



CORRESPONDENT'S MESSAGE:

Greetings to one and all from Kikani Global Academy!

Hearty congratulations to the editorial board of Kikani Times for a neat compilation of all the activities of our school for the current year.

June 14th 2022 will be one historic day , as KGA completes one glorious year to the cause of education. I congratulate the



MR TUSHAR KIKANI

entire KGA fraternity led by our Principal for rising up to all challenges and overcoming many a obstacle on this journey. A glance into this issue will give an insight into the tremendous amount of work that has gone into making this a very eventful year.

As we settle down and March ahead , plans are being drawn to provide a still more enriching experience both in the field of academics and sports .

Yes lots of challenges awaits us , but our confidence levels are higher and stronger to convert every challenge into an opportunity and provide the best to our students on this journey of excellence.

My good wishes to Principal , Vice Principal, Faculty , Students and Parents always . A very happy Summer Holidays to all and eagerly looking forward to meet u all in early June 2022.

Stay safe and stay Cool .

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tushar Kikani".

Correspondent

FESTIVITIES AND ACTIVITIES:

KGA SOAKED IN COLORS (HOLI CELEBRATION):

Let's give beautiful colors to our life & paint the lives of our students with the beautiful colors of love, joy, prosperity, respect, health happiness, and success.

Children enjoyed the colorful festival in the presence of the Chief Guest Mr. Pradeep Kikani and Prakashji, who wished them a colorful bright future.

Celebration beyond boundaries always gives immense pleasure. It portrays Unity in Diversity. Children experienced holi for the first time, and here it's going to be eternal.

Our Principal Ms. Shalini, addressed them to embrace each other and let go of all indifference to overcome obstacles and behold success.

Teachers changed their roles and let out the kid within by splashing and drenching others in the beautiful colors and love and the whole campus was adorned colorfully.



INTERNATIONAL MOTHER TONGUE DAY:

Language, the attire of thought!

Nurturing in young minds the significance of Mother tongue.

International Mother Tongue day was celebrated today in the campus. Auditorium was decked up like a kingdom where children dressed up like kings of chera, chola and pandiya and all great scholars like Thiruvalluvar, Avvaiyar, Bharathiar, Ilango ,kabirdas,Tulsidas and surdas adorned the court. Dances and songs were presented in front of the kings in Tamil, Hindi and Kashmiri

Our principal Ms. Shalini addressed the children about the significance of the language and especially about Mother tongue. She also added that the emotions are well expressed in the language which we are master in.

Our chief guest, Mr. Muthiah, a Kalaimamani awardee, a Tamil motivational speaker added further charm to the event with his uncluttered speech and he connected students with his words beautifully woven into stories which made it more interesting for the children to be with him.



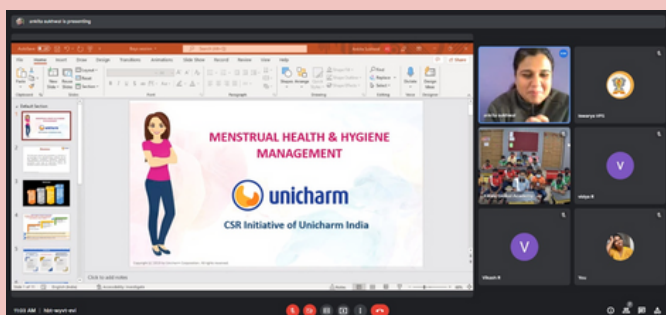
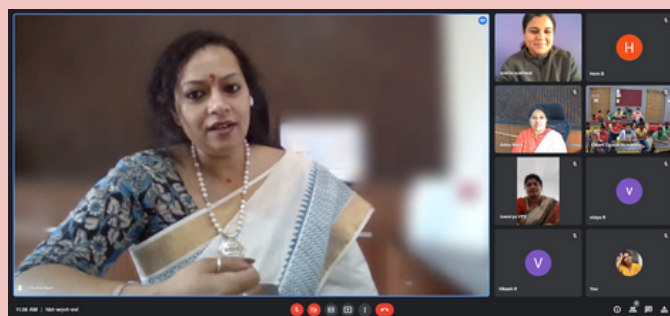
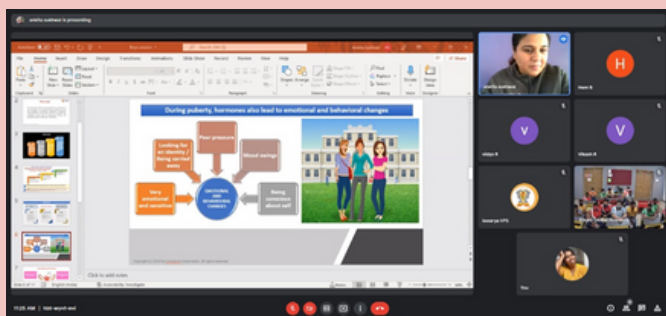
HEALTHY TEENS:



