



The 2<sup>nd</sup> Term commenced on 28th September 2020 and we take this opportunity to thank you dear parents for your kind support extended and for encouraging your wards to enthusiastically attend their Online Classes, inspite of the continued challenges faced by the Management, Teachers, Parents and Students due to the Pandemic.

These months being filled with celebrations and observances, many activities were conducted online for all the students and we wish to thank you for inspiring them to participate actively in these online Celebrations and Observances.

We wanted to engage them in meaningful activities which developed their intellectual and creative capabilities. This was made possible through the resilience and reassurance which was instilled in the young minds that we would overcome this Pandemic crisis.

## CHRYSALIS

Chrysalis was initiated in the KG classes to focus on the Interactive Play way method to spark the interests as well as to nurture learning and develop key skills. It is based on objectives that cover the four domains of early childhood developments (Physical, Cognitive, Language and Communication, Social and Emotional Domains).

The Following were the list of Celebrations and Observances which were conducted online and the children took active participation. Pictures and Screen shots were taken and uploaded in the School App, Facebook, Instagram and on WhatsApp Groups.

“Helping Students find a path to purpose is one of the noblest aspects of Teaching.”  
- Vicki Zakrzewski

## CLIMATE CARTOON CONTEST

Students from std 1 to 5 participated in the Climate Cartoon Contest 2020 and got prizes. The Cartoon contest was conducted by the SRM Institutions, Chennai, which was based on different themes related to nature.



## ANIMAL WELFARE DAY

Animal Welfare Day was observed on 4th October 2020 in which the Students from Class 1 to 5 drew pictures of animals and coloured it. They also made models of wild animals using clay.



## FOOD DAY

Food Day was observed on 8th October 2020. The children from class 1 to 5 prepared protein rich food.

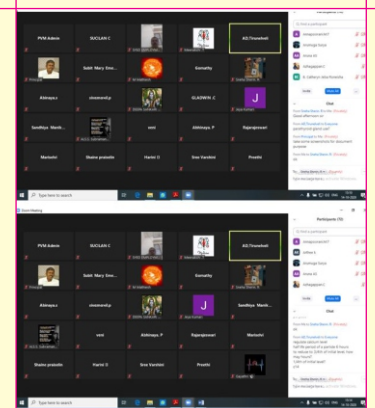


## WORLD POSTAL DAY:

World Postal Day was observed on 9th October 2020. Students wrote letters to their grandparents and posted them in a Post box.

## CAREER GUIDANCE PROGRAM

An Online Career Guidance Program was organised for students of Class 11 and Class12 by Mr. Hari Baskar, Assistant Director of Employment and Mr. Syed Mohammed District Employment Officer, on 14th October 2020. This session was extremely interesting and informative as the students learned about various career options and the employment opportunities. This session was very useful for the higher secondary students since they gained knowledge on the list of courses to choose from and the available employment opportunities.



## GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

Global Handwashing Day was observed on 15th October 2020. The Students of Class 1 to 5 made posters on handwashing day and took pictures of them washing their hands. They also learned the right way of washing their hands.



## NAVARATRI CELEBRATIONS

Navratri is solely dedicated to Goddess Durga and her nine Avatars – the Navadurga. To commemorate this, in our school we celebrated Navratri in a grand manner. Several activities were conducted on Navaratri. The Children from Class 1 to 5 dressed up like Gods and Goddesses. Golu was also displayed in our school premises. The highlight in our school Golu was “RamarPattabishekam”. The Students of Class 6 to Class 9 discussed how Navaratri was celebrated in other States in India. They also presented about the Navadhaniyam in Navaratri.



## SCIENCE DAY:

“World Science Day” was observed on November 10th 2020 for class 1 to 5. A Roleplay, Experiments related to plants and its growth and Poster Designing were done by the students. The theme of this year’s “World Science Day” was also discussed in the online classes.



## CHILDREN'S DAY AND DIWALI CELEBRATIONS:

Children's Day and Diwali were celebrated by conducting activities like word game, puzzles, poster making and fashion show, models of diyas using colour papers for the children of class 1 to 5 on November 12th 2020. All the activities were conducted online. The children also made posters to depict ways to celebrate a safe Diwali.

As a part of Children's Day and Diwali Online celebrations, the students from Class 6 to Class 10 were engaged in making different varieties of Ladoos, Poster Making, Making Lamps using Maida and Poem and Slogan writing.





