



“Imagination is the spark that ignites the fire of creativity”

World Zoonoses Day

Everyone would agree with me, **“The best therapist has fur and four legs”**. Yes, I am referring to those wonderful creatures whom God has gifted us to treat with kindness and compassion. They make our world lively and even more meaningful and colourful one. Everything comes with a cost. As we associate with them, they also transmit a few diseases to us. Those infectious diseases are referred to as Zoonosis. Zoonotic pathogens may be bacterial, viral or parasitic, or may involve unconventional agents and can spread to humans through direct contact or through food, water or the environment. It became essential to spread awareness and prevent the spread of diseases. Thus “World Zoonoses Day” is marked annually on 6 July to commemorate the first vaccination administered against a zoonotic disease by French biologist Louis Pasteur.



How do these diseases spread?

- Physical contact with animals
- Consumption of meat or animal products.
- Rearing of farm animals.

How to prevent these diseases?

- Proper animal care.
- Maintaining proper hygiene.

“Let’s Break the chain of Zoonotic Transmission” is this year’s theme, which is crucial if we are to escape the COVID-19 pandemic. Let’s break the chain and raise awareness.

The Water Lily Is July Birth Flower

Interest July birthdays: Water lily is your flower. It's no marvel those brilliant blooms are linked to July due to the fact they may be especially a summer time flower. Water lilies bloom from may additionally via September. In frost-loose areas, water lilies bloom 12 months-round. The fruit of water lily is usually nutlike or berrylike. Some end result ripens underwater till they rupture or decay, and the seeds then drift away or sink. On three might also 2002, scientists introduced the invention of the fossilised remains of the earliest flowering plant discovered so far. At least 125 million years old, and named Archaeofructus sinensis (historical fruit from China), it turned into observed in a slab of stone in northeast China and is possibly the ancestor of all of the flowering plant life within the global today. Its closest dwelling relative can be the water lilly, because the ancient plant lived in clean shallow water, with its vegetation and seeds extending above the surface. The white-water lily is the national flower of Bangladesh and nation flower for Andhra Pradesh, India. The blue waterlily is the country wide flower of Sri Lanka. The seal of Bangladesh consists of a lily floating on water. It turned into first discovered in Bolivia in 1801. At that time, it changed into named as Eurgale Amazonica. This flower has been given its gift name in 1837 whilst it become renamed as Victoria Amazonica through English botanist John Lindley as a tribute to Queen Victoria. It's also known as Amazon water lily, Amazon water platter, Royal Water Lily. Water lilies imply many stuffs in one-of-a-kind regions of the arena, but they've unique importance in Buddhism and Hinduism. For these religions, the water lily symbolizes resurrection, because those flora near up at night and reopen inside the morning, similar to a non-secular rebirth.

Kargil Vijay Diwas

Kargil Vijay Diwas is the day on which the Indian army won the war against Pakistan's army in 1999. On 26th July, the Indian army recaptured all the Indian posts that had been occupied by Pakistan's army. Since then, the day has been observed every year to commemorate the efforts and sacrifices of the Indian soldiers in the Kargil war. Kargil war is one of the greatest wars fought by the Indian army. The war took place in the Kargil district of



Jammu and Kashmir between May and July 1999. Out of the four major wars that were fought by the Indian army with Pakistan, the Kargil war was the last one. The fight between the nations in the Kargil War was a very long contest, and it had drastic impacts on both nations. Like the words told by Brock Chisholm, "No one wins a war. It is true, there are degrees of loss, but no one wins." Just like any war, the result of the Kargil war was also catastrophic. Many fathers and mothers lost their sons, many children lost their fathers, many wives lost their husbands, many lost their best friends, and India lost many valiant soldiers. Let's pay our admiration to our courageous soldiers who devoted themselves to saving our lives from enemies.

World Population Day

World population day, which seeks to focus attention on the urgency and importance of population issues. World population day is observed every year on July 11. We celebrate this day as awareness of population issues. The theme of this year is "A world of 8 billion: Towards a strong future for all". The slogan of the world population day should be "We two ours two". This should be spread all over the world so that small families will have a great future otherwise our earth will have to face population explosion.



Doctor's Day

India celebrates National Doctor's Day on 1st July every year commemorating the birth anniversary of Dr. Bibin Chandra Roy. The services rendered by doctors to our society are quite a handful. During the pandemic in 2020, countless doctors have sacrificed their lives, many had worked relentlessly towards the welfare of patients hit with Covid-19.



