# CONNECTIONS

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#### Foreword

Bustling with events to keep us on our toes. August flew past in the blink of an eye. With a flurry of events to keep us all engaged from sports to culturals, the month of August kept us all looking forward to each day. The month started off with our school hosting the Interschool Champions league—The Turf—on the 9th and 10th of August inviting other schools from across Chennai for Football and Throwball competitions.

~SRUTHI P 11A

#### **Highlights of the issue**

The Turf

- Interschool Champions League

Tots got Talent

Independence Day celebration

Sports Day

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#### 'TURF' - Inter-School Champions League

at Babaji Vidhyashram

The much-anticipated 'TURF"- the Inter-School Champions League 2024 was held on August 9th and 10th in our school's futsal and playground. This event brought together 30 top school teams from across the city, to compete for the Championship trophy in football and throwball. The objective was to foster a spirit of healthy competition, teamwork, and sportsmanship among the students.

The tournament was structured as a knockout competition with quarterfinals, semifinals, and a grand final. Teams earned their place in the next round through decisive victories, officiated by Tamil Nadu football and throwball Association organized referees. The crowd was highly enthusiastic, with supporters from all schools cheering passionately. The final match saw a record attendance, with the stands filled to capacity.

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### Independence day

A day when Indians stand tall, hoisting the Tiranga into the air and proudly saying "Jai Hind". Yes, it's that Patriotic day, the day when India got its independence, the day when our Freedom Fighter's efforts saw the dawn. It's the 78th Birthday of our Mother India, 78th year of freedom, peace and Independence. We are in the 77th year of Independence and on 15th August, 2024, we celebrated the 78th Independence Day. To mark the celebrations for the Independence Day in our school, firstly we had the vocal team delivering a patriotic song to set up the mood for the day! Then, our NCC Cadets welcomed our beloved Chief Guest Major General Mr. Murali with Guard of Honor and it was a moment of pride. Every word he spoke triggered the Patriotism inside us.

-Visvesh - 9B

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A Celebration of Strength A Peek Inside Our Sports Day Success



"It was thrilling," many people, including myself, the sports captain, felt as an electrifying atmosphere surrounded us during the Babaji Vidhyashram Annual Sports Meet 24-25. The event took place on August 16th for the primary grades and August 17th for the higher grades. Although the weather tested our spirits, we Babajians paved the way for a magical event, organized by our beloved wellness department and the hardworking management of Babaji Vidhyashram. The breezy wind jingled the medals and certificates, mirroring the determination of the athletes eager to clinch victory.

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-Jishnu G (11B)

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## tots got talent

On the 24th of this month, our school provided a stage for the young sprouts to showcase their talent, The Tots Got Talent Show The students, accompanied by their parents, participated in variou activities and won exciting prizes. Additionally, all the little stars were given a participation certificate that brought a smile to their Click here to faces.

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The event featured three delightful sportive activities for the young sportspeople: the "Fetch a Pail of Water" challenge for our athelete (ages 2-3), where they collected water from a bucket and filled another while the parents cheered them making the atmosphere competitive; the "Get Ready for School Race" (ages 3-4),...

Shaun P (8B), and Padma Priya (11A)

### Primary Panorama

The riot of colour last week was equal to the exuberant display of celebrations the primary students surprised us with-celebrations that brought out the best in their creativity and cultural ethos. Independence Day celebrations started with an interesting assembly conducted by Grade 2, where the students' performances resonated with patriotic Click here to read more... passion.

By Shivanisree A.S, 11A

#### KG Conjunctures

August was a month full of engaging activities for our KG students. The month started with a lively celebration for our 78th Independence Day. They were amazed to learn more about the struggles faced by our freedom fighters.

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- Debanshi, 9C











### Science On Spotlight

Young minds continue to use different handsactivities to discover, explore and have a great time! Students of Grade 2 enjoyed themselves by making a working model of lungs. Balloons, scissors and a spark of curiosity were all they needed to learn the mechanism of lungs! Pupils of Grade 3 learned about the importance of having a balanced diet and sources of different nutrients.





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#### **Heroes without Capes: Celebrating Humanitarian Day**

Our school has always taken this day very seriously. It's a time when our entire community comes together to celebrate the spirit of giving and making a difference. The preparations for Humanitarian Day start weeks in advance. Every year our school organizes a donation drive, where students eagerly drop off their contributions into designated boxes. On the Humanitarian day, Principal ma'am delivered a heartfelt speech, emphasizing the importance of helping others and the power of collective action. As we celebrate this day, we are reminded of our shared humanity and the power of empathy and solidarity...

