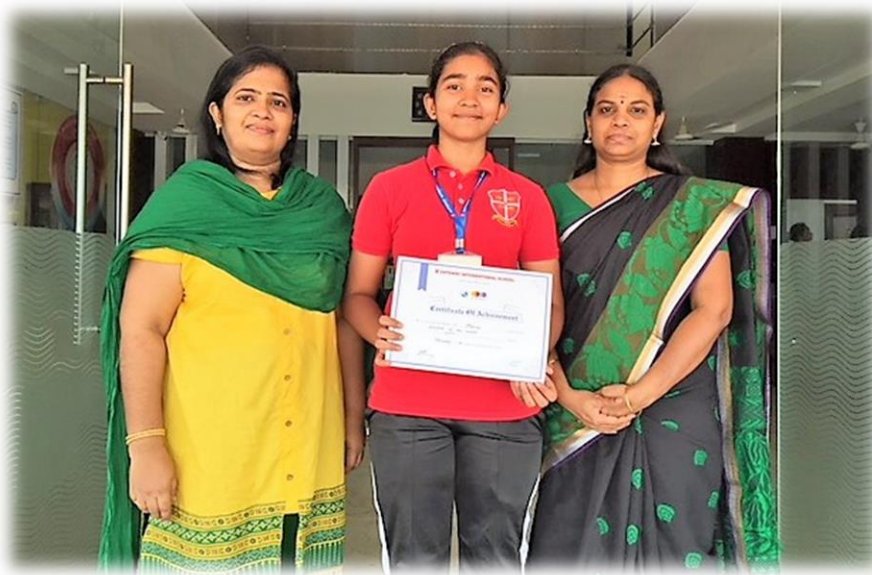




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GIS IB world school celebrated its second annual day on 3rd March, 2018 (Saturday), amidst great zest, vibrancy, and elation. Mr. Merwin Joshua, Country Director of Vision Trust International, was the honourable Chief Guest on the occasion. Among other, esteemed guests present were principal, continuum coordinator, PYP and MYP coordinators, parents, and students.

The programme commenced with a prayer song and with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp by the chief guest and principal and entailed the bouquet presentation with mementos. The principal welcomed the guests and shared the school's annual report of the past session. This was followed by prize distribution ceremony, managed by Ms. Kalpana Daniel where the honourable chief guest and the principal gave away prizes to the meritorious pupils of the school.

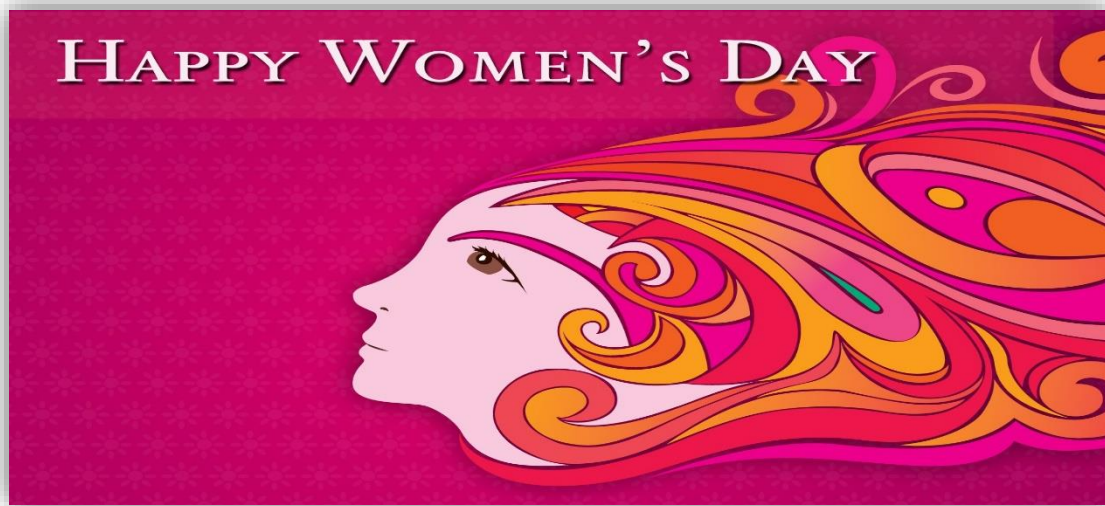
The cultural programme, based on theme "Tribes to Trends", started with a skit "Travel Through Time" where the students along with the audience time travelled to many ages. K1 & K2 tribal of stone age welcomed everyone with an African song "Funga Alafia", K3 students took us to black and white era with Charlie Chaplin whereas the Pirates of PYP 1 sailed through Eastman colour, PYP 2 rocked the stage with their colourful retro theme, PYP 3 did a super cool "DHOOM" performance, and PYP 4, 5 gave a tribute to Michel Jackson through their performance.

