

2023 - 2024

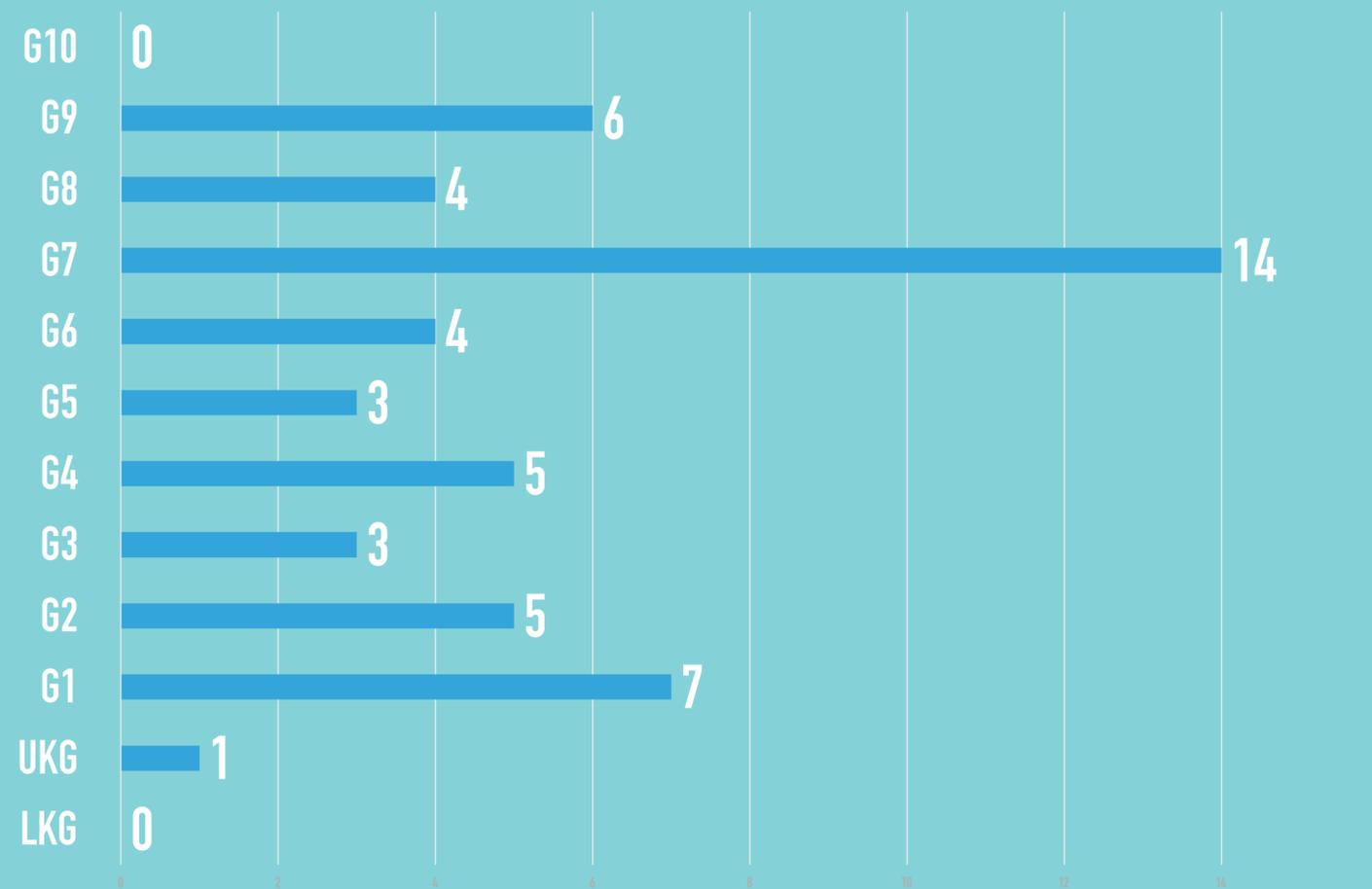
SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

