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July 16th, 2016 – Trins completes 13

On the 15th July 2016, we at TRINS celebrated our schools 14th birthday, otherwise known as the annual talents day. The day kicked off with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp followed by several heartwarming speeches given by the heads and our oldest students. After the cutting of the cake, the students moved on to the most awaited part of the day, the competitions. Every student took part in events ranging from cultural singing and dancing shows to more challenging language elocutions. After the individual events came to an end everyone came together to watch the group dances and the fashion show, both of which were performed house wise. At the end of the day, Agni came out as the winners, followed by Vayu and then Jalam. The whole hearted participation of all of the students as well as the teachers made this year's talents day more exciting and memorable than ever before.

- Report by Manasi J



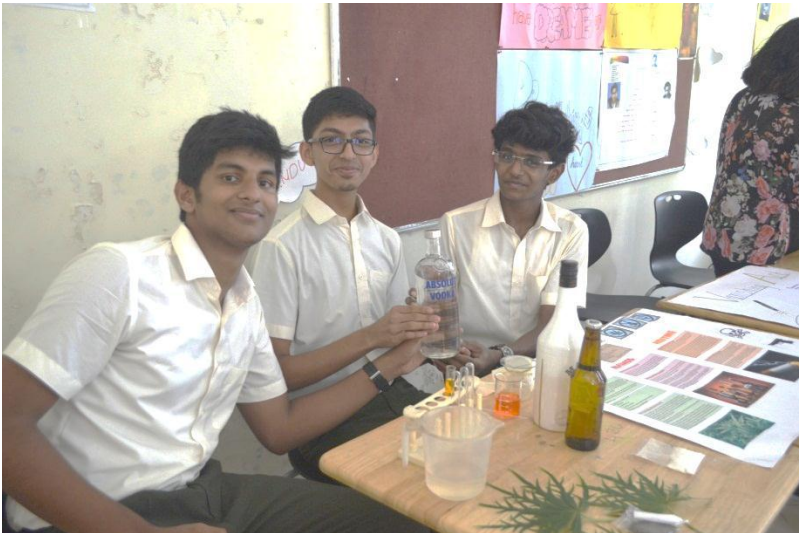




SCIENCE FAIR

The senior school Science Fair was conducted on the 27th of July. The event was inaugurated by Mrs Mary George. All the students participated with their exhibits, which included working models, charts and still models. The fair gave them a good opportunity to apply the scientific method through independent research.





Special Assembly for Eid

Trins celebrated EID with a special assembly which had students enacting the story behind Eid , followed by a cultural performance by students and teachers.



MUN Training

As our students continue their preparations for the Trins MUN coming up in November, another round of training was given by Wordz, Delhi. The organisers and delegates discussed and planned further for the mega event.



Calido training workshop – A two day training workshop was conducted for teachers and students in July. The programme is intended to equip the students with key skills in critical thinking, research and time management.

Field Trip – A Report

Our field trip to Varkala beach

In connection to our geography topic, coast to coast, students of Grade 7 visited the Varkala beach to see if we could get more information on the topic. On reaching there, the first site we visited was the cliff. We were appalled by how strong the waves hitting the cliff were. It was the first time many of us were seeing a helipad on a cliff!!!!



As we sat on the beach wriggling our toes on the soft sand, Ms Sunitha explained what waves, tides, the different formations made by hydraulic action. After learning and understanding we had a lot of fun thrashing around in the water and losing slippers.

Sweaty and sun-burned we returned to school taking back lots of fun memories along....

By Anugraha and Marilyn of Grade 7

Guest Speaker

Prof Dan Sheffield, guest speaker from TLPS (Transitions Lab Preparatory School), Canada addressed students of Grades 8, 9 & 10 on cultural intelligence.



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PYP @ TRINS

PYP CARNIVAL

Learning is fun – A carnival with a difference was organized for the PYP parents on Friday, 29th July, this carnival was celebrating inquiry based teaching and learning. An opportunity for Parents to experience a classroom scenario and enjoy learning as their kids do. This gave parents a panoramic view of teaching methods across PYP –languages, music, sports, math literacy etc. The entire PYP parent community supported this event and we had an overwhelming response.





Football is no child's play – There was intense team rivalry and team spirit seen on the football ground. Four teams (four houses) gave it their best to win the PYP football trophy. It was very encouraging to see the players on the ground and students cheering off the ground. The girls also participated with 100% enthusiasm. A combined team saw girls run with the ball across the pitch.