The Students of Class 10 created their own festival and wrote an essay with illustrations on how the festival will be celebrated.

The students of Class XI and XII shared their thoughts on Random acts of kindness through PPT and speeches as a part of Online Diwali celebrations.



## NATIONAL MATHS DAY

National Mathematics Day is celebrated every 22nd December with numerous educational events held at schools in remembrance of the Mathematical genius SrinivasaRamanujam. Since the school is conducting online classes, a weeklong celebration was organised for children from Class 1 to Class 9. The students were engrossed in making models using Mathematical Concepts like Multiplication Towers, Fraction Flowers, Lockdown Breakfast activity of Integers, Area and Perimeter City and Golden Ratio Tower.

STD II	Multiplication tower		A child Showcases a Multiplication Tower made by her
STD VI	Lock Down Breakfast activity of Integers		Breakfast using Integers during lockdown being displayed
STD VIII	Area and Perimeter City		A child designs a city using Area and Perimeter
STD IX	Golden ratio Buildings		A pyramid is being displayed using Golden Ratio Method

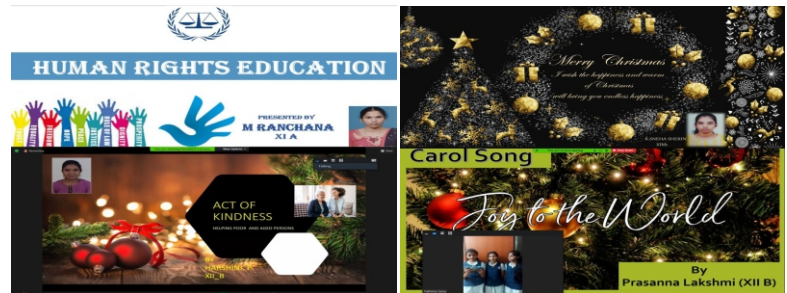
## ESSENCE OF CLIMATE AND WEATHER

ISRO conducted a lecture series on 4th December 2020 and 10th December 2020 with an aim to sensitize students of Class 11 and Class 12 about the essence of climate and weather and their implications on society. Students actively participated in this lecture which was very informative.

## SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

### HUMAN RIGHTS DAY AND CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Human Rights Day and Christmas Celebration was observed and celebrated online through a Special Assembly on 11th December 2020. Students from Class XI and Class XII showcased their talents by way of speeches, presentations and a documentary on Human Rights. The students also sang Christmas Carols. This Assembly was truly informative and enjoyable.



### SOIL DAY AND CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Soil Day and Christmas Celebration was organised on the 15th December, 2020 through a Special Online Assembly for students of Class 6 to Class 8. The unique qualities and importance of various types of soil were well explained by the students of VI through their role play. A slide show was presented on the 'Impacts of Soil Pollution'. A pledge was taken by the students to preserve and protect the soil.

Following the Soil Day Observance, Christmas Celebrations commenced. The school choir sang Christmas Carols and the importance of nativity scene was explained. The program ended with a mind-blowing Santa Claus dance. The presentation was indeed commendable.





## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

A special Assembly was observed online to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilize support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities. They were made to think about the obstacles faced by the disabled people in their day today life. The life of the disabled people who have reached the summit of success was depicted by a vibrant role play by our children. Poems

were read which spoke the minds of the disabled children. Some possible ways to make life comfortable for the disabled were instructed through a power point presentation. An inspiring video was played on the theme "Turning disabilities into Ability".

The second part of the session was Christmas celebration. It started with the real meanings of the Symbols of Christmas. Our children sang

songs to welcome baby Jesus into our hearts. The program came to an end with a spectacular event- 'The Santa's wishes'.

The program was indeed a resounding success through which our children enjoyed a lot and were imbued by information shared.

## WORLD MOUNTAIN DAY AND CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

A special online assembly was conducted on December 16 for class 1 to 5 to celebrate "World Mountain Day and Christmas". Mr. Maria Antony was invited as the chief guest for this assembly. He is a nature educator and he shared a few words about nature. He spoke about the different aspects of nature which induced the interest for nature and the children enriched their knowledge about nature. Different programs were conducted to raise

awareness among the children about conservation of mountains and to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. The children actively participated and showcased their talents. Their presentation, speeches and discussions took everyone spellbound. This Special Online Assembly was indeed informative, enjoyable and motivated everyone to take care of nature and also to celebrate this Christmas by way of sharing and love.