OVERVIEW

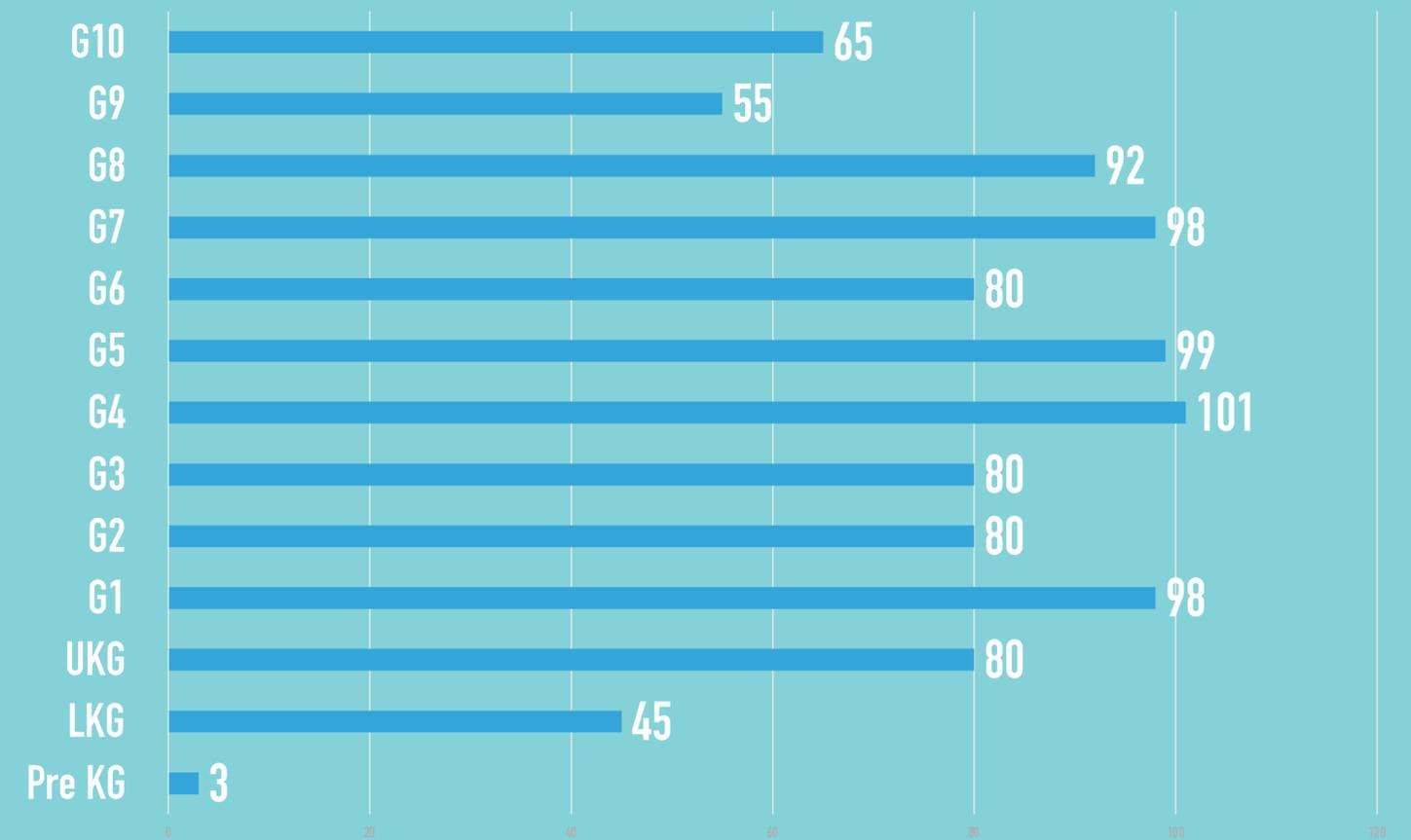
We are pleased to present the School Annual Report, which provides a comprehensive overview of the accomplishments and progress made by our institution during the academic year. This report serves as a testament to the collective efforts and dedication of our students, staff, and faculty in ensuring the success of our school community. Through various activities, events, and achievements, we have strived to provide a well-rounded education and create a nurturing environment for our students' holistic development.