Budding music talents played melodious music on piano keyboard, violin, fascinating drums performances as gap fillers. When the students went to future in their time machine, they realized about the aftereffects of our irresponsible actions in the present and decided to own up the responsibility of taking care of our earth by taking an oath along with the audience.

We had the pleasure of sharing the making of "Tribes to Trends" video on screen. The programme thus gracefully culminated with the national anthem.







Women's Day Celebration

The Women wing of the Gateway International IB World Continuum School organized a special program to commemorate the 23rd International Women's Day on 8th March, 2018. All the speakers lauded the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women in the last three decades and felt that the day is also a reminder of their responsibility to achieve gender equality.

GIS IB World Continuum School advised women to scale new heights in all the aspects of life. Women are no longer a dependent soul; she is Independent and self-reliant in every respect and is capable of doing everything. Women own the rights to stand with dignity for the role they play in the society. All staffs gathered to celebrate the respect, appreciation, love and care towards women by cutting the cake. It was indeed an honour given to woman in their life; a memorable occasion for all women in this institution.

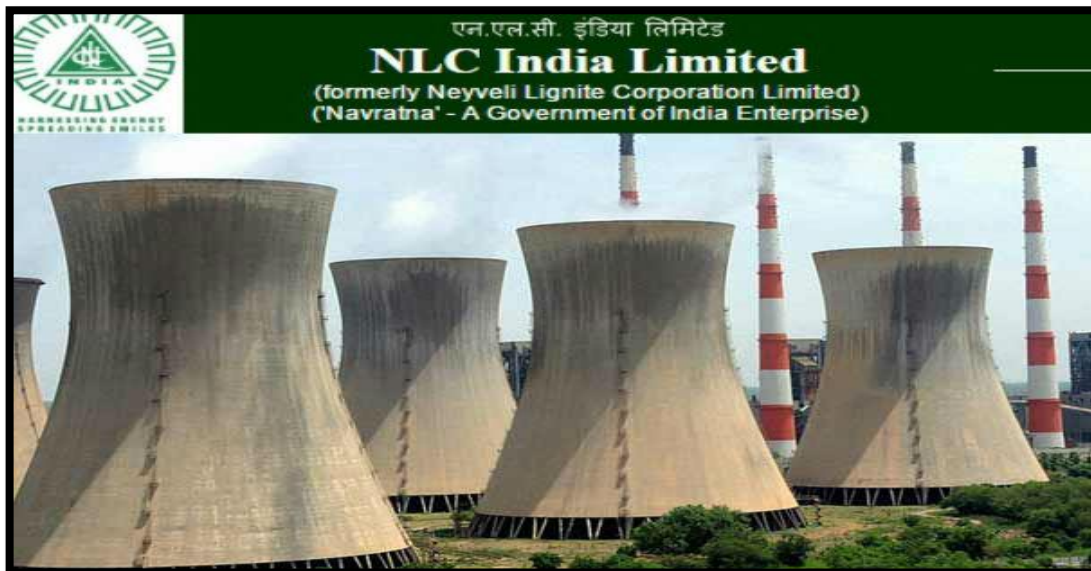




Vandalur Zoo Visit

A trip to zoo broadened the children's knowledge to embrace the whole world. There is nothing better than visiting ZOO when we learn about animals. No book, no video, no website could have been efficient enough for our K3 students' inquiry about living things and non-living things. Their connection to nature made their minds more curious and they reflected their understanding by observing animals, plants, trees and birds. They exhibited their research skills by finding out facts about animals and they were inspired by the animals to research more about them.





