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“Find a group of people who challenge and inspire you; spend a lot of time with them, and it will change your life.”

— Amy Poehler

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Principal's Message

“Share your smile with the world. It’s a symbol of Friendship and Peace”

Our life on Earth is a gift, and it should be used to nurture an affectionate relationship with people around us.

Every moment we survive over here has to be appreciated, and utilized for creating a lovable and caring environment.

Love is not something that has to be kept secret in our minds, it has to be expressed, to the other person and he should feel the warmth of it.

The energy generated by such an open expression of love and care can take us to the peak of excellence and joy.

Our life becomes luggage-less and calms the minds, generates a lot of positive vibes.

All religious scriptures across the globe stand for love and brotherhood. Hence be an ambassador of love and care to make life on Earth a great celebration!

Sharmila Mohan,
GTCS

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Top Stories of this Month:



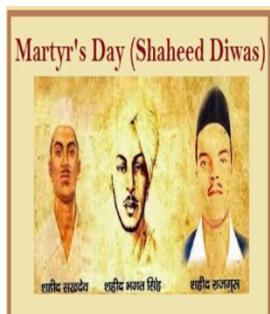
10th January World Hindi Day



11th January National Road Safety Week



13th January Pongal Celebrations



30th January Martyrs' Day/Shaheed Diwas

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OBSERVING SPECIAL DAYS

On account of **Road safety week**, Our grade 8 students of GTCS, has took the initiative to show their gratitude through their thank you letter for all the traffic policemen around the world.



Thank you Police Officers!!!

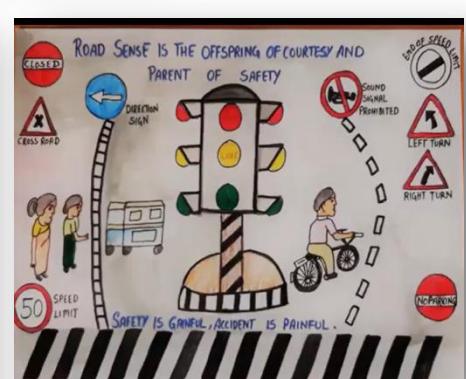
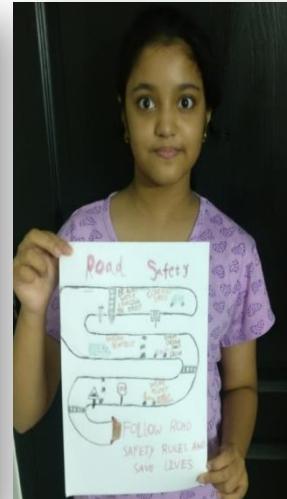


We thank actors and singers but we never take a moment to appreciate the work of you police officers. So now I take immense pleasure in thanking you and your dedication towards your job. Especially during this pandemic, you have been so helpful, you all were ready to risk your lives to make sure the lockdown rules were being followed. Once again I would like to thank you for your amazing work.



ROAD SAFETY WEEK

“Prevention is better than cure”. **Road safety** is the prevention and protection against road accidents by using all the road measures. Practicing road safety measures is good and safe for everyone. We should respect others while driving or walking on the road and take care of their safety. GTCS children presented effective safety measures to be followed while driving through various activities.