STUDENT ENROLMENT ANALYSIS

23-24_Withdrawals



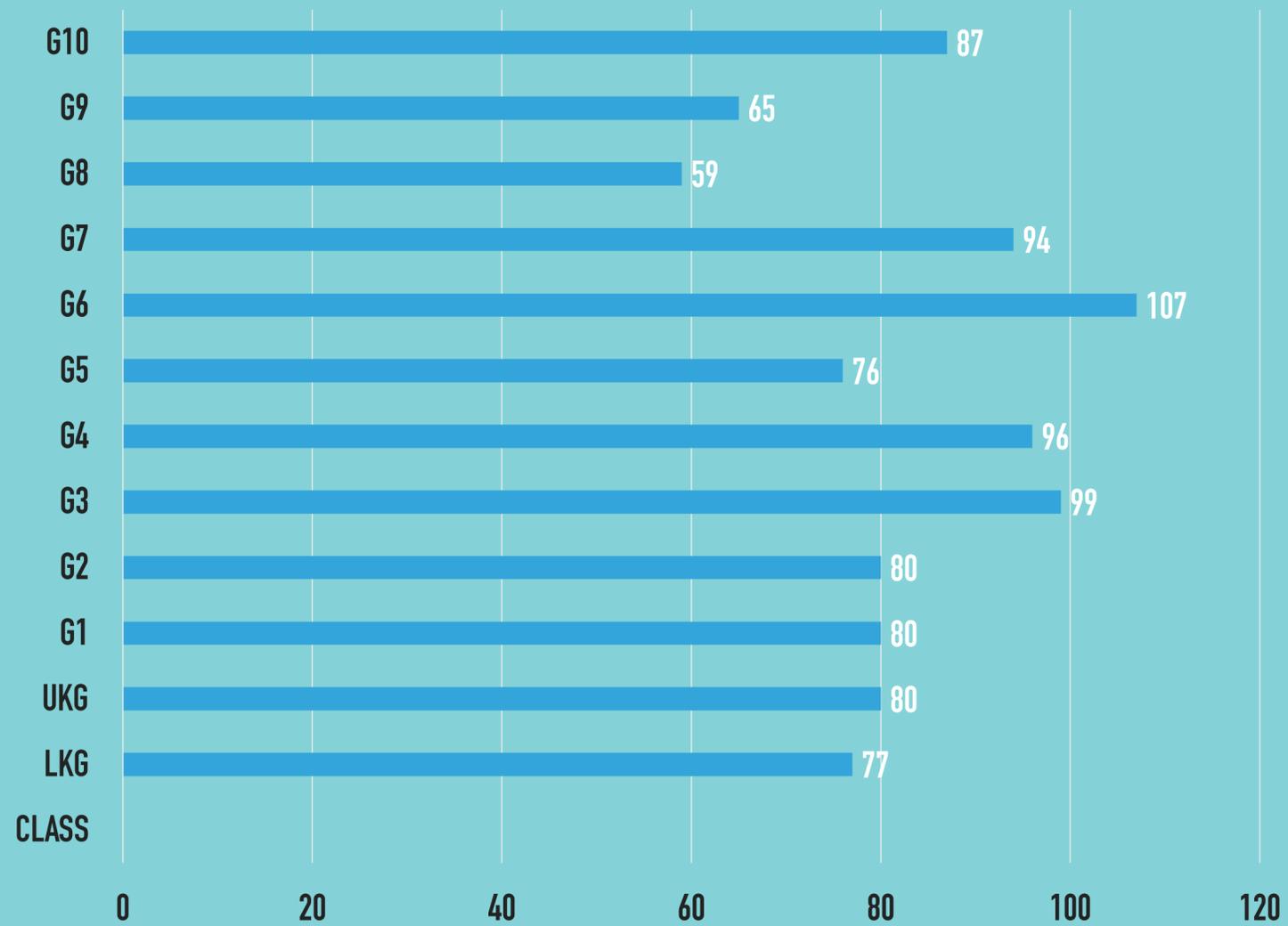
23-24_New Admissions



STAFF STRENGTH

22-23 STAGE WISE STRENGTH

23-24 CLASS WISE STRENGTH



STAGES	STRENGTH
Kindergarten	157
Primary School	431
Middle School	260
Secondary School	152

STAFF STRENGTH

STAFF CATEGORY	STRENGTH
Teaching Staff	53
Administrative Staff	9
School Counselor	2
Support Staff	12
Security	3
Transport	13

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

The school's annual academic report, encompassing Grades 3 to 10, reflects varied performance averages across sections. Notably, Grade 3 and Grade 4 classes maintain relatively higher averages, while Grade 5 and Grade 10 exhibit disparities. To address individual needs, tailored learning programs have been initiated for struggling students. The school remains committed to fostering improvement and ensuring the holistic development of each student. Ongoing efforts aim to elevate academic achievements and provide targeted support where necessary, fostering a conducive learning environment for all.

SCHOOL RESULTS

Academic report

	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10
A	76.9	75.7	61.6	68.6	70.8	62.6	68.2	79.0
B	77.2	73.7	64.5	68.8	66.5	67.1	65.2	
C	75.3	73.2		65	67.7			

LEARNOMETER RESULTS

The Learnometer report for G1 to G8 reveals a slight decline in the school's overall percentage, dropping from 82 to 79 this year. Notably, subject-specific percentages for English, Math, and Science exhibit mixed trends. While English and Science scores