divided into 3 kingdoms: Cochin, Malabar, Thiruvithamkoor (now known as Travancore). The Paliath Achans were Prime ministers to the Kings of Cochin and they resided in the Paliyam palace museum. In the 1600s, trade wars between Portugal and the Dutch broke out and the Paliath Achans offered substantial help to the Dutch. Later, the Dutch built a building in Chendamangalam, in appreciation of the services rendered by Paliath Achan.

The latter used it as his official residence where a number of major political and administrative decisions were made and put into action. The structure is also known as the Dutch Palace. Due to this, much of the architecture in the Paliyam Palace is a combination of Kerala and Dutch styles. The Paliath Achans protected the kingdom of Cochin from many threats that came from the Dutch, Portuguese and England.

The staff were extremely welcoming and ready to answer any of our doubts. We saw the Paliath Achan's throne (a replica), Paliath Achan's Office, a hall where they held their meetings and Paliath Achan's resting room. There were posters around the Paliyam Palace which give details on each of the successors of the Paliath Achan. The Paliyam Nalukettu Museum was few meters away from the Paliyam palace museum and it was supposed to be a stay for the women and children under the age of 13. The Paliyam Nalukettu Museum had many cooking instruments for the women to cook food in bulk for the Paliath Family.

-Gautam Biju (Grade 10)

The Cultural Fest Fiesta,2024

A Symphony of Talent

The much-anticipated Cultural Fest, held on the 22nd of November, 2024, was a vibrant celebration of creativity and talent, featuring students from grades 3 to 12. The event began on a serene note with a beautiful instrumental performance that set a calming tone, followed by a dazzling array of performances showcasing dance, drama, and music. The highlight of the day was the award ceremony honoring the school's top achievers across various categories.



The event kicked off with high-energy Western dance performances, where students displayed an incredible mix of styles like hip-hop and jazz. Their enthusiasm and creativity brought the auditorium to life. This was followed by classical dance performances, blending tradition and storytelling with intricate choreography and expressive gestures that mesmerized the audience. Through out the fest, students captivated the crowd with their melodious voices. Each song, from soulful to celebratory, added depth and emotion to the event.



A poignant drama on the sorrowful wars transported the audience into the heart of conflict, highlighting the emotional scars left behind. The students' gripping performances drew applause and reflection. Another thought-provoking act was the mime "Cut the Drip, Save the Sip," a silent yet impactful plea for water conservation that left a lasting impression on the audience.

Midway, the award ceremony recognized the top students who excelled in various categories. The joy and pride of the winners resonated through out the auditorium, making it a moment of celebration for the entire school.

The event concluded with a grand fusion dance finale, seamlessly blending all the vibes of the day into an electrifying performance. It left the audience cheering and the performers beaming with pride.

The Cultural Fest, 2024 was a true symphony of talent, creativity, and unity, leaving everyone inspired and full of memorable memories.

-Meenakshi(Grade 8)





All Kerala Cambridge School Football Tournament

A Heartbreakingly Close Call



The All Kerala Cambridge School Football Tournament in Thrissur presented a unique challenge for our Under-14 football team from The Indian Public School (TIPS). The tournament, which involved a league format, tested not only our skills on the field but also our understanding of strategic decisions. To prepare for the rigors of the All Kerala Cambridge School Football Tournament, our team underwent rigorous training sessions twice a day. The early morning practice sessions, which commenced at 6 AM, were particularly challenging, and in the afternoons, after school hours, we would reconvene on the field from 2:45 PM to 4:30 PM.

Our journey to Thrissur commenced at the early hour of 5 AM, as the team bus departed from the TIPS Kochi campus. The early morning start, while demanding, was a necessary sacrifice for the opportunity to represent our school at the prestigious All Kerala Cambridge School Football Tournament. The long bus ride provided an ideal setting for team bonding. Players engaged in conversations, shared laughter, and fuelled their anticipation for the upcoming matches. Our first match was honestly an easy one. The team displayed exceptional skill, teamwork, and determination, resulting in an unhesitating 3-0 victory. This impressive performance set the tone for the tournament and increased our hopes and motivation for upcoming matches. However, our second match proved to be a more challenging affair. Despite our best efforts, the match ended in a draw. While this result did not diminish our unbeaten record, it had significant implications in the league format.

The experience of competing at such a high level has been invaluable. We will carry the lessons learned from this tournament into future matches, striving to improve and achieve greater heights.

-Sagar Surana (Grade 7)

UPCOMING EVENTS



-  **World Pollution Day:02.12.24**
-  **Energy Conservation Day:13.12.24**
-  **Monthly Competition:04.12.24**
-  **Skipping Competition:16.12.24**
-  **World Soil Day:04.12.24**
-  **Melange 2024:16.12.24 - 20.12.24**
-  **Human Rights Day:10.12.24**
-  **Christmas Celebration:20.12.24**