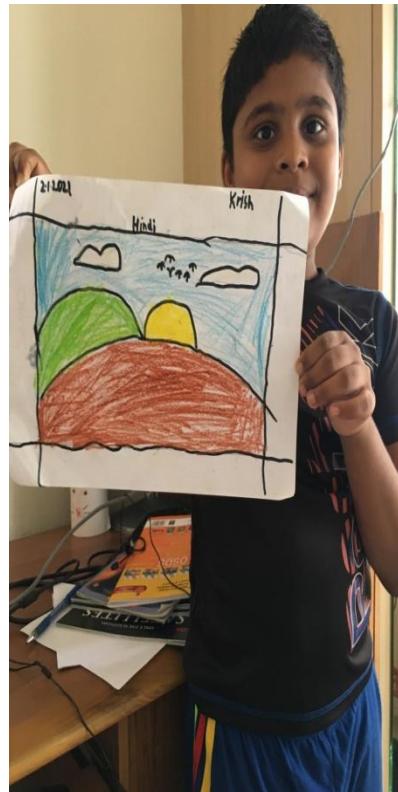
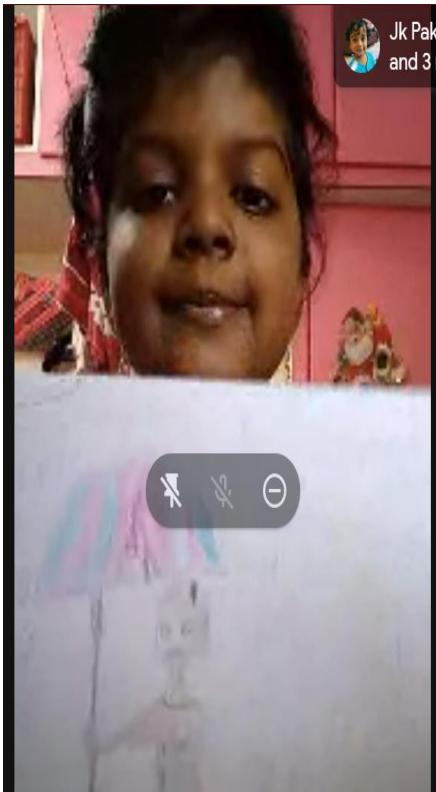
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WORLD HINDI DAY

Hindi is the fourth most-spoken first language in the world and follows the Devnagri script. It is a phonetic language, i.e. a word is pronounced by its spelling, which makes it very easy and popular with its aspirants.

Children of GTCS celebrated **World Hindi Day** through “prakriti se prerna” / “inspiration from nature” by reading simple feelings expressed by poets expressing their learning from mother nature and praising and enjoying it. Children also expressed their feelings by drawing and coloring pictures related to nature.





PONGAL CELEBRATION'S

Pongal is a four day festival celebrated in South India. The festival is celebrated to thank the Sun God for providing nourishment to the crops throughout the year. Most of the festivals in India are related to nature, and Pongal is one of them. India, being diverse in culture, has a lot of things in common. Pongal is celebrated in different parts of our nation under different names. Here is a glimpse of our students of GTCS , celebrating the festival.

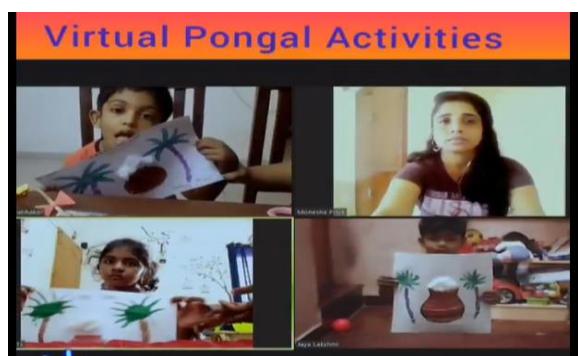


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PONGAL ACTIVITIES

" **Pongal** is the harvest festival of South India. To understand and to celebrate this festival the Junior Kindergarten kids were involved in various virtual activities. The kids painted their pot template and decorated it with decorative items. Then they pasted cotton above the pot. For the sugarcane the kids did finger painting and greeted Happy Pongal to each other. The kids also made a kite craft to mark the significance of Makar Sankranti . They understood the importance and significance of the festival.



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PONGAL ACTIVITIES

Pongal as the harvest festival coincides with observance of Lohri, Makar Sankranti and Bhogali Bihu. Gateway The Complete School ,Senior Kindergartners learnt about the Pongal Festival and its 4 days of celebrations , Lohri and Makar Sankranti.

They learnt about the uniqueness of each festival by listening to stories and rhymes. As a special event kids engaged in drawing “ Traditional Pongal Pots with Sugarcane ” , adding details like the sun , a pot with boil, draw design on pot , flame below pot , dhiya with flame , turmeric leaves , small rangoli , coconut , banana , betel leaf with nut in banana leaf and flowers.

The art was presented with colourful background , beautiful borders and carried wishes such as “ Happy Pongal 2021 ”. Drawing is an important skill that develops so many critical thinking skills for learning.