improved, climbing from 83 to 85 and 83 to 80, respectively, Math saw a dip from 80 to 73. It's crucial to acknowledge the change in testing conditions, as last year's Learnometer test was conducted at home, contrasting with this year's school-based assessment, potentially influencing score variations.

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LEARNOMETER PERFORMANCE REPORT

	Overall Score	English	Math	Science
2022-23	82	83	80	83
2023-24	79	85	73	80

BOARD RESULTS

CBSE RESULTS 23-24 CLASS X	
Total number of students appeared	87
Total number of students passed	87
Total number of Distinctions	59
Total number of First Divisions	22
Total number of Second Divisions	6
Total number of students failed/did not appear	-

NAME OF THE STUDENT	%
JISHNU K	98.4
BHARADWAJ MURARI H	95.8
MOHAMMED AYAAN S A	94.8
LEENEEHA R	92.4
KANISH V	92.4

STRATEGIES FOR IMPROVEMENT AND SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

Monthly benchmark tests have been implemented to track individual student development. We identified students in need of support and scheduled additional one-hour sessions for grades 3 to 9 every evening, Monday through Friday. To support Kinder to grade 2 students, we designed brief conversations and phonics videos for parents to help their children learn at home. Ms. Jayashree, a dedicated special educator, leads 40 specialized lessons daily for grade 1 and 2 children (a total of 13) to help them improve their reading abilities and close the learning gap.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR STAFF

