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Principal's Message



There is so much about TRINS that makes me proud, but I think the strong bonds of trust between our students and their teachers is one thing that particularly stands out. Last Friday was a day to see this highlighted.

Each year, the PYP Exhibition provides an exciting culmination of the PYP experience of our Grade 5 students – not just a bringing together of their learning for the year, but of their learning throughout the time they have spent in PYP. The Exhibition reflected the range of interests that our students have, from football to nuclear fusion, from cats to abstract art. Their confidence in pursuing these interests and presenting their learning was great to witness. Ms. Geomi and

Ms. Neetu, the Grade 5 HRTs, have brought this year's PYPX to its successful conclusion, but they highlighted the support received both from the twenty mentors who have contributed this year and also all those teachers these students have worked with along their PYP journey. Parents were in school on Friday to enjoy their children's success and be part of the celebration of independent learning.

On Friday evening, I attended the Grade 12 Graduation ceremony. It extended quite late into the evening, which reflected the nature of the event, a mixture of formality and informality with a theme that there was so much to say within a limited amount of time. Hence, the time was extended, but the words were still not exhausted. Gratitude was evident throughout. As a school, we are fortunate to have the learning of young people entrusted to us, and this batch has a multitude of talents that they have shared with the school. However, the 'thank yous' that were heard most frequently were from these students to their teachers – their DP and A-level teachers, but also those teachers who have guided them throughout their time at TRINS. It was a very special evening which brought together students, parents and teachers to celebrate our students as they prepare to move on to new challenges and opportunities, but also to celebrate their school - our school - and what it represents.

Mr. Richard Hillebrand

Student Achievements

OLYMPIAD AWARDS

Janaki S, 11DP, secured First Rank in South Zone in the English Olympiad (IFEO) of International Olympiad Foundation.



Janaki S



Veda Sheena Rajan

Veda Sheena Rajan, Grade 10, secured a Silver Award in the English Olympiad (IFEO)



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Rohan Gopinath, Grade 8 secured a Bronze Award for English Olympiad (IFEO)



Rohan Gopinath



Alina Sara John

Alina Sara John, 11DP, secured First Rank in South Zone in the Computer Olympiad IFCO of International Olympiad Foundation. She also secured a Bronze award in Math Olympiad (IFMO)

Joanna Benoy, Grade 6, secured a Bronze Award for Science Olympiad (IFSO)



Joanna Benoy



Dia Fatima Hashir

Dia Fatima Hashir, Grade 8, secured a Bronze Award in both the Spell Talent Olympiad (IFSTO) and Reasoning and Aptitude Olympiad.

PEER BUDDY CERTIFICATES

The SEN department awarded peer buddy certificates to selected students in grades 1, 2 and 3 for consistently demonstrating kindness and support towards their peers with special needs. The recipients are: Ameya Nair from Grade 1A, Brayan Aksar and Tamira Sengupta from Grade 1B, Armaan R Renjith, Ayden Zen Chemmanur, Aloshi Sreekanth, and Ivani Sthuthi Shaji from Grade 2A, and Sivani J and Aayisha Firoz from Grade 3B.





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Professional Development

Ms. Anuradha and Ms. Sonia J Mathew have received certificates of completion from Via News Didi for completing the Teacher-Writer Programme held from 28th January to 10th March 2024. Via News Didi focuses on bringing the news to the students and to aid teachers to write articles for the students to read. This program was to enable a reliable news channel of news for the students.







Sonia J Mathew

Ms Amritha Renganath was a resource person in an online workshop conducted by Ranveer Singh, a graduate design student to collaborate information and ideas amongst key stakeholders to improve the education techniques in the classroom. She focused on understanding neurodiversity, recognising it and the importance of differentiation in the classroom. Ms Sujithra was a participant in this session.

Ms Amritha Renganath attended a Masterclass "Promoting Inclusivity and Celebrating Diversity in Teaching" by Suraasa.



Amritha Renganath

Ms. Shalini Bose attended a CRE (Continuing Rehabilitation Education) webinar on the topic of Understanding Cortical Visual Impairment (CVI) conducted by the Composite Regional Center for Rehabilitation, and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Andaman & Nicobar Islands.