## THE FOLLOWING WERE THE WEBINARS ATTENDED BY THE TEACHERS DURING THE 2ND TERM:

Date	Topic	Resource Person	Organiser	Participant
10th Oct' 20	World Mental Health Day	Dr. Ramkumar Sethupathy	Rungila Neuro +Adaptive Learning Pvt Ltd.	Ms. Durga, Ms. Latha, Ms. Meena
11th Oct' 20	Developing Mathematical thinking using spreadsheets - session 2	Dr. Jonaki Ghosh	Tata Institute of Social Sciences - Mumbai	Ms. Latha
12th Oct' 20	New Education Policy: Boon, bane or what?	Dr. N.V. Varghese & Rishi	IIT, Chennai	Ms. Durga, Ms. Latha, Ms. Meena
5th Nov' 20	Good Teacher to Great Teacher	Dr. C. Sylendrababu	Madurai Sahodhya	All Teachers
7th Nov' 20	Emotional Intelligence for Personal and Professional Effectiveness	Mr. J. Nagarajan	Rungila Neuro Adaptive Learning Pvt Ltd.	Ms. Latha, Ms. Meena
4th Dec' 20		R. Anandakumar, IAS	MSSC	All Teachers

## WEBINARS – Pushpalata Learned Digital Education YouTube Channel:

### Dr. Arul Vijayakumar

Start the great cycling revolution. Cycling improves health, saves fuel and also the environment.

The students from Class 9 to Class 12 learned more about this versatile and fun sport through Dr. Arul Vijayakumar, MS, DNB (CTS), who was our esteemed guest speaker on our YouTube channel "PushpalataLearnEd" on 10th October 2020 at 10.15am (IST). He spoke on the topic "Cycle 4 Change in Nellai". He is the Bicycle Mayor of Tirunelveli (BYCS – Netherlands)

The students were greatly inspired and understood the importance of cycling not only in terms of healthy body but also about how it protects the environment and our natural resources.

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**TOPIC:** CYCLE 4 CHANGE IN NELLAI

**DR. ARUL VIJAYAKUMAR** MS, DNB(CTS)  
Assistant Prof. Dept of Cardiothoracic Surgery,  
Tirunelveli Medical College and Apollo Hosp Madurai And  
Bicycle Mayor of Tirunelveli (BYCS- Netherlands)

**Date:** 10/10/20  
**Time:** 10:15 am

**YouTube** Pushpalata LearnEd LIVE

### Ms. Deepika Jeyakodi

It was a great privilege to have Ms. DeepikaJeyakodi, an Adv. LL.M, specialising in Air Space Law, Leiden University as our esteemed speaker on our YouTube channel "PushpalataLearnEd" – "Knowledge Series" on 16th October 2020. She spoke on the topic "Our Future in Spaces."

During her speech she gave an introduction to the Space Economy, Space Law, the future of Space Resource Utilization, Debris and Space Habitats.

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**KNOWLEDGE SERIES**

**OUR FUTURE IN SPACE**

**MS. DEEPIKA JEYAKODI**  
@B.A.,B.L (TNDALU)  
Adv. LL.M, (Air and Space Law ,Leiden University)

**Topic:** Introduction to the space economy, space law, and the future of space resource utilization, debris, and space habitats.

**Date:** 16 OCT 20  
**Time:** 4 pm

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### Ms. Aarti C. Rajaratnam

It was a great privilege to have Ms. Aarti C Rajaratnam, a Psychologist, Author, NLP Master Practitioner and a Trainer, as our esteemed speaker on our YouTube channel "PushpalataLearnEd" – "Expert Talks" in association with Oxford University Press, on 19th November 2020. She spoke on the topic "Finding Inner Calm in Chaotic Times."

During her speech she gave an insight on how to tackle during this unprecedented pandemic situation and how to keep calm in this tech world.

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**OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS**

**EXPERT TALKS**

**AARTI C RAJARATNAM**  
Psychologist, Author, NLP Master Practitioner & Trainer

**TOPIC:** FINDING INNER CALM IN CHAOTIC TIMES

**DATE:** 19 NOVEMBER 2020  
**TIME:** 5 pm

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## Ms. Janaki Sabesh

It was a great privilege to have Ms. Janaki Sabesh, an Actor, Storyteller, Author and the Founder of Golpo Tales as our esteemed speaker on our YouTube channel "PushpalataLearnEd – Expert Talks" in association with COLLINS, on 20th November 2020 at 6 pm (IST). She spoke on the topic "Tales that Made Me" – "My Stories of Dreams, Passion and Encouragement."