Neyveli Lignite Industrial Visit (Globalization & Sustainability - MYP 4, 5)

"Field trip to industrial location is a beneficial learning".

The industrial visit was organized to Neyveli Lignite Company Ltd on 16th of March 2018, especially for students of MYP 3, 4 & 5.

The main objective of the visit was to make students aware of how various activities are related to Lignite MINE. The entire trip contributed in the learning integrated with Physics, Chemistry, and Geography. As well, Globalization and Sustainability was chosen as the global context to teach and learn from hands-on experience.

The team started around 5 AM and reached Neyveli at 9:30 AM. As soon as the team reached the company they were guided by NLC officials. It was great to identify the purpose of principles; safety measures and strict rules being followed with.

The first visit was MINE 1, it occupies 273 km of area. Its life time is 10 to 15 years. Lignite is evacuated by benches, one bench is 3.5 km long, when each bench is completed by evacuating all Lignite in them, then it will be closed, and they move on to the next bench. To obtain 1 kg of Lignite, 4 kg of sand is excavated from the pressure of water which raises about 20 feet. Bore wells are used to draw water to reduce pressure. This water is supplied for surrounding district through underground pipes.

The next place was afforestation area. The complete area is covered with MINE deserts. This area was totally filled with lush greenery, mini zoo, lakes and park. Students thoroughly enjoyed the beauty of nature.

The last visit was to Museum. The 36 feet long black tree which is 50 million years old was collected from mine and preserved in the museum. Many pieces of rocks and minerals were also displayed in the museum. The GIS learners were enthralled by this visit to NLC. The whole day was very useful for the students. They had their recreation time which was way too knowledgeable for them.

The hospitality provided by authorities was highly appreciable. The entire trip was remarkably informative.



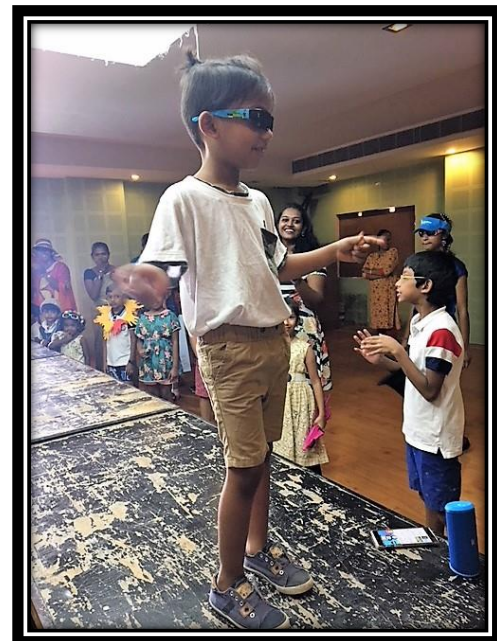
SNEAK PEEK CHILDREN'S FASHION SHOW

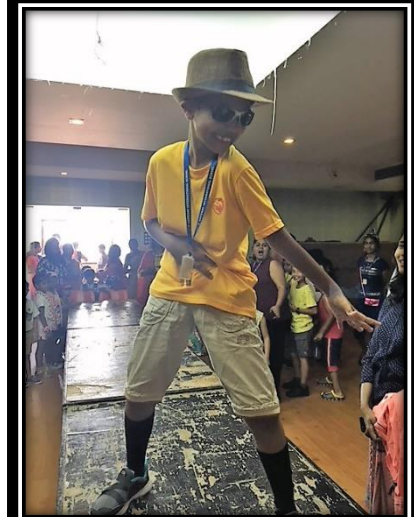
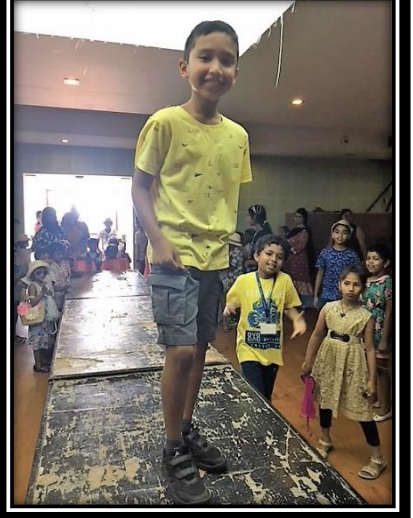