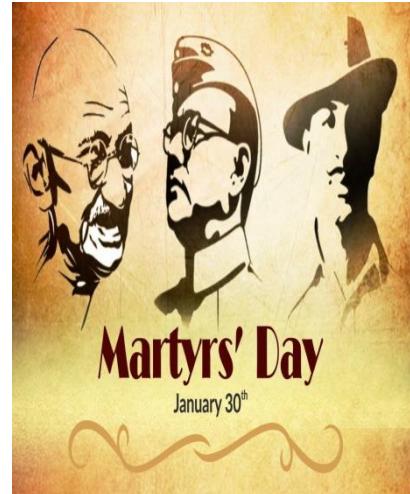
MARTYR'S DAY

Martyr's Day is celebrated on 30th January to pay homage to the victims who fought for the freedom, glory, welfare and progress of India as we are one of the 15 countries to celebrate Martyr's Day.

Martyr's Day is celebrated on 30th January to mark the death anniversary of "Father of the Nation" Mahatma Gandhi. The contribution of Mahatma Gandhi for the freedom of this contribution needs no explanation. Mahatma Gandhi played a prominent role in the freedom struggle through non-violent and peaceful methods. On 30 January, 1948 Mahatma Gandhi was murdered by Nathuram Godse in the Birla House during his evening prayers. Nathuram Vinayak Godse was an advocate of Hindu nationalism and a member of the political party Hindu Mahasabha. He was sentenced to death on 8th November 1949.

The government of India announced January 30 as Shaheed Diwas or Martyrs' Day. The President, the Vice-President, the Prime Minister, and the Defense Minister of our country get together at the Rajghat to the Samadhi of the Mahatma Gandhi and put down flowers garland at the statue of Father of the Nation' to pay homage to his contribution for our country.

India has decided to celebrate 2021 Martyrdoms Day as an Anti-Leprosy Day to promote Bapu's commitment to fighting leprosy. As citizens, we must always remember and pay tribute to the sacrifices of our martyrs.





HINDI ACTIVITY

“Any woman who understands the problems of running a home will be nearer to understanding the problems of running a country.”

– Margaret Thatcher

We all look up to strong, independent women. But how do we become one ourselves? To encourage women Equality among the young generation Hindi students of grade 5 took part in an activity where they did a role-play of famous women achievers. By engaging them in this activity they motivated themselves and also got inspired by the great personalities.



Aanya as malala
yousafzai



Viruthula as
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Krishi as Kiran
Bedi



SCIENCE ACTIVITY

Shadows are produced when light hits an opaque object which prevents the light beams from passing through. When an object blocks the light's path, then darkness appears on the other side. This darkness is called a shadow. The sun is a source of light that when it hits an object causes shadows to form. Playing with shadow is a fun activity for kids to learn about Light . They created animal shadows on the wall by using their hands with the help a flashlight. Grade 2 children enjoyed this science activity, where they created different animal shadows and had fun.



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ENGLISH ACTIVITY

Students of Grade 8 prepared a leaflet/brochure spreading awareness about Malaria. Using the features of Persuasive Language, Headings, and sub-headings.

Don't Give Them The Chance -
Mosquitoes Mean Malaria!



WEB CAMPAIGN
TO BE A SURVIVOR IN THE
WAR AGAINST MALARIA.

A preventable disease that affects almost half the world's population and causes over 660,000 deaths per year

Symptoms are fever chills and headache

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Done - Getha Varshini

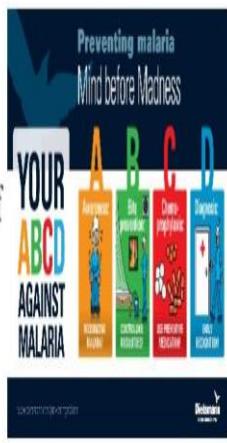
Prevent Malaria, Save lives!



Malaria is a life-threatening disease caused by parasites that are transmitted to people through the bites of infected female Anopheles mosquitoes. It is preventable and curable.



