

Principal's Annual Report 2024 – 25

Honourable Chief guest, Shri. P Venkatesh Raja, our beloved Big B, Shri Bharat sir, Principal from GTAVM – Dr. Sundar ji, all our guests from GT Group of Institutions, dear parents, students, the teaching and non-teaching staff...

A warm welcome to this pleasant evening. My sincere gratitude to you all for being a part of our 11th Annual Day – Reflexionz 24 - 25.

It's my honor to reflect upon our key endeavors during this academic year.

We had the CBSE results of Class X. Our fifth batch of Class X continued with the tradition of cent percent results.

Master Rahul R was our Class 10 topper.

The school shall stick to its tagline – School Beyond Education and strive to mould the children for the trending demands of our society.

In line with NEP2020, students of classes 4, 6, and 9 appeared for the SAFAL examinations organized by CBSE in the subjects English, Math and EVS/ Science. This may become a mandatory examination annually.

Abacus was introduced to all students of classes 1 – 3 and Vedic Math for class 7. Henceforth, we are planning to have Abacus for classes 1 – 5 and Vedic Math for classes 6 – 8.

Our Hindi syllabus for classes 1-8 is in sync with Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha's; while all the children are trained for Parichay, Prathmic, and Madhyama, the interested children are taken to Prachar Sabha Examinations every year.

Remedial Classes after school hours were initiated for below-average students with their parents' consent; we shall make it more productive with better focus and plan henceforth.

After the healthy participation and positive feedback on CBSE's reading challenge and budding authors' programmes, we are planning to revive the class library with monthly and weekly newspapers/magazines.

Inter House Competitions continued for the third successive year to identify and bring out the co-scholastic skills of our children. The competitions were interspersed throughout the academic year to balance the academic activities and sustain the competitive spirit. Inter-house competitions for teachers were also conducted.

The winners from over 40 competitions across the four houses shall be honored in the Annual Awards Ceremony slated for the month of April.

The prelude to these Inter House Competitions was the first co-scholastic activity of every academic year – the Investiture Ceremony in June. Our House Masters conferred the office-bearers for each house.

August is truly Augustus for GTGI. Parampara is our annual pinnacle event to commemorate our visionary Chairman Sanghvi Kantilal Doshi's birth anniversary. This year, our Founder's Day saw 08 schools competing in as many as 04 on-stage events and 14 off-stage events.

Great Harvest Vidyalaya from Morai clinched the overall championship for the second time. They were honored with a cash award of Rs. 10,000. Velammal Vision from Ponneri were the runners; they were honored with a cash award of Rs. 5,000.

Our students participated in the TriLingual Elocution Competition organized by Sedhu Bhaskara MHS on Aug 31st. Next is the Mime Competition, organized by Kaligi Ranganathan Montford School, on Aug 24th.

Our Secondary section students participated in the Shark Tank, Treasure hunt, Mystery murder, and Justice junction competitions conducted in Chennai Public School.

47 Students of grade C01 to C03 took part in Abacus & 16 students of grade C07 participated in the Vedic Math National Annual competition, conducted by Neo GEFMAT Academies. 7 students won prizes in Abacus & 2 in Vedic Math.

Our student, Kanish Kumaran of C07, has bagged Third place in an Archery competition conducted by Tiruvallur District Indoor and Outdoor Archery Association & Crown Academy.

Nitheesh of C04 secured second place & Rajveer of C04 & Karki of C07 won third place in the Silambam competition conducted by Sangamam Sports Academy.

Students from classes C06 to C09 participated in the Wild Wisdom Global Challenge 2024, a competition organized by WWF-India, Tamil Nadu State. They actively took part in all three rounds of the challenge and were awarded certificates for their efforts.

Our HR team organized a Women's Sports Meet on June 30th, bringing together talented athletes from various teams. Our GTVM team emerged as the champions, showcasing outstanding performance, teamwork, and determination.

While the students were exhibiting their potential to their kith and kin, three of our teachers fetched the Best Teachers' Awards – Ms. Nisha, Secondary section Coordinator from Jai Gopal Garodia Hindu Charitable Trust Rotary Club, Ms. Sangeetha Preparatory section Coordinator from Chennai Sahodaya - Zone 8; Our Middle section Coordinator Ms. Sasirekha has received "AACHARYA MANI" best teacher award from Chennai Sahodaya Schools Complex on 20th Dec.

It's not all about competitions and prizes. Everyday life at GTVM is focused on honing & tuning the values & skills of our children.

The Foundation & Preparatory Section begins their daily assembly with engaging activities, including LSRW (Listening, Speaking, Reading,

and Writing) skills, storytelling, rhymes, and Thirukural recitations. The Middle & Secondary Sections conduct their assembly with interactive activities, fostering creativity, critical thinking, and collaboration.

Similarly, lunchtime prayers before and after lunch are an attempt to inculcate the value of thoughtfulness and gratitude to all the stakeholders in preparing that food. Also, the students are trained for table manners during lunch in a common dining hall. Experiencing the joy of sharing is practiced year after year by contributing to the less privileged; our school associated itself with Uthavum Nanbargal at Pakkam and Aadharavu home at Arani during the festival occasions.

We have Life skill and ECA classes in a week on Tuesday and Thursday in link with NCERT curriculum. For Example: Life Skills: Abacus, Vedic Math, Mehendi, Painting, Crochet, and Gardening. ECA: Karate, Silambam, Classical, Western, Archery, Badminton, Throw Ball, and Volleyball.

Students of LKG – C02 were taken to VGP Snow Kingdom & students of preparatory section was taken to Sempozhil, Oru Gramathu Thiruvizha organised in YMCA Grounds, Nandanam exploration together with their friends and teachers helped students to learn about the diverse native livestock breeds of Tamil Nadu, our deep rooted and evolved traditional farming practices, the importance of organic food, the value of leading a low impact lifestyle and ways to do the same. That was a feast for the mind, body, and soul.

Training for Teachers:

1. Workshop for Teachers Handling C01 - C08 – Eduvate
2. Learning outcomes and pedagogies to Teachers - Alchlonist Mr. Vasudevan

3. National Curriculum Framework - Foundational Stage to Teachers
- Brindha Dhanalakshmi, Life Coach and Advisor.
4. Burlington English - Workshop on Pronunciation in collaboration with CSSC
5. Financial Literacy.

Here is a quick glimpse of some of the key happenings: Yoga Day, Fathers Day, Ganesh Chaturthi, Navratri Golu culminating in Aksharabhyasam, Krishna Jayanthi, Children's Day, Teachers' Day, Christmas Celebrations, Diwali, Pongal Celebrations, World Environmental Day, Independence Day, Raksha Bandhan, and Republic Day.

A free eye camp was organised in the school campus in collaboration with M.N Eye hospital, providing parents, students and staff with essential eye check-ups.

As a part of an experimental initiative, we are currently providing refreshments and lunch for a limited number of students. Looking ahead, we are exploring the possibility of introducing a day boarding School.

And now, you are a part of this penultimate event of this Academic Year – Reflexionz 2024-25. Hope this evening will be a cherishable one for every one of you. We'll soon meet again in the Annual Awards Ceremony.

Thank you for your time.