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-Aakhya 8A

### Revelation in Science

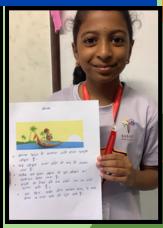
On the 18th of July, I had the opportunity of a lifetime to attend a session by a Nobel laureate. It was held at Music Academy, Royapettah, and it was organized by IIT Madras. Prof. Brian K. Kobilka, who received his Nobel Prize in the year 2012 for his groundbreaking work in Biochemistry, was the featured speaker of the day. His Nobel-winning research work was on G-protein-coupled receptors—critical messenger proteins that line the cell surface.

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-Harshini B 11A

#### हिन्दी भाषा सबके लिए सौगात





### தமிழ்க்கதம்பம்





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The students of grades 6-8 partook in yet another interesting activity this month. The activity, named "Day/Night photography" focuses on capturing a photo of one particular object or landscape at day and night time. The purpose of this activity was to treat your eyes with a variety of photos and also to emphasize on the significance of lighting while capturing a moment through your camera. From this activity, students learnt how a particular object or scene can be captured in many different ways and times. This also stresses on the importance of lighting in photography as it plays a crucial role in judging the mood and atmosphere of the scene.



## N THINKING

#### Design Technology

Smart materials are special types of materials that can change their properties in response to changes in their environment. One cool aspect of smart material is the kind that glows in the dark. These materials can absorb light when it's bright and then release that light slowly over time, making them glow even when the lights are turned This glow happens because something "phosphorescence."

Students of Grade 8 used smart material to design products that can glow in the dark



Glow in the dark

Pen stand

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Glow in the dark decorative piece

### Kargil Vijay Diwas

Valour Unmatched, Peace Unwavering



The Kargil Vijay Diwas ( Kargil Victory Day ) is celebrated on 26th of July every year in order to commemorate the VICTORY of INDIA over PAKISTAN during the KARGIL WAR from their OCCUPIED positions on the MOUNTAIN TOPS of NORTHERN KARGIL at LADAKH in 1999. This diligence represents the collective spirit of RESILIENCE and SOLIDARITY, fostering a sense of NATIONAL PRIDE of DUTY and DEDICATION to the nation. -Harini 8A

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Grade students collected data from the school and recorded table. The next step is to enter this data into a spreadsheet.

#### Madras Day: A Tribute to Our City

As I stepped into the school on the morning of 22nd August, the air was filled with excitement. It was like a garden with a full bloom of colourful flowers. Students wore traditional South Indian attire adding a blast of colour to the school. It was Madras Day, a day to celebrate the founding and heritage of this city. On this day,

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Shaun P (8B) & Padma Priya(11A) Click to view more...



#### Mentossori Teacher of the month

Achievements



Ms. Manimegalai **HOD- Wellness** 

5 of our students were

felicitated by sports minister

of various sports and games.



Ms.Rosario Selvarani **HOD- English** 

#### **Outdoor Education**

**Grade 9 Outdoor Education Exploring Nature's Classroom:** A Journey Through the Neithal Coast

The students of grade 9 embarked on an exciting day trip to explore the **Pallikaranai** Marshland, Okkiyam Madavu, Muttukadu, Nemmeli, and Mahabalipuram. As a student, I was to learn about these environmentally significant places,

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Grade 11 students participated in the MUN and were topped off with a win in the Best Delegate category of

the UNW committee



Shivaay -1D won the interhouse chess tournament

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#### Grade 10 Outdoor Education

"An Unforgettable Field Trip to Auroville -Sadhana Forest".

Our class 10 field trip to Auroville was an unforgettable adventure filled with diverse experiences. We started from school at 6 AM and reached quaint Mahabalipuram at around 7:45 AM, where we enjoyed a hearty breakfast that energized us ...

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#### Word of the month - Sonder

The realization that each random passerby is living a life as vivid and complex as your own

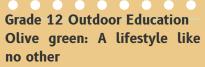
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As someone who has spent a lot of time running around the Defence Officer's Enclave in Chennai, I've been no stranger to the lifestyle of the officers decked in olive green. From visiting the

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#### Grade 11 Outdoor Education Coastal Chronicles: A Day on the Neithal Coastline

This year, we grade students embarked on an educational and thrilling field trip to explore the Neithal coastal region of Chennai, an area rich in both natural beauty and cultural heritage.

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