Let's grow responsibly together - Healthy Teens

Boys and girls who are on the cusp of puberty generally wonder about the changes in and out of them. Followed by the session for girls last week, a beneficial session on puberty was conducted by Ms Ankita Sukhwal for the boys of Gr 5 to 7.

Boys were informed about the physical changes and the mood swings that they experience during puberty. They were also educated about the puberty changes their counterparts, the girls, undergo at this age. Principal, Ms. Shalini, addressed the students focusing on early teen-effects and the ways to handle psychological setbacks at this age.



SURYANAMASKAR:

Healthy mind, Healthy children!

Children are the future of the country. Incorporating discipline to children at a very young age will prove fruitful. We successfully completed 21 day event of Surya Namaskar to celebrate the Azaadi ka Amrut Mahotsav under the guidance of Disha R Taunk.

Jt. Sec Technical TNYSA (TAMIL NADU YOUTH YOGASANA SPORTS ASSOCIATION)

General Body Member- NATIONAL YOGASANA SPORTS FEDERATION (NYSF).

Yoga purifies their mind body and soul and keep them fit and healthy.



KNOW MY WORLD:

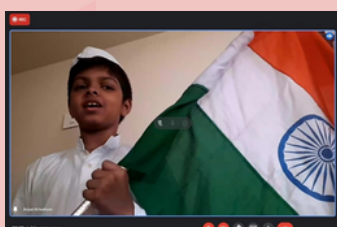
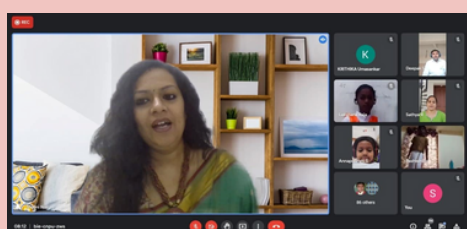
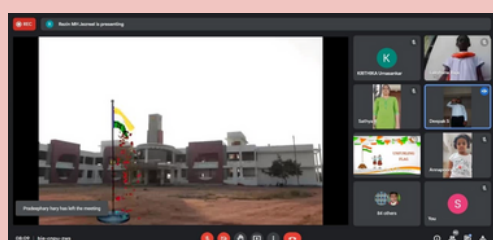
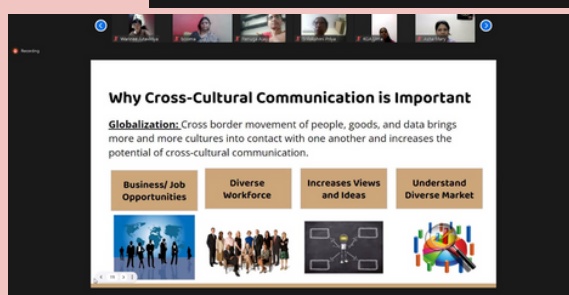
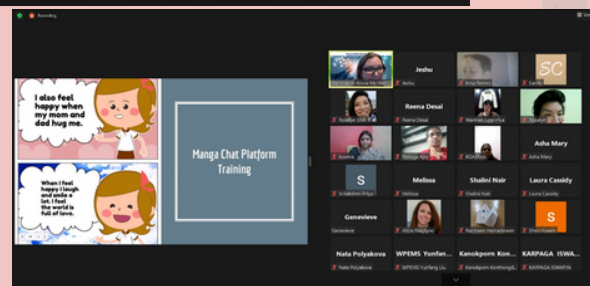
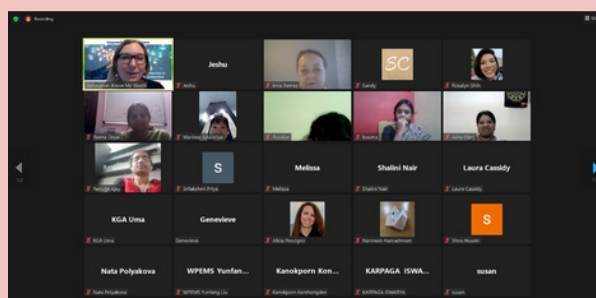
Let's connect-Know My World!