Summer Fashion Show

Kindergarten 2 of Gateway initiated cool summer activities this month for their unit. They raised fund by selling refreshment drinks in school like lemonade, paanagam, sharbat, buttermilk, raagi porridge along with fruit and protein salads. They plan to buy earthen pots to store cool water for visitors. They have also decided to help birds by keeping thirst quenchers from their fund. During that week, they also announced cash prize for “best ad jingle” to students. Many students participated with their new innovative ideas.

In order to celebrate the success of their endeavour and to attract more people to donate for this social cause, they did a summer fashion show on 19th of March 2018. PYP, MYP students also participated. The excitement of the fashion show electrified the atmosphere. Kindergarten students especially were so comfortable in the ramp walk and displayed their confidence throughout the event. It was a great atmosphere with audience cheering and clapping for them as the “models” strutted their stuff.







Transdisciplinary Theme - 'Who we are'

As the quote says, 'Journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.'- Lao Tzu

The PYP 5 students were pleased and eagerly waited for the arrival of Dr. Dhivya, from the Chettinad Hospital for the guest lecture which happened on 23rd of March 2018 about the PYP Exhibition.

The PowerPoint presentation delivered by the doctor gave them deep insight into the central idea 'Changes people experience at different stages of their lives affect their evolving sense of self.' The students keenly listened to the information and jotted down points on the body systems; Brain, Nervous, Human Heart, Respiratory, Digestive, muscular and Reproductive systems.

The most interesting part of the lecture was the knowledge about their growth and the different types of development; Intellectual, Physical, Social, Spiritual and Emotional development and the changes that take place in an individual. The theory of evolution and the basics of genetics were elucidated.

The bright sparks brainstormed and interacted with great vigour and enthusiasm.

This was followed by another guest lecture in the immediate next week on 28th of March 2018, where Dr..Shiv Bhushan Sharma, a Neurophysiologist from Chettinad Academy of Research and Education delivered the lecture. He covered a wide range of topics on the concept of human evolution with regard to the social, emotional and intellectual aspects. Also, the different stages of human life were dealt to provide the children an insight into the various issues that people encounter in their daily lives.

The students actively participated with much curiosity and inquired a lot, thereby making the session a highly interactive as well as a successful one.



Newspaper Club



We're here to help anyone make their own newspapers

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To discover the talent of articulating, writing and sharpening the management skills in children at a younger age, our school has launched a Newspaper club. The club is responsible for publishing newspaper with students created articles monthly. It will be a fair platform where the members of the school community can share their thoughts and ideas with everyone. The club will be of the students, by the students and for the students, hence instilling a strong sense of responsibility and ownership.

The club will have two teacher editors from MYP and PYP, Mr. Sathyanarayanan and Ms. Sudha respectively, who will assist the students in organizing and managing the newspaper club. Two student editors from PYP and MYP will play the crucial role of running the newspaper club. They will take responsibility in creating articles, encouraging their fellow students to create articles, collection of articles before the third week of every month and filtration of the collected articles. The club will have members from the school community who volunteers to contribute to the newspaper – students, teachers and parents. The members will play the role of young journalists – creating articles related to the theme of the month. The newly launched newspaper club is welcomed by students and teachers with a great deal of enthusiasm.