Being a doctor is not only a profession but also a service to the mankind. As a Veterinarian myself, we often work in harmony with Health sciences towards the aim of One Health. While commemorating Doctor's Day we often should not forget about the service of frontline workers too. Doctor's day should not only be celebrated only on July 1st but their services should be remembered every single day. Being a doctor is a noble profession. Though some may take the profession as an advantage of illegal activities, we must pledge ourselves to remember the efforts of doctors towards the wellness of people, leaving aside the rotten eggs in the basket. We should also inspire others to respect and acknowledge the efforts of doctors in the overall wellbeing of the society.

Eid-al-Adha

From then on, Bakrid celebrates IBRAHIMS 'intended sacrifice of his son and his devotion to God. Bakrid is observed during dhu-al-Hijjah. The last month of the Islamic calendar. The bakrid date is determined on the sighting of the crescent moon. Eid-al-Adha is a day that hails Ibrahim's devotion to Allah. He was willing to sacrifice son 's smile as an act of submission to God's will. But his son God replaced by a sheep at the last moment hence this festival is also held as the feast of the sacrifice on this day Muslims sacrifice a goat and divide the into 3 equal parts one portion is kept for the family the second is given to the relatives and friends and the third reserved for the needy. Eid-al-Adha concludes the pilgrimage to Mecca the festival is celebrated by wearing new clothes on the submitting special prayers.



BALSAM IN JULY

Balancing game

We had a quirky contest for the month of July in Kindergarten. The children balanced the book on their heads. A simple act such as balancing brings about a lot of attributes. Children in the age of 0-7 years learn and evolve through movement. This particular activity was enjoyed by the children with them setting up personal goals as the activity progressed. Along with that our children spend so much time in nature to help them feel grounded.



Activity on Place Value blocks

Children usually learn easily when taught the concept using concrete objects. A number is given to students. They arranged the place value blocks according to the number given. This activity actually enabled the deeper understanding on forming numbers and its value based on its position.



Clay Modelling Activity

Students developed the flat shapes that they know using the clay. This activity actually stimulates the creativity among students and develops the peer learning as well.



Learning through Art

"The need for imagination, a sense of truth and a feeling of responsibility – these three forces are the very nerve of education." Art can play an effective role in strengthening a child's curiosity, imagination, and sense of wonder. In this case, the family concept has been introduced through story and art. Children love to explore new ways of writing in different mediums and floor drawing on family portrait provided an immense pleasure to them



Play with Naming Words

"Play is the highest form of research." Play is more powerful for children. It's actually the key to learning. It helps to enrich learning and develop key skills such as inquiry, expression, experimentation, problem solving and teamwork. In this way, the naming words were introduced through play. It was so amazing to see the little butterflies understand the concept and try to comprehend it with their friends. Finally, our grade one kids displayed confidence in their learning, writing of various naming words and found the difference between common naming words and proper naming words.



Grouping Activity

A collection of different flat shapes is given to a group of students. They discussed among themselves and grouped each flat shapes together. This activity enabled the peer learning as well as developed the interest to explore new things.



Creative thinking

When children's thought process is provoked, their creativity goes endless. To initiate the children to describe a picture, they were motivated to draw a picture and write a description about it. The way the children thought process evolved was so great where they showed so much interest in doing the activity.



என்னைப் பற்றி

மாணவர்களின் பேசுதல் திறனை மேம்படுத்தும் வகையில் "என்னைப்பற்றி" என்ற தலைப்பில் மாணவர்கள் தங்களை அறிமுகப்படுத்திக் கொண்டனர். இதில் தங்கள் குடும்ப உறுப்பினர்களின் பெயர்களையும், அவர்களை எப்படி அழைப்பார்கள் என்றும், காலை முதல் மாலை வரை அவர்களுடன் இருக்கும் தருணங்களை பற்றியும், தங்கு தடையின்றி பேசினார்கள். இச்செயல் திறன் மூலம் வாழ்வியல் திறனில் ஒன்றான தன்னை அறியும் திறனை மாணவர்கள் அறிந்து கொண்டு வெளிகாட்டியது சிறப்பு.

கலையும் கைவண்ணமும்

மாணவர்களுக்கு சொல்லிக் கொடுத்து திரும்பச் சொல்லவைக்கும் மனன முறையை விடுத்து, சிந்திக்கவும், சிந்தித்தவற்றை வெளிப்படுத்தவும் மாணவர்கள் அறிந்தனர். மாணவர்கள் விளையாட்டு மைதானத்தின் மரங்களின் கீழ் உதிர்ந்த இலைகள், பூக்கள், சிறிய குச்சிகள், சருகுகள், பழுத்து உதிர்ந்த வேப்பம் பழங்கள் மற்றும் பாதாம் கொட்டைகளை பயன்படுத்தி தங்கள் கற்பனையில் தோன்றிய பூச்செடிகள், பூக்கள், பூச்சிகள் மற்றும் பறவைகளை உருவாக்கி மகிழ்ந்தனர். இச்செயல்திறன் மூலம் மாணவர்களின் கற்பனைத் திறன் அதிகரித்தது.