Cultural exchange programmes helps us to learn how to co-exist and feel compassion for different communities around. Communication crossing the cultural indifferences acts as the windows to the world.

A programme of KNOW MY WORLD was conducted by Ms. Genevieve for the teachers across the countries like India, U.S.A, Uganda Sweden..... .It is been tailored till Month of May . Teachers of KGA attended learnt about the Taiwanese culture.

A brief introduction was given as how to train the student to exchange the culture differences.

Cultural awareness, sensitivity, appropriateness knowledge and competence were discussed.



REPUBLIC DAY:

Long Live India's Republic.

73rd Republic day was celebrated virtually with the KGA Team Nothing can stop us carrying forward any event . Flag hoisting was done virtually followed by Tamil flag song and National anthem.

Our Principal Ms. Shalini with a vision to offer vital resources and support services for her students, in her speech addressed the children as the ambassadors of future India and they are going to carry forward the legacy of India so it is necessary to hold on the values and become a good citizen .

The Middle school performed dance, delivered declamation speech, legacy story of freedom fighters was shared patriotic song was sung and the spirit of patriotism

The Junior school, Little kikanians danced their way to Tricolored glory. They came up with innovative ideas of listing all the freedom fighters in the Alphabetical order . It was indeed a visual treat watching them decked up like freedom fighters.

It was a Memorable event.



PONGAL CELEBRATION:

Pongal, an important harvest festival celebrated in Tamilnadu, was virtually celebrated among our students for four consecutive days.

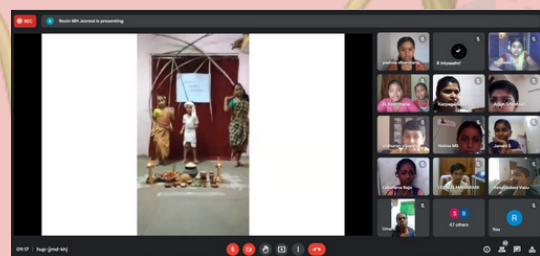
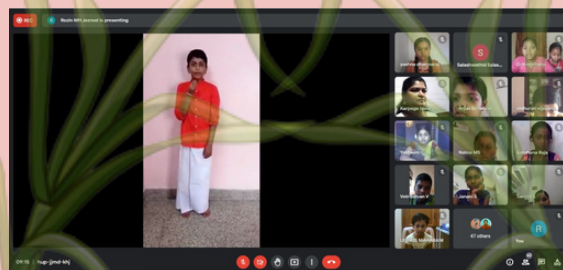
Each day of the week from 10th, Bhogi Pongal, Thai Pongal, Mattu Pongal and Kaanum Pongal were celebrated. It's significance and information were manifested through dance and songs.

The traditions of harvest festivals in other states of our country, like Lohri, Makar Sankranti, Magh Bihu, etc, were highlighted to the students. Children from different states expressed their tradition and culture and were attired in their traditional wear.

In the special assembly on 13th Jan to celebrate this festival, students actively participated in folk dance, folk songs and shared their colourful rangoli. Children were donned in traditional attire and also as sun god to show their gratitude to the powerhouse.

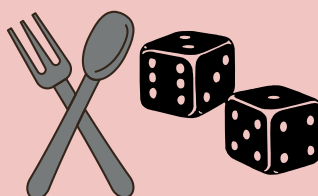
Our Correspondent, Mr. Tushar Kikani, attended the assembly and wished the children a very happy and prosperous Pongal.

Our Principal, Ms. Shalini, gave her blessings to the children by her wishes on this auspicious day.