Shalini Bose



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COLLABORATIVE SESSION

Grade 2 students had a very informative collaborative session with the Grade 2 students of Tejas Vidhayala, Vadadara on the topic of the Animal Kingdom under the theme of sharing the planet. Students shared their understanding using Venn Diagrams, augmented reality, role play, and quizzes. The session was very fruitful and engaging. We are thankful to Ms. Rensy, Ms. Rajitha, Mr. Sanjay, Mr. Gokul, Mr. Sachin, Ms Akhila, Ms. Brindha, and her music department for all the support and motivation to make this a memorable session for the students.







GOOD TECH SQUAD

A session on digital safety, co-hosted by The Citizen Digital Foundation and TRINS, on Saturday 6th April was a success. It focused on educating parents of students in Grades 5-7 about how to promote responsible digital device usage.







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PYPX EXHIBITION

Grade 5 students successfully exhibited the PYP exhibition (PYPX) on 12th April to all stakeholders. Students were engaged in the process of enquiry and research for the past 6 weeks, during which they conducted interviews, went on field trips, read books and browsed multiple websites.

Students presented their findings using four components- oral, written, visual and presentations. The highlight of the event was the varied topics the students presented and the in-depth knowledge they exhibited confidently on and off stage. HRTs Ms Geomi and Ms Neetu steered the presentations to parents, as they have steered the students throughout the process. A big shout out to all 20 mentors who guided the students every week. A big thank you to Dr. Uma Sharma, Mr. Sujith, Ms. Brinda and team, all second language teachers for their support and guidance. The chechies and support staff played a critical role in the upkeep and presentation done for the day. Thank you, Mr. Benni, Mr. Arun, Catering team and Admin, for making sure multiple things were in place for a smooth execution of the event. Mr. Sanjay has overseen the development of the PYP Exhibition at TRINS to this level – and this year also guided the teachers and students at COCHINS to present their first PYP Exhibition.































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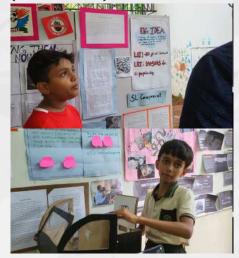
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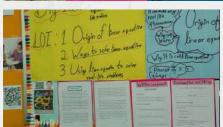




































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GRADUATION CEREMONY

The Graduation ceremony for the 2023/24 Grade 12 students was held at the ASB on the evening of 12th April. Mr George M. Thomas and Mrs Mary George attended this milestone for our senior students. Mr George M. Thomas spoke about the importance of developing a career path with an open mind, whilst Mr Vijya Raghaven (Honorary Director) spoke about the importance of gratitude. Ms Sapnu George and Mr Richard Hillebrand expressed the appreciation of the school for the contribution of the batch and the best wishes of the school community for their future plans. The best outgoing students, Nathania Ann Philip and Iniyen Thirunavukkarasu, addressed their peers, parents and teachers before each of the 50 students briefly spoke of their experience at TRINS. Dinner was hosted by the Management, which was an opportunity for students, parents and teachers to reminisce, as well as look forward, and to take (many) photographs to capture the occasion.

Thank you to everyone who made this event possible, in particular to Ms Amoolya and Ms Sangeetha (12A2 and 12DP class teachers) for providing the vision and structure for the evening.











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EY PD SESSION

This week, our EY facilitators had the invaluable opportunity to share and learn from best practices observed during school visits in Bangalore. This exchange of ideas and experiences serves to enrich our teaching methodologies and contribute to continuous improvement within our educational community.

A significant portion of our professional development focused on reinforcing our understanding and implementation of the IB curriculum and methodologies. This session provided a platform for deepening our knowledge, refining our teaching strategies, and aligning our practices with the IB standards of excellence. Additionally, there was a dedicated session conducted to explore strategies for fostering adaptability among our staff. This session aimed to equip us with the mindset and skills necessary to navigate changes and challenges with resilience and innovation.

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