- (i) on 11.04.23, The CBSE organized a Financial Literacy event at DAV BHEL School. attended by Ms. Fathima, Ms. Lalitha, Ms. Josephine, Ms. Shalini, Ms. Bharathi, Ms. Komal, Ms. Latha, Ms. Shanmugapriya, and Ms. Kruthika. The session aimed to enhance their financial knowledge and skills.
- ii) The Essential School Leadership Program, a transformative 5-day workshop held in Dhepewada, Pune from 15.9.23 to 19.9.23, was organized by Shikshangan Education Initiatives. Renowned educators Ms. Devika Nadig and Mr. Vijay Gupta led sessions on Personal, Organisational, and Academic Leadership, enlightening participants, including Ms. Fathima and Ms. Kaveri Priya.
- (iii) Aksara Vidhyamandir, Tiruvannamalai hosted offline Capacity Building training Program in "life-skills" On 16/09/23 Saturday 09.00am to 04.30pm. Our physical education trainer Mr Rahul attended the workshop and came with insightful ideas.
- (iv) The AMPS Edu Expo and Conclave 2023 on Oct 07 & 08 was a dynamic day of learning, collaboration, and innovation in education. Approximately 18 teachers engaged in insightful webinars covering specific subjects, curriculum updates, and motivational topics. It fostered a vibrant exchange of ideas, enhancing the educational landscape.
- (v) On 17.10.23, Ms. Rashmi attended the "Training the Trainers" workshop on STEM Education by Dr. J. Daniel Chellappa, an eminent nuclear scientist. The session focused on mastering the art of teaching Science, providing valuable insights into effective pedagogical approaches for educators in the STEM field.
- (vi) Teachers from Kindergarten to Grade 8 actively participate in weekly Xseed webinars conducted online. These sessions serve as a valuable platform for staying abreast of the latest Xseed implementation strategies, fostering continuous professional development, and enhancing the overall classroom experience for students.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The School of Excellence awards honor the children who shows commitment and consistent towards success

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EVOLVING AWARDS

The school arranged and engaged in a range of contests and competitions, spanning both intra-school and inter-school events. These activities motivated students to exhibit their knowledge, abilities, and talents within a competitive environment, nurturing a culture of wholesome competition, critical thinking, creativity, and persistence.

CLICK HERE - [School Evolving Minds](#).

CO-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS

We've enriched our students' experiences with a wide range of extracurricular activities, offering ample chances for them to delve into their interests and skills. Our school has orchestrated a diverse lineup of events, encompassing sports tournaments, cultural celebrations, community initiatives, assemblies, Swachhta Pakhwada, project showcases, STEAM Fair, EBSB, Young Innovator Contests, Open house sessions, competitions, and various clubs. These engagements have not just fostered attributes like collaboration, ingenuity, and leadership in our students but have also played a pivotal role in their holistic growth and progress.

INTER HOPUSE SPORTS

The Inter House sports event concluded with a grand celebration on our school grounds, marking Dry Run 1 & 2 as the Overall Sports Championship for the year 2023-24. They showcased a strong performance, maintaining their lead throughout the competitions. Several athletes claimed the Individual Championship for the year 2023-24. In Dry Run 1 held on November 4th, 2023, Dana Sree.V from G2A (Grands) and Lokamithran.M from G2A (Tylers) secured the top positions in Division 1 for girls and boys respectively. In Division 2, Rajashree.S from G3B (Alpines) and Adhvik.J.G from G3A (Tylers) emerged victorious for girls and boys respectively. Division 3 saw Sujeshvika.P from G5B (Himalayans) and Dhanvin Raj.U from G5A (Alpines) clinching the titles for boys and girls. In Dry Run 2 held on November 18th, 2023, Sanjana.A from G8A (Alpines) and Sreenik Varshith.T from G8A (Tylers) dominated Division 4 for girls and boys respectively. Division 5 witnessed Rithishree.A.R from G9B (Alpines) and Karthik.M from G10B (Himalayans) securing the top positions for girls and boys.

INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

On October 14, 2023, the school's Science Department orchestrated the Young Innovator Contest (YIC). The primary aim of this competition was to inspire young minds to delve into innovative ideas aligned with the themes of SDG 7 ("Affordable and Clean Energy") for Grade 9 students and SDG 9 ("Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure") for Grade 10 students. The contest was crafted to stimulate students to harness their innate curiosity and imagination in crafting inventive solutions. A total of 15 entries from various schools enthusiastically enrolled in the competition. The first-place honor in the Grade 10 category went to Mohammed Ayaan S A and Sujith N P from Balsam Academy School, while Sezhiyan Pugazhendi K and Maitreya K K from The Krisar Academy School secured the second-place position. Mugilan S and Manoj Kumar GS from Vidyapeetam School clinched the third-place spot. These accomplished students were awarded cash prizes of INR 7,500, INR 5,000, and INR 2,500, respectively.

INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

Our school's athletic teams excelled in inter-school competitions, claiming top spots in Basketball, Football tournaments, Chess, Skating, Badminton, Athletics and Silambam championships. Both on and off the field, they demonstrated outstanding teamwork and sportsmanship.

CLICK HERE - [Inter-School Competitions](#)

EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

The Events and Celebrations Committee is excited to share highlights from recent events. We began with a serene observance of International Yoga Day on June 21st, fostering wellness in our community. The Balsam Social and Independence Day event on August 15th was a happy affair. Founder's Day on October 20th was a remarkable tribute, followed by a lively Cultural Festival on October 29th. The committee successfully arranged Dry Run sessions on November 4th and 18th, refining our event management skills.

CONTEST, ASSEMBLY AND BROADCASTING

Kindergarten students showcased freehand drawing, freeze dancing, and show-and-tell. Grades 1 and 2 performed an entertaining show-and-tell and recitation, while Grades 3-5 prepared for engaging recitations, story-telling, and a spelling bee. Meanwhile, literature, dance, and speaking contests grabbed Grades 6-8, while speaking and dance competitions captivated Grades 9-10.

The Assembly and Broadcasting Committee is glad to inform that 14 of the 16 assemblies scheduled until December were successfully organised and executed. Due to unexpected rain holidays, two assemblies had to be canceled. Despite this, critical information was properly given to the pupils on the scheduled days. The committee remains committed to fostering a dynamic learning environment, ensuring that critical updates and engaging content are delivered to our students in a seamless manner. Looking forward to a fruitful session in the coming weeks.

STUDENTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Young minds at Balsam Academy continue to make waves with remarkable achievements. From winning prestigious competitions to pioneering innovative projects, these students exemplify excellence. Their dedication and talent have not only brought pride to the academy but also inspired their peers. With a commitment to fostering holistic development, Balsam Academy celebrates the accomplishments of its students and looks forward to even greater successes in the future."

CLICK HERE - [Students Achievements](#)

STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

Balsam Academy celebrates outstanding staff achievements, recognizing their dedication and contributions. From innovative teaching methods to fostering a nurturing learning environment, our staff consistently goes above and beyond. Whether through curriculum development, community engagement, or professional growth, their commitment propels our academic excellence. At Balsam, we take pride in our accomplished team, whose collective efforts elevate the educational experience for our students and enrich the school community.

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EMPOWERING YOUNG LEADERS

Our school has harnessed the potential of 42 young leaders in a groundbreaking effort, integrating them into crucial committees. This forward-thinking approach not only raises their voices but also provides hands-on experience in decision-making processes. These young leaders are given essential abilities through specialized training programs, which promote confidence and competence. Their influence is felt throughout the campus as they actively participate in various aspects of school life, from academics to extracurriculars. This inclusive technique not only fosters a leadership culture but also promotes a lively and student-driven community. The beneficial ripple effect of this empowerment will undoubtedly affect the future of our institution.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS

As part of our SEWA initiative, we've been actively engaged in community outreach projects throughout the year, with a special highlight on the impactful project undertaken by grade 10 students. We're excited to share the success of our recent venture in Kaveripakkam, where we focused on waste management. On August 29th, we conducted a thorough survey to understand the community's waste management methods and recycling habits. The main event featured an interactive workshop aimed at promoting sustainable waste management practices.