FOOD AND GAMES:

Wrapping up the term with food games and music! Food and games are always integral part of children's life. Food fest and games were conducted to mark the end of the term which was followed by Term-End Assembly. Principal, Ms. Shalini said "The main idea behind conducting it was to create an awareness among the children to collect the money from such activities and donate it to less privileged". Children had the opportunity to taste variety of snacks. Altogether it was a foodie day in the campus. Finally the Term-End Assembly to mark the end of the academic year. A short break, a much awaited was announced to the students to gear them up for the next academic year.



VACCINATION CAMP:

Healthy Children, Healthy Nation!

A Vaccination Camp was held in KGA campus on 28th March 2022 for the 12+ age group.

Children were provided Corbevax with the parents' consent and under the guidance of Principal, Ms. Shalini and Class Teachers.

Health Department is working round the clock to see that the children are vaccinated. We thank the unstinted support by Karadimadai Primary Health Centre, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu for such an initiative.



LITTLE MOONS - ADIOS!

Graduation - is a time to celebrate new beginnings. It is warm memories of the past and big dreams for the future. Our Kindergarten graduation, Little Moons - Adios, was an exciting milestone for our pre-primary children as it's their first step towards a future full of hopes and possibilities.

To bless our tiny tots and encourage them to be great learners, Ms. Anandhi, Head Mistress, Kikani Higher Secondary School, Mr. Tushar Kikani, Correspondent and the members of the Trust Mr. Pradeep Kikani, Mr. Prakash K Asher and Mr. Diresh Raichura graced the occasion with their presence.

Ms. Anandhi, the Chief Guest, addressed the gathering and blessed the graduating children.

Mr. Tushar shared the vision of the school and appreciated the cooperation and support of the parents.

Ms. Shalini, Principal, put in a nutshell the way KGA walked through this academic year.

Ms. Booma, Coordinator of KG wing, presented the annual report of lower primary section.

The programme began with an invocation dance by little Kikanians.

A skit on the theme 'A Day at School' woven with dance and many other fun elements were played.

The students left everybody spellbound as they danced on tunes of some vibrant music instrumentals displaying breathtaking colours with highly coordinated movements that promptly set the tone and mood of the atmosphere to an all-time high.

The most important part of the celebrations i.e. KG students walking on the stage for their KG convocation. Their smiling faces were welcomed by rapturous applause from the audience as they received scrolls of merit on the dais.

Certificates and trophies were given for an all-rounder boy and girl and for those who had 100% attendance.

1. K. Pranav - certificate of excellence (All-Rounder)
2. Neha Raghunath - Certificate of excellence (All Rounder)
3. R.Y. Aarathrika - (Full attendance)

They were also honoured with Kantha and Kishandas Kikani Memorial cash award.





BACK TO SCHOOL

The first day's cry and laughter of our little Kikanians spread around like the sound of music. Balloons welcomed them with a touch of chocolates.

Ms. Shalini Nair, the Principal, expressed her tinge of love to our little ones. She made them all feel warm at heart and brought a smile on their faces with her jingles. The tiniest ones of the group were presented with a welcome kit. The fun activities brought their mischievous face out and they totally enjoyed them. Their tiny fingers imprinting colours and their cosy little foot riding bicycles were a treat for the eyes.

Kids watching School Cinema was a cherry on top. Visual treats made them feel lost in fun. Teachers danced to the tunes along with the young tiny tots. It was a colourful day with mixed emotions.

The ferry of our senior students back to school for the new academic year was a merriment. It was fun and frolic the whole day. New-'bees' were welcomed.

Ms. Shalini, Principal, welcomed Grade 3 to the world of Middle School. Through Interactive story telling, she imparted the message of imbibing values in life for a better human being.

Ms. Asha Mary, Vice Principal, introduced all the teachers to the children and wished them a colourful KGA journey.

The laughter echoed in the hallways. They were engrossed in plenty of activities and mind games which would improve concentration, vocabulary etc.

School Cinema calmed their minds and refreshed their souls. Their hands on instruments soothed the entire atmosphere.



SAVE THE SOIL

Tiny tots learning to understand soil and it's importance. Inculcating nature in young minds in a natural way. KGA extends hands with Isha's mission of saving soil. From Isha, Mr. Satheesh, Ms. Radha & Ms. Keerthivasan volunteered to ignite the urge in the children to save Mother Earth.