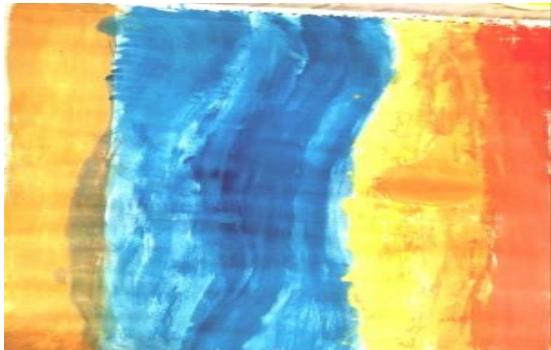
- A preventable disease that affects almost half the world's population and causes over 660,000 deaths per year
- An infection caused by the malaria parasite entering the bloodstream, usually through the bite of an infected mosquito
- 3,000 children die of malaria every day
- Mosquitoes breed where there is an abundance of humidity and rain
- Symptoms are fever chills and headache



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TALENT CORNER



Rhea Kannan – Gr 6



Vikranth Vinod Kumar- Gr 2



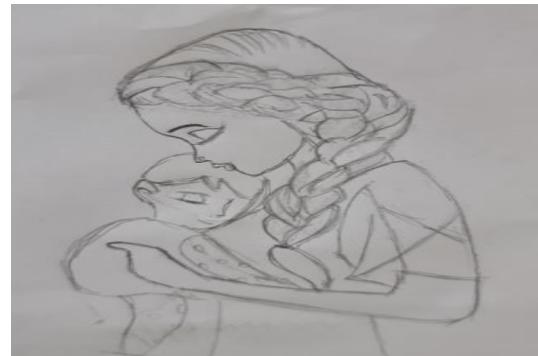
Srinaya.N – Gr 2



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Neha Prakash– Gr 5



Saru Nethra- Gr 7

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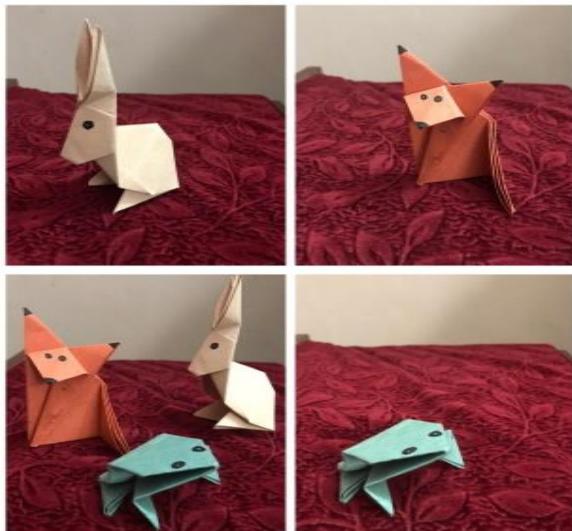
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KINDERGARTEN ACTIVITY

The 4 Seasons Palm Print Art and Step by step Drawing - A Bird (6steps) done by Senior Kindergartners



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ACHIEVEMENTS

Leap Academy organized the South Chennai level **Badminton tournament** on January 2nd 2021. Our GTCS students participated in this tournament:

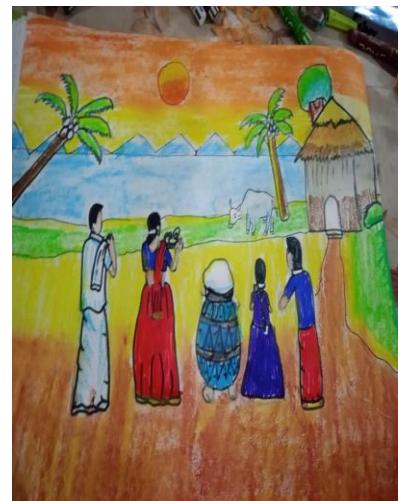
- Sabarish of Grade 8 who went on to reach the final and won!
- Nikhita and Nithilan reached the semi-finals!



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UPCOMING EVENTS.....

- ❖ **Safer Internet Day**
- ❖ **World Women's Day**
- ❖ **World Day of Social Justice**
- ❖ **National Science Day**



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