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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

At Hindustan International School, we proudly align with Sustainable Development Goal 14: Life Below Water, by fostering a deep sense of responsibility in our students toward the protection and preservation of marine ecosystems. We believe that a healthy ocean is vital to life on Earth, and that education must play a key role in nurturing stewards of our blue planet. From an early age, our learners are introduced to the wonders of aquatic life and the challenges threatening our oceans, such as plastic pollution, overfishing, and coral bleaching. Through interactive sessions, field trips to water bodies, and partnerships with marine conservation organizations, students gain a clear understanding of the delicate balance within marine ecosystems. Our commitment to SDG 14 extends into real-world action. Students participate in beach clean-up drives, water conservation campaigns, and projects aimed at reducing plastic usage within the school community. These experiences not only build awareness but empower students to become proactive protectors of life below water. Initiatives such as creating marine-themed art from recycled materials, organizing ocean-awareness weeks, and conducting research on local aquatic biodiversity help bridge the gap between knowledge and advocacy. Our young changemakers also explore sustainable seafood practices, track marine pollution sources, and simulate marine policy decisions during eco-conferences and model summits. At Hindustan International School, protecting life below water is not merely a subject in the curriculum—it is a mindset we cultivate. It's a continuous journey toward sustainability, where every student becomes a voice for the voiceless oceans and a guardian of marine life for generations to come.

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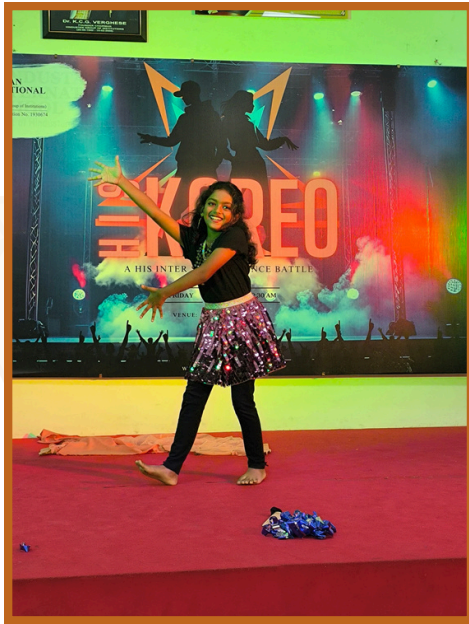
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MEET A TREE: DISCOVERING NATURE UP CLOSE

The Meet a Tree activity gave young learners a chance to explore the wonders of nature in an engaging and hands-on way. Students were encouraged to closely observe trees—their textures, shapes, and patterns—while reflecting on the vital role trees play in our environment. The activity nurtured essential skills such as observation, creativity, and appreciation for the natural world. By interacting with nature directly, children developed a sense of curiosity and responsibility towards protecting it. The simple yet meaningful experience left them with a deeper connection to the environment and a renewed understanding of how trees contribute to life around us.

JANMASHTAMI JOY: STORIES OF KINDNESS, FRIENDSHIP, AND DEVOTION

Janmashtami, marking the birth of Lord Krishna, was celebrated with joy and devotion on campus. The day began with a special assembly where children gathered to listen to the enchanting stories of Krishna's life, his playful childhood, and his timeless teachings. The celebration offered an opportunity to reflect on values such as kindness, friendship, and devotion, which remain relevant across generations. With eager faces and attentive hearts, the little ones absorbed lessons from the life of Lord Krishna, learning that true strength lies in compassion and righteousness. The event combined storytelling with cultural enrichment, leaving children inspired and connected to the spirit of Janmashtami.



LITTLE ICONS, BIG INSPIRATIONS: CELEBRATING INDIA'S HEROES

Our HISTAR students proudly participated in the Iconic Indians competition, a vibrant celebration of the nation's legendary heroes. Through powerful portrayals of freedom fighters such as Bhagat Singh, Rani Lakshmibai, and Subhas Chandra Bose, the young participants brought history alive on stage. Their performances reflected courage, sacrifice, and patriotism, reminding everyone of the values that continue to inspire generations. The competition emphasized the importance of hard work, kindness, and the pursuit of dreams, leaving a lasting impression on the audience. With confident voices and spirited expressions, the students not only honored the brave heroes of our country but also strengthened their own understanding of India's glorious past.