Children tapped their feet for the Soil Song, the lyrics of which will linger in their hearts ever reminding them of their role to care for and restore soil health. Kids and all the staff members marked their soil by dipped hand imprints assuring to save soil. Principal, Ms. Shalini Nair, engaged the children in planting saplings in the school grounds and rekindled the bond with Mother Earth.

KGA's contribution to maintaining ecology and soil.



INTERNATIONAL HEALTH WEEK

Knowledge of health is the wealth of our nation.

As part of 'The International Adolescent Health Week' program, KGA organized an interactive session on 09 March 2022 on 'Common Health Problems faced by students' for the students of Grade 6 to 8 with Dr. Suman CPS, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, VGM Hospital & Lalitha Hospital, Coimbatore.

He shared the pearls of wisdom on some substantial problems that the youth of this generation face. The tips and tricks for healthy life rejuvenated the children. He quoted that in the thrill of the invigorating youth, students tend to neglect their health and suffer later.

He highlighted good practices that can keep the diseases away and make one's life worthwhile. The members of staff were also benefitted by the session.

Ms. Shalini Nair, Principal, welcomed the guest speaker and greeted him with the green token of love. She insisted on initiating the health seeking behaviour in childhood.

Ms. Asha Mary, Vice Principal, thanked Dr Suman for creating a potential impact in the children and presented a memento.

The seed of good health is sown.



CONNECTING YOUNG MINDS TO SAFETY

Gr 8 students of KGA had the privilege to participate in the UYIR CONNECT programme.

The students were accompanied by our Principal Ms. Shalini Nair, Activity Coordinator Ms. Preethi and our Admin Ms. Rezin Jezreel.

Our Correspondent, Mr. Tushar Kikani, honoured Mr. Lindner with a shawl as a mark of respect.

Our Principal Ms. Shalini Nair congratulated the students for their brilliant creativity.

Various schools participated and around nine schools presented their exhibits in alignment with the theme. The mime, on road safety, performed by the students was mind blowing.

The event was presided by Mr Walter J Lindner, the German Ambassador to India. Our students exchanged greetings and had a brief interaction with Mr. Walter in German. The foreign language learning in the school removed the barriers of communication.

Dr Rajasekharan, Managing trustee of UYIR and Chairman, Ganga hospitals, addressed the audience on the road safety measures and precautions to be taken in order to prevent accidents on Indian roads.

Trustee, Mr. Pradeep, Mr. Neil Kikani and other dignitaries adorned the function with their presence



THE INTERNATIONAL ADOLESCENT HEALTH WEEK

The International Adolescent Health Week is a week of dynamic participatory events to inspire adolescents to advocate for a successful transition into adulthood.

Grade 7 students of KGA participated in the Essay Writing and Drawing Contests conducted by Young Indians (Yi) on the topic - Transition from childhood to adulthood, physically and mentally (or) Transition from a pre-pandemic life to a life shaped by pandemic.

The ones who won laurels were honoured with certificates and cash vouchers in the valedictory ceremony held at Race Course, Coimbatore on 09 March 2022.

Essay Writing –

Dakshith Nair – III Prize

Akash – Consolation Prize

Drawing –

Vetriselvan – Consolation Prize

Soundarya – Consolation Prize

KGA congratulates all the winners!

The students were also a part of Art Fest organised by Yi. They explored art in depth and immersed their thoughts to appreciate its forms.



MR. TUSHAR KIKANI - EDULEADER

Kikani group of institutions is elated and honoured to celebrate the uniqueness of our beloved Correspondent, Mr. Tushar Kikani, who has been awarded with the title 'Eduleader of the year 2022' by Brainfeed.

His contribution to the field of education is immense and noteworthy. He plays a vital role not only in improving the quality of school education but also in enriching the lives of the students.

KGA family gathered to congratulate him. We are proud to work with such an enigmatic leader.

Yet another feather on our cap.

CELEBRATING THE SPIRIT OF COIMBATORE

KGA joins hands with Coimbatore Vizha program with the theme, 'Rangoli across the world' brought in an international dimension and global outlook.