Show and Tell Activity

Show and Tell Activity of Monthly Rhythm was organized for the month of July from 1st to 29th to strengthen the verbal skills and to foster public speaking competency of the young minds. The students from class 3 to 5 completely engrossed in this activity which helped them to build their self-confidence and self-esteem. It enabled them to improve their descriptive skills by communicating feelings, thoughts and emotions with words.



The students were informed to bring their favourite toy or any object of their choice according. They were excited to share their descriptive narration and waited eagerly for their turn to show and tell. Thus, this event helped our tiny tots to build their social, emotional and language skills. Charts and posters were prepared by the students and teachers which added to the beauty of scenario. It goes without saying that student's involvement in individual activity infuse in them originality, self-confidence & self-reliance. The inspiring presentation left no stone turned to achieve a realistic appraisal of their skills and to discover the power of spoken words. It was an interesting and a thrilling experience for the kids sharing their feelings with peer and the feedback which provided fun and comfortable learning arena for everyone involved.



Visit to the Handloom Industry

G4-A visit to handloom. The school had organized a visit to the handloom industry in Walaja on 21 July, 2022. Students from Grade 4 were taken on a board tour for the industry to witness the creation of hand-woven sarees and to understand the importance of the weavers in today's mechanized world. Children were wondering by looking at the weavers how they were busy weaving the beautiful sarees. The process of weaving was well explained by our Mr. Sanjeeva Krishnan, parent of Yuva Sree Devi of G8. All our students' doubts were also clarified by him. The visit served its purpose of making the students aware of the essential role played by weavers in the country's production of high quality and special design dresses.



Exploring technology



The early learners when made to experience and explore they tend to learn the concepts. The Grade 1 children were made to touch and feel and use the computer mouse which was exciting for the children. They

showed so much of interest in exploring the computers. The children of the upper Primary class, Grade 5 children opened a document themselves in MS office Word and worked in it. Thus the ICT skills were developed among the growing children according to the changing scenario.



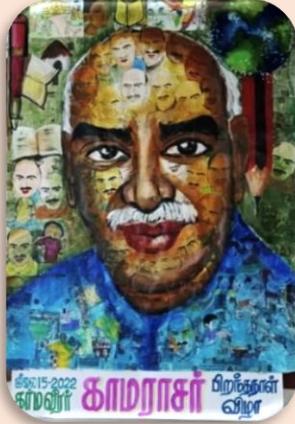
Visit to Delhi Gate

Children are required to learn actively and practically through outbound learning. On July 18, 2022, the G5 kids were taken to the "Delhi Gate," which is close to Arcot, to help them become more knowledgeable about the area's architectural legacy. They looked at Robert Clive's room and learned the rationale behind its construction. They were eager to impart their knowledge to their fellow students.



கல்வி வளர்ச்சி நாள்.

ஜூலை 15 2022 கர்மவீரர் காமராசர் அவர்களின் பிறந்த நாள் விழாவை முன்னிட்டு பால்சம் அகாடமி பள்ளி மாணவர்கள் ஆறாம் வகுப்பு முதல் பத்தாம் வகுப்பு மாணவர்கள் ஓவிய வகுப்பு நேரத்தில் காமராசர் அவர்களின் திருஉருவம் படத்தை பல கோணங்களில் வடிவம் அமைத்து ஓவியமாக வரைந்தனர். காமராசர் அவர்களின் விடுதலைப் போராட்ட உணர்வும் மாணவர்களுக்கு பள்ளிக்கூடம் அமைத்தல் உணவு துணி மற்றும் நம் நாட்டிற்காக ஆற்று நீரை சேமித்து அணைகள் கட்டியது. கிராமங்களுக்கு மின்சாரம் அமைத்தல் போன்ற அனைத்து நல்ல திட்டங்களையும் ஓவியங்களாக வரைந்து வண்ணமிட்டு அனைத்து ஓவியப் படைப்புகளையும் படத்தொகுப்புகளாக ஒன்றிணைத்து. ஓவியங்களாக உருவாக்கியுள்ளனர் நமது பள்ளி மாணவர்கள்.



All India Drawing, Handwriting and Essay Writing Competition

To inculcate confidence and to improve concentration in students 'All India Drawing, Handwriting and Essay writing Competition' conducted by 'Akhil Bhartiya Nagrik Vikas Kendra' has been conducted on 11th and 12th of July in our school premises. Drawing and painting help to improve observation, imagination, memory and concentration and essay writing is important for developing students writing skills. The essay writing competition is crucial for the young generation to explore their thoughts and imagination and to develop their understanding of topic. This helps the child to shape their future.