Helen Keller Day was celebrated on 28th June during the PYP assembly. The students of Grade 5A and 5B presented a role play and the National Anthem was also sung by them using sign language.

Students of KG2 had a memorable "**Sensation Walk**" around the campus to understand how important our sense organs are to us.

Field trip to the bio lab - The students of Grade 2 visited the Biology Lab to observe the models of the heart, eye, chest and brain in tune with their theme on "Body Parts".

Guest lecture - Father of Mishaal Muhammed - Dr. Nasim conducted an interactive session on the importance of maintaining hygiene to ensure optimum body functioning in the grade 2 classroom.

This is how we learn - The Early Years parent fraternities were invited to attend an orientation that addressed general classroom environment and role play to show parent involvement to support the programme. The response was overwhelming.

We too can research - Based on their theme, a survey was conducted by the youngest TRINSians of KG1 on "I am special". The students went around the PYP section with their teachers asking questions and observing adults.

Guest speaker - Dr Maya Vincent, Dermatologist (YCDC) gave a talk to the students of City KG on skin hygiene and good habits on Wednesday, 13th July.



We are a team – with an intent to connect the new parents who joined TRINS this year, regular orientation sessions were planned to help parents understand the different aspects of PYP, the expectations and the way parents can support their children at home. This platform gave parents an opportunity to understand the pedagogy better.

We brought a smile to their face - As a part of the Leadership programme, students and staff of Grades 4A and 4B visited Cheshire Old Age Home to interact with the residents there. Students read stories, prepared some hand made gifts and sang songs to them. They came back with a smile because they brought little happiness to the residents. Provisions of rice, dal, oats and horlicks were also donated to the Home which is part of the monthly community service contribution done by every PYP student.

Doc knows it best – Ms. Baneeshya, our nurse on campus conducted an interesting session for the students of Grade 3 on maintaining a balanced lifestyle and hygiene in tune with the present unit of inquiry in grade 3.

We are a team - Parents of KG1 teamed up with the homeroom teachers to present fun activities in class as a part of Parent Week. A big thank you to the parents of Advay and Sanghamitra. Thanks also goes to the parents of Gautam Sidharth and Vedhant at the City KG, who also participated wholeheartedly with their activities in the City Kindergarten.

Healthy food healthy body - KG2 students celebrated Healthy Salad Day on Friday, 22nd July and rustled up a healthy salad in class. They also baked whole wheat cookies in the school bakery.

States of matter – The grade 5 has been busy exploring matter and their properties. They have been super busy with experiments, permutation and combinations. In the art lesson they learnt to make charcoal from wood and used it in their art work. They melted crayons to create abstract art. They also visited the Chemistry lab to learn about distillation, condensation, etc as a part of their theme of the different states of matter.



Panel discussion in PYP - As a part of the inquiry cycle in grade 3 who are learning healthy lifestyle and food, a panel discussion was conducted on Wednesday, 20th July. The panelists consisted of Dr. Sanjay Zachariah (Associate Professor of Medicine, Gokulam Medical College) grandparents and parents of MadhavArun, AranVikram, Ravishankar and Ritvik and MrRakeshBhaskaran, our basketball coach. The discussion was a very interesting and an engrossing one where lifestyle patterns were mapped from the last 50 years. Students got an opportunity to connect their research findings through survey, books and videos to real life scenarios.

The architect knows it best – Part of the third line of inquiry, the students of Grade 1 were learning about homes of the past, present and future. In order to shed more light about the changes that have come by in the construction of homes, Ms. Sapnu George (Ex. Director – TRINS) shared her experiences with the children. Students got to know the changes that have come by in the construction of homes. When future homes were discussed, a few very interesting ideas were shared - underwater castle with sparkles and mermaids, flying ships etc.

In the Early Years, as a part of their inquiry, the students of KG1 did a **role play** in the classroom on their responsibilities in the classroom towards themselves and their surroundings. The students of KG2 had an interactive talk with the school nurse - Ms. Baneeshya about personal hygiene and MrManoharan did breathing exercises and explained about the importance of yoga in their daily life.

We too can make a change - Feeding the needy - 7 students from grade 5 have been feeding orphans and needy on a weekly basis. Why – the students have been engaged in many thought provoking activities in the leadership programme, they decided that age cannot be a challenge to do good. What – they collected old books from their friends and community, sold them to strangers and family. The money collected was used to buy food. This practice happens every week.

■ Trins Broadway – August 20,21 at
Tagore Theatre.

**Upcoming
EVENTS**

20th & 21st August 2016

Tagore Theatre

5pm-8pm



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