Students of class 3 designed vedic rangoli patterns whereas class 4 exhibited the various types of everyday rangoli. Grade 5 students delved into Navagraha rangoli and depicted the nine influential heavenly bodies. Students of Grade 6 and 7 portrayed the rangoli patterns of the neighbouring states of Tamilnadu. Grade 8 connected rangoli globally. Patterns of Nepalese, African and Wales were beautifully designed by the students with the guidance of their teachers. Children also explained every minute detail of it in various languages.

The activity helped in building and contributing to research from a young age. They were all in traditional costume which further enhanced the essence of the day.

Mr.Neil Kikani and Ms.Abhilasha from the Young Indians team graced the occasion and motivated the children by sharing the spirit of Coimbatore. Mr. Pradeep, Trustee, addressed the students and intrigued their individuality. Ms. Shalini Nair, Principal, welcomed the Vizha team and thanked them for their support with all activities since 2021.

The emotion, 'Coimbatore', was celebrated and cherished at KGA!



CHERISHING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF EVERY DAY IS ONE OF THE SPECIALITY OF KGA!

Tamil New Year and Vishu which comes along with Easter, this year, sets in the celebration mood in all. Amidst our participation in Coimbatore Vizha, children sang and danced the day away. Treasure hunt ignited the curiosity in everyone. The blend of drama, dance and songs made the day a memorable one.

Ms.Shalini Nair, Principal, greeted the children for the special days in row and narrated the significance of the days in a simplified version for our kids.

The coordinators Ms. Booma and Ms. Preethi along with the entire team of teachers planned and executed the activities for primary and middle school. Sweets and payasam (sweet made of milk and sevai) was distributed.

DEAR - DROP EVERYTHING AND READ

On World Book Day, Principal, Ms. Shalini Nair, introduced a special reading session at KGA.

The session was designed to encourage daily reading time a priority. Students and teachers put aside all distractions and enjoyed reading together. It was a splendid moment of slowly taking in a new habit.



SCOUTS AND GUIDES INAUGURATION

As the saying goes "Scouting rises within you and inspires you to put forth your best", we at KGA have risen up with great dynamism inaugurating the Scouts and Guides on the 23rd of April 2022.

The Inaugural function began with a Prayer by Ms.Parul Kikani followed by the Welcome Address by Ms.Shalini Nair, Principal. Dr.Sunitha Kikani motivated the scouts and guides and briefed her nostalgic and cherishing experiences.

Mr.Tushar Kikani cherished upon the inauguration and wished the team good luck on their new endeavor.

The distinguished guests of the day Mr.R.Lakshmanan, District Training Commissioner declared the Scouts and Guide open and enlightened the children with his valuable speech which kindled the fire in each and every student.

Dr B.Sivakumaran District commissioner (s) and Zonal In-charge, Mrs.Preethimohana (g)

District Training Commissioner (g) and Mr. Pradeep Kikani, Trustee graced the occasion with their presence.

Scouts and Guides were given their scarfs and caps and they took up an oath. The horse shoe formation was the splendid sight to watch as they greeted each other in pride.

The flag was honoured in a special way. It was handed over by Mr.R.Lakshmanan, District Training Commissioner to the Chief Guest, Ms.Sunita Kikani who in turn passed it on to the Principal, Ms Shalini Nair. The Principal, in turn, handed it over to Ms. Uma and Mr. Arun, the Scouts and Guides Masters with due respect to it.

LEARNING BEYOND PROFESSIONAL CONCENTRATION!

It was nice to have Ms.Shibi Anand, a change enabler and the founder of N'Able, IT Head, Programme Coordinator, Dept Head of Computer Science at Excelsior English School Kottayam, Kerala, visit our school campus on 26 April and interact with the teachers on understanding human relations.

She shared the values of human relations and the ways to maintain a healthy and happy bonding with all. The principle "Die empty" i.e. sharing whatever little we know with others was also elaborated in detail. Teachers were motivated to appreciate each other to strengthen their inner self.

Principal, Ms.Shalini Nair, expressed her ideologies on human relations and shared her experiences.

Principal, Ms. Shalini Nair, and Vice Principal, Ms. Mary Asha honored the guest speaker with a token of love and KGA pride badge.