Children showed their eagerness to participate in the competition. 644 students participated in different competitions with full enthuze. Materials of the participants were collected and sent by courier on 15th of July. The result of the competition will be announced on 23rd Sep by "Akhil Bhartiya Nagrik Vikas Kendra" and the prizes for the winners will be sent after 20 days of the announcement of the results.

Dance Contest

“Dancing is creating a sculpture that is visible only for a moment.” – ErolOzan

To hone the dancing skills of the students, an Inter House Dance

Competition was organized on 30th July 2022, in our school premises. The theme of the solo competition was ‘A walk - Through India: Classical Dance forms’ and of the group competition was ‘Folk and Tribal dance on Incredible India’



True to the theme, the vivacious dancers set the floor on fire with their energetic performances and this was a reflection of their passion and hard work. Their movements captured the essence of the music and movements were, graceful and elegant. The judges made a note of the artistic ability, style, expressions, stage coverage, choreography and the applauded the effort the dancers put in.

The judges Mrs.Mahalakshmi Karthikeyan and Mrs. Sushmitha congratulated the winners and appreciated the performance of all the children and also encouraged them to participate more in such competitions to enhance their talents.

The happiness of the children was amply evident with applause and appreciation.



Inter House Sports Competitions

“Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships.”

The atmosphere was a buzz. The air filled with excitement and hint of nervousness. With the pandemic, schools transitioning from offline to online classes, meant a halt to beyond academic activities. But not for long, as the Inter-House Sports matches took to the limelight, providing us with the grit and passion we



missed all this while. The first set of matches commenced on 9th July 2022 for Levels 3 & 4 students representing their respective houses - Alpines, Grands, Himalayans and Tylers. With the support of our School Heads, SCB members, teachers and student representatives, the Sports Team have been able to conduct 4 games - Basketball, Football, Kabbadi and Throwball/Volleyball simultaneously.



At the end of second round of fixtures on 16th July 2022, the House Points Table looks like this

HOUSES	TOTAL POINTS
ALPINES	40
GRANDS	85
HIMALAYANS	95
TYLERS	100

Month of July in level 3

Students of level 3 have done their best in circle time by exhibiting their talent. Grade 6, 7 and 8 students prepared study plan for a week and discussed the same in the classroom. Few students shared their view and little alter was made after the discussion. We started with the remedial classes. All the teachers put their effort to bring the best in them.

At the end of the Month, we had a pre-mid-term Exam and completed successfully. We had a dance contest, students enthusiastically practiced and performed well on the stage. Simultaneously, we planned for the Protect day and waiting for the plan to execute.

Witt Valedictory Ceremony

“To be free is to be capable of thinking one's own thoughts - not the thoughts merely of the body, or of society, but thoughts generated by one's deepest, most original, most essential and spiritual self, one's individuality.” Emotions vibrated through the halls during the first WITT Valedictory Ceremony of 2021-22.

Our graduates shared their experience of evolving they had witnessed on their journey. The event was presided over by our school's Non-Executive Director and mentor Ms.Shubhadaini Joshi and school heads. Waldorf songs were heard through the halls graciously from our graduates.

SCB meeting

The School Council Body of Balsam Academy convened its second meeting on Saturday,16/07/2022. Mr. Prabhakaran, the Principal of Administration, Mr.Toji Jose, head of the SCB, the advisors and co-advisors of each house, as well as SCB members, were present at the meeting. The meeting began with an evaluation of SB members' performance. The students talked about their experiences as SCB members. Students were asked to adopt class rooms in order to take ownership of their responsibilities.

The house merits and demerits system, which will be put into effect from August, was introduced and

described by Mr. Toji Jose. The progress of each house in the upcoming competition was discussed by the house advisors. The meeting ended on a positive note, with all the teachers appreciating the efforts made by all the SCB members to ensure the smooth operation of the school.



SDMC

The school Disaster Management Committee ensures everyone's safety and aims to educate all stakeholders of the school on how to save lives in case of emergency. The first SDMC session for admin and teachers was held on July 23, 2022, with the aim of transferring practical knowledge of the Disaster Management Plan. At this session, the accountabilities of the Balsam SDMC's stakeholders were outlined, and training on the plan and preparedness was also provided. As we all know, prevention is better than cure. Information and knowledge are the first steps towards prevention. The committee provided concise safety advice, clarified the functions of various teams, listed DOs and DON'Ts in case of emergencies, and raised awareness of life-saving techniques. The team's coordination, effective message follow-up, and protective measures were explained to the members in order to prevent occurrences that might be anything from inconveniences to life-threatening. Overall, the session emphasized the significance of disaster management and centred on how emergency preparedness may aid in disaster mitigation, save many lives, and protect property.