We were privileged to have District Collector Ms. Valarmathi and School Treasurer Mr. Sundar join us, sharing their invaluable insights and emphasizing the importance of community involvement in fostering a cleaner, greener environment. Their presence added significant value to the workshop.

The event was a great success, raising awareness and inspiring positive changes in waste management practices among the Kaveripakkam community. We eagerly anticipate further collaborations for a more sustainable future.

OUTBOUND LEARNING

Our educational approach placed significant emphasis on outbound learning, offering students interactive experiences that surpassed textbook knowledge. Venturing into the outside world and connecting with nature provided students with practical insights and broadened their horizons. Field trips to public places became opportunities for them to learn about the world and develop crucial social and interactive skills. At Balsam Academy, learning extended beyond the confines of the classroom to encompass the broader context of real-world exploration.

SCHOOL AFFILIATION

We are pleased to inform you that our compliance submission for affiliation extension has been successfully processed, including applications for section increase and correction of land on the SARAS portal. The CBSE has accepted and approved these applications. However, we are in the process of submitting the compliance related to section increase to CBSE.

SQAA UPDATES

As per SQAA, the annual curriculum and pedagogical plan for the development of co-scholastic skills have been made and implemented effectively by providing opportunities for children to engage in visual art, work education, mainstreaming physical education and sports activities.

DIGITAL INFRA STRUCTURE AND NETWORK SECURITY

A Our interactive panels and ICR boards continue to be diligently maintained, with the installation of robust anti-virus systems across all digital boards in classrooms and labs. Staff members have undergone training to effectively utilize the features of these interactive panels and ICR boards.

To ensure the safety of our network, all interactive panels and ICR boards are internet-enabled, with proper channelling, Quality of Service (QoS), and a captive portal in place. Internet access has been extended to staff members to facilitate seamless connectivity. State-of-the-art audio systems have been successfully installed in the Multi Utility Hall, and we have identified the need for a digital podium in the Training room.

Cameras have been strategically placed in blind spots within the administrative block, lab block, and security block. A comprehensive revamp and servicing of existing surveillance systems in the academic block have been completed

ACADEMIC AND COMMUNICATION ENHANCEMENT

In collaboration with Smartail, we have conducted Mock 1 and Mock 2 exams for Grade 10 students, utilizing Artificial Intelligence technology for paper evaluation. This initiative aims to streamline the evaluation process and provide teachers with a detailed analysis of student performance. Looking ahead, we plan to provide laptops to core members and the admin team to ensure data integrity. Additionally, new solar lights will be installed at identified locations, and a complete revamp of the surveillance systems in the academic block is scheduled for April. We have submitted a budget proposal to the finance team for approval.

To enhance communication among stakeholders, we recommend the implementation of an ERP system. After careful consideration, we have chosen the CLOBAS ERP for its comprehensive features. In an effort to instill 21st-century skills, we are excited to introduce robotics for students in grades 4 to 8. After thorough vendor analysis, we have selected DIYA Robotics for implementation.

KALASETHU PROJECT

The Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat programme aimed to enhance interaction and promote mutual understanding between the people of Tamil Nadu and West Bengal. Through class-wise activities, we facilitated a sustained and structured cultural connection in the areas of language learning, culture, traditions, music, tourism, cuisine, sports, and sharing of best practices. This initiative fostered a deeper appreciation and knowledge of each other's heritage and promoted unity in diversity.

<http://tinyurl.com/32cawnnc>

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS

Class	COP
Grade 1	Songs and stories for elderly with siblings
Grade 2	Clean house with families
Grade 3	Clean Streets with neighbours
Grade 4	Beat Plastic with shop keepers
Grade 5	Sharing resources with orphans
Grade 6	Mosquito control
Grade 7	Set up orchard with villagers
Grade 8	Develop organic garden with parents
Grade 9	Agriculture with university
Grade 10	Waste management with Panchayat

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