CREATING RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS - KNOW MY WORLD'S DIGITAL CROSS- CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

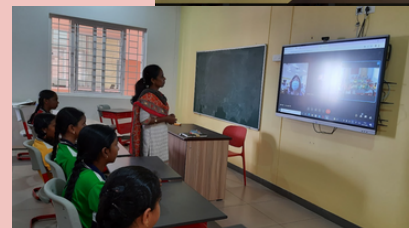
We aim to create learning opportunities in which our students can achieve academic goals while developing a deeper understanding of social, emotional, and cultural competencies. KGA's partnership with Know My World's digital cross-cultural exchange program provided opportunities for our students to connect with students abroad and the program focused on cultural understanding and global awareness.

On 26 April 2022, our students of Grade 5 connected with the students of Da-Feng Elementary School in Taiwan under the guidance of Ms. Srilakshmi Priya. Ms. Booma guided the students of Grade 3 to link with the kids of American School in Taichung. Ms. Uma mentored the students of Grade 6 to collaborate with the students of Daye Junior High School in Taiwan.

Kids asked questions and connected with foreigners to learn about each other, their communities. They enthusiastically answered the questions from the partnering school students. It was fun-filled learning. Excitement overflowed their hearts and happiness lingered everywhere.

Principal, Ms. Shalini Nair, connected with the foreign school students virtually and expressed her kind gesture of happiness in getting to meet them. She greeted the teachers and principals of those schools and wished them good luck.

Creating a learning environment supporting real-time skills!

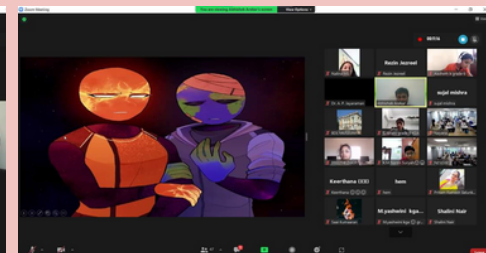
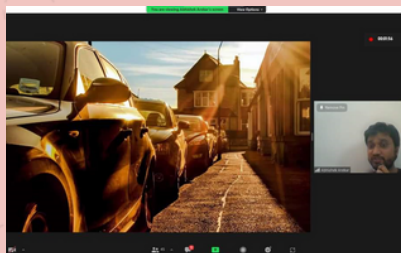
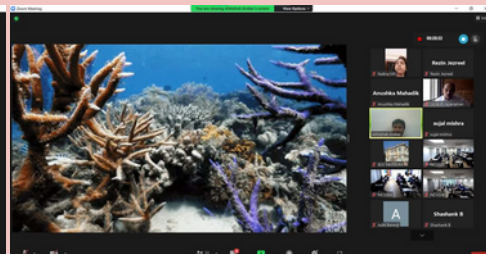


ATTENTION TO GLOBAL EMERGENCY

Our students of Grade 6 to 8 participated in a virtual session on 27 April on the topic 'Understanding Climate Change' conducted by Mr. Abishek Arekar and Dr. Jayaram, Steam Academy.

The impacts of climate change, global warming, greenhouse effects and the measures that can be taken by human beings to bring a positive effect were discussed in detail. Students were triggered to act as global advocates. They resolved to be 'solution makers'.

It was an interesting and thought provoking session.



TRIPS:

STAFF TRIP:

A journey is better measured in smiles than in miles. A short trip for KGA staff members to God's own country (Agali, Palakkad District) resulted in memories that will last a lifetime.

It was such an amazing experience to feel the rush of running waters and walk on the bamboo bridge. The sunset point, Narasimook, was a lovely place setting our emotions right and happy.

The camp fire on the dark night pulled the gloom out of us. We danced around the cheery little blaze and we could feel our spirits rise along with the smoke that drifted towards the stars. The trip was totally enjoyable and helped each one understand others better which, we believe, will eventually develop a strong team.



FIELD TRIP:

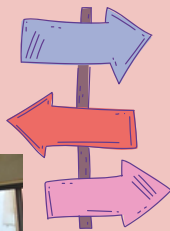
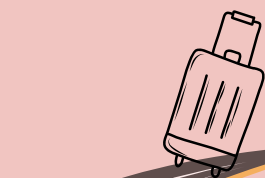
The First Field Trip of our Young Kikanians | Solidifying Learning! It's not only our staff but also our students who cherish their journey in KGA.

A fun learning visit to GD Museum, Avinashi Road, Coimbatore on the 4th of March by the students of Grade 5 to 7 facilitated first hand knowledge away from the classroom.

Their visit to the Science and Car Museum took them beyond reading a concept in the textbooks. The students were head over heels seeing the vintage cars and impressive collection of various electrical and scientific devices.

Ms. Shalini, Principal, detailed them on the behavioral expectations and also insisted them to pen down the learning.

This long awaited mind boggling trip allowed students to interact with their learning.



CLASS ACTIVITIES:

A class with high level of participation becomes a powerful society.

Our little Kikanians were given activities to explore and expose their talents during this bridging programme. Children participated in sensorial activities, fine motor skills, gross motor skills, speaking skills, on air writing practice.



ART HOUSE AND EXIBITS:



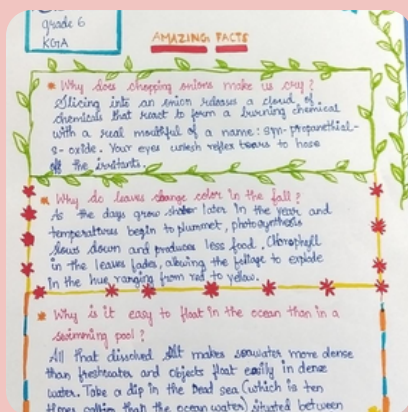
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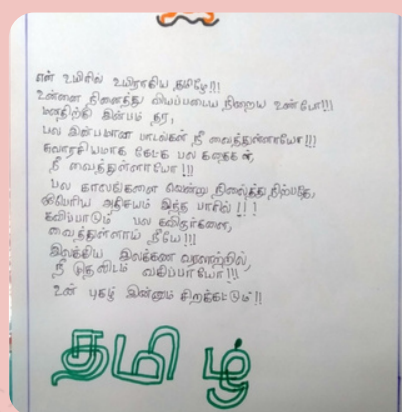
Shanmathi D - Grade 6



Dakshith Nair - Grade 7



Dhivyasree S P - Grade 6



Curudeep - Grade 6



Vikash R - Grade 7

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Hello KGA families,

We come to the end of our 1st academic year that we started virtually and went on to a hybrid mode.

We are proud to have associated with Tata Classedge smart class rooms, Infosys Spring board, Prodigy Math Classes, Save our Soil, Coimbatore Vizha, Guide and Scout movement, Know my world collaboration with Taiwan Schools(SDG project) providing a holistic development to your child.



Ms Shalini Nair

Let's welcome the new start 2022-23. The start of something new always brings hope. However, we are not judged by what we start but by what we finish. The start of the new year is important, but we also want to think about where we are going with this. What do our students want to accomplish this year? What new activities and experiences do they need to have?

As a school, we are hitting our stride. We have settled into our groove and our routines. We are seeing the effects of the Pandemic in our classrooms, BUT, that was to be expected. I would encourage all of us to focus our conversations on content, understanding, and effort. Not so much on the actual grades. Grades are the product of the three points above and may take more time than we are used to seeing. Students are certainly improving each and every day, but we are all working through behaviors that have developed over the past 10-months. Again, that is OK. Your child is in the marathon called school, not in the sprint called primary school or middle school. Continue to celebrate all of the little wins. This will lead to a big celebration at the end.

All of us are embarking upon a new school year with a lot of changes. We are looking to forge new friendships, meet new teachers and learn new routines. Kikani Global Academy is a safe and caring learning community that values parental input be that in person or electronically. We work together with our families to make sure we are making the absolute best educational decisions for all students, your children. Teachers will keep you informed of classroom activities in your whatsapp groups.

I look forward to meeting all of you. If you have any questions, concerns or ideas you would like to discuss, please feel free to call me at the school or schedule an appointment. Thank you for partnering with us to make Kikani Global Academy such a wonderful place to learn, grow and prepare our student to have amazing futures.

With Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shalini Nair". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Principal

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