During her speech she gave an insight on how to immerse 100% in what we do. Our dreams are worthless if we do not work on it. Hence each of us must work towards it and success will be assured.

## Mr. Alphonse Roy

It was a great privilege to have Mr. Alphonse Roy, one of India's Premiere and legendary Wildlife Cinematographers as our esteemed speaker on our YouTube channel "PushpalataLearnEd" on 27th November 2020 at 6pm (IST). He spoke on the topic "The Call of the Wild".

He is a native of Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli and has travelled widely and filmed wildlife in Africa, Amazon river, Bhutan, Srilanka & India.

Alphonse Roy came to fame when Animal Planet decided to shoot a film on him titled Great Cats of India - Tiger, Lion, Leopard and Snow Leopard.

He is the recipient of many national and International Awards.

It was indeed a fascinating speech where he shared his experience with the wildlife.

## Dr.Mohanasundar / Mr. Platosen Samarasam – Journey Through SDG's

It was a great privilege and pride to have TWO Alumni of Pushpalata Matric Hr. Sec. School – Dr.Mohanasundar, Humanitarian and Sanitation Engineer, Netherlands and Mr. PlatosenSamarasam, Organic Agriculturist, as our esteemed speakers on our YouTube channel "PushpalataLearnEd – Alumni Connect" on 2nd December 2020 at 5pm (IST). They spoke on the topic "Journey Through SDG's (Sustainable Development Goals)". Dr.MohanasundarRadhakrishnan (Mohan) hails from an agrarian society in Tamil Nadu, India. He is an alumni of Pushpalata Matriculation school (1998 Batch). He would soon start working as Water and Habitation Engineer with International Red Cross Committee (ICRC), coordinating the rehabilitation of water supply systems in Iraq.

## Platosen Samarasam

Managing Director, ZUWA Organic Farms Pvt Ltd., has completed his B. Tech in Industrial Biotechnology from Anna University Guindy and MBA from Xavier Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship (XIME). He has also worked as Professor of Marketing in his Alma Matter XIME.

The students, Parents and Teacher were inspired by their speech on their experiences and their Journey through SDG's.

## Dr. V. IraiAnbu, IAS

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DR. V. IRAI ANBU, IAS.,  
TOPIC:  
அன்புள்ள மாணவனே!  
DECEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 IN THE EVENING  
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புஷ்பலதாபள்ளிக் குழுமம் வலையொளியில் 11.12.2020 வெள்ளிக்கிழமையன்று மாலை 6.30 மணிக்கு டாக்டர். வெ. இறையன்பு IAS அவர்கள் "அன்புள்ள மாணவனே" என்ற தலைப்பில் புஷ்பலதா பள்ளி மாணவர்கள், பெற்றோர்கள் மற்றும் ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு உரையாற்றினார். "நல்ல மனிதனாக வாழத் தேவையானது, ஒழுக்கம், காலந்தவறாமை, அறநூல்களைப் படித்தல், நன்றி மறவாமை, அன்புள்ளவனாக இருத்தல்" என்ற நன்னெறிகளை, மாணவர்களின் மனதில் தனது எழுச்சியூட்டும் பேச்சின் மூலம்

**Conclusion:** The 2nd Terminal Examinations were conducted online and it commenced on 14th December 2020. The children were engrossed in the examinations and the revisions began a week before the commencement of the exams. The school closed for Christmas Vacation and there was an air of joy and happiness in everyone's eyes.

As we look past these 7 months, we reminisce the challenges we came across. Nothing would have been possible without the cooperation of the Students and the support of the Management, Parents and Teachers.

We are looking forward to seeing a peaceful, safe and a wonderful 2021, where the world will fight over all viruses and diseases and will become a better place to live in. We also pray to the Almighty that everything returns to normal very soon and everyone of us roll back to the normal way of life.

### "Faith is positive thinking"

Faith in the Supreme Intelligence comes from an inner feeling that there is something greater than you, a supreme being that indwells one's essential spirit. When one is enriched with abiding faith one is able to recognize the divine grace operating in all things. In summary, we can think of faith as the power of positive thinking that carries us from one experience of grace to the next.

# 2021

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!