THE JOY OF MUSIC: A DAY TO SING, DANCE, AND CELEBRATE

Music filled the air as our HISTAR children joyfully celebrated Music Day. The event created a vibrant atmosphere where little ones sang, danced, and explored the rhythms that bring people together. From clapping along to cheerful tunes to swaying in harmony with friends, the children experienced the magic of music in its purest form. The celebration highlighted how music can make us feel happy, energetic, and connected, transcending boundaries and building friendships. Teachers observed the infectious enthusiasm of the young ones as they expressed themselves freely through melodies and movement. The day was a beautiful reminder that music is not just sound—it is joy, energy, and togetherness.





ANNUAL SPORTS DAY

The 8th Annual Sports Day was conducted with grandeur and enthusiasm. The event was graced by Dr. Kannan Pugazhendi, Chairman of the Indian Institute of Sports Medicine and Founder Trustee of SPARRC Trust, as the Chief Guest, and Ms. Scindhia Hallan, Wellness Coach, as the Guest of Honour. Their inspiring words set the tone for the celebration of fitness, discipline, and perseverance. Students from Grade HISTAR to Grade XII actively participated in a wide range of track and field events, relays, and team competitions. The march past and drill displays added color and vibrancy to the occasion. In the award ceremony, Abraham Lincoln and Margaret Thatcher Houses won the Discipline Trophy, Margaret Thatcher House secured the March Past award, Nelson Mandela and Mahatma Gandhi Houses won Best Drill and Display, and Abraham Lincoln House proudly lifted the Overall Championship Trophy.



BASKETBALL TEAMS BRING GLORY

The Inter-School Basketball Tournament at Padur witnessed thrilling performances from our senior students. Both the Boys' and Girls' teams displayed exceptional skill, teamwork, and determination, battling their way into the finals. Their consistent efforts and spirited play earned them the Runner-Up position in both categories. The courts echoed with their resilience and sportsmanship. The tournament proved to be more than just a competition—it was a testament to the values of discipline, strategy, and perseverance. The achievement has set a shining example for budding athletes and reaffirmed the importance of sports as a platform for growth and leadership.



ESPERANZA 2025: A CULTURAL EXTRAVAGANZA



Esperanza 2025-26 transformed the campus into a vibrant hub of colour, talent, and creativity. The inter-school cultural fest brought together students from leading schools across Chennai, including SAN Academy, VELS International, KC High, APL Global, and our own Padur and Guindy campuses. The celebration began with a high-spirited flash mob by our students, followed by the inaugural ceremony graced by celebrated theatre and film artist Mr. Krishnakumar Balasubramanian, who inspired students with his journey and message on how the arts can be a tool for transformation and social impact. A soulful invocation dance set a graceful tone for the day ahead. Throughout the campus, events such as photography, culinary challenges, AI art, filmmaking, storytelling, and theatre kept the atmosphere buzzing with creativity and collaboration. The valedictory ceremony featured acclaimed music composer Nivas K. Prasanna, whose heartfelt address and live performance enthralled the audience. Esperanza concluded with pride, applause, and the joy of celebrating student potential in its truest form.



LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM



This month, our younger learners embarked on exciting field trips designed to enrich classroom lessons with real-world experiences. Students of Grades I to III visited Guindy Children's Park, where they observed a wide range of animals and birds in their natural habitats. The trip nurtured curiosity about biodiversity and sparked meaningful discussions on the importance of conservation. Grade IV explored the Birla Planetarium, where students were fascinated by immersive sky shows and exhibits on astronomy, space exploration, and scientific discoveries, igniting their imagination about the universe. Meanwhile, Grade V journeyed to the Shell Museum at Mahabalipuram, home to an extraordinary collection of shells and marine specimens, offering unique insights into marine ecosystems and coastal heritage. Teachers noted how these trips enhanced observation, inquiry, and reflective thinking, while students returned with stories of wonder and discovery. Each outing beautifully combined fun and learning, making knowledge come alive beyond classroom walls.



PATRIOTISM IN ACTION



As a prelude to Independence Day, the campus came alive with a series of patriotic competitions that showcased the creativity, confidence, and national pride of students from PP1 to Grade XI. The youngest learners in Grades I and II charmed the audience in a Fancy Dress competition, appearing as freedom fighters like Subhas Chandra Bose, Jhansi Rani Lakshmibai, and Bhagat Singh, complete with heartfelt lines that brought history alive. Students of Grades III to V delivered powerful speeches on “The Freedom Fighter I Admire” in English, Tamil, and Hindi, inspiring all with their passion. In the Biology Lab, Grades VI to VIII translated patriotism into art during a Poster Making competition on Operation Sindoor, while students of Grades IX and XI impressed with original, thought-provoking slogans on Social Responsibility. The competitions not only celebrated freedom but also instilled respect, responsibility, and pride in