PYP 1 - Field Trip Market (Vivira Mall)

The visit to the shopping mall was a new and exciting experience for the PYP 1 students as part of their learning under the theme, 'How we organize ourselves' with the central idea 'social interaction in public places.' They saw many places being occupied by shops and keenly observed people in the big bazaar. They observed them buying groceries, clothes, and stationery items and standing in queue for their billing. The attenders helped in packing the goods, delivering them to the customers with a note of thanks.

The students were thrilled to see how public spaces were occupied by several branded stores like Pantaloons, Gini & Jony, Reliance Footprint, and Park Avenue.

The most eye-catching places were the restaurants the KFC, Dominos, and the tiny tots had their flavoured ice-cream from the McDonalds. It was indeed a great learning experience as they witnessed many places and the multiplex cinema theatre being used by the public.



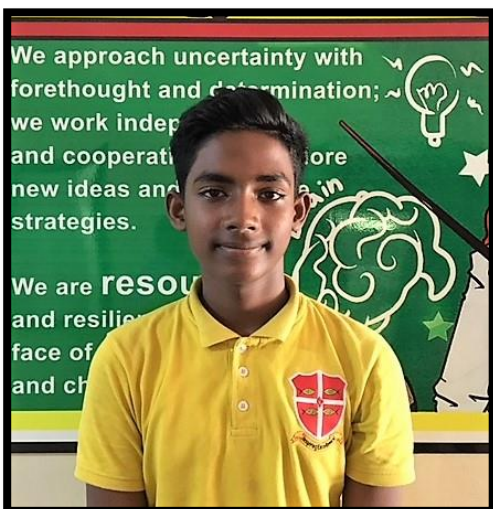
Student of the Month



Olivia Stanley Pumbadi of K2 is an inquirer. She is independent in her work and uses her knowledge and imagination in an almost ideal combination. She is very committed to her work and is the "Ms. Perfect" of our class. Whenever there is a dispute in class, she is the one to give solution to any problem. She can express her thoughts very well. She is dedicated and is accurate in her work which is very much appreciable.



Thithiksha Kumar of PYP 2 is a very caring child; her overall improvement is exceptionally good. She is very interested in reading and has improved greatly in all aspects. She has attributed to the IB learner profile of being caring and is a good thinker. She is very helpful to all her friends and shares her things with them. She is open minded and respects each other and above all it's a great pleasure having her in our class!



Steve Nathaneal of MYP 3 has a great smile that is the first thing we can see, and it seems to always be there. His positive attitude and open mindedness have helped him build his knowledge and investigate new ideas. He listens well and eagerly shares his thoughts in class room discussions. He is an inquirer and curious about the world. He can conduct research independently. He loves learning and discovering new things and ensures to exhibit this love of learning.



Uniforms

Wearing the school uniform helps to build pride and school spirit but when the correct uniform is not worn, and orbit is dirty or sloppy it does not build a culture of pride or care for one's school, hence we are asking parents to assist us by requiring their children to dress in appropriate uniform before leaving to school.

Boys: (K1 – K3 & PYP) - dark grey shorts, half sleeve white shirt, grey / black socks, tie, belt and black sports shoes; (MYP) - dark grey long pants, white half sleeve shirt, grey / black socks, tie, belt and black sports shoes. P.E. – House T-shirt, black track pants, grey / black socks and black sports shoes.

Girls: (K1 – K3 & PYP) dark grey pinafore, half sleeve white shirt, grey / black socks, tie, belt and black sports shoes; (MYP) - dark grey long pants, white half sleeve shirt, grey / black socks, tie, belt and black sports shoes. P.E. – House T-shirt, black track pants, grey / black socks and black sports shoes. Formal & sports uniform must be purchased from the school.

Kindly see that the children come in proper uniform daily to school.

Thank you for your support.



Water Bottle – Please send a metal water Bottle for each student, which also promotes plastic free zone.



TRANSPORTATION - Please contact Ms. Sushma (proib@gatewaytheschool.in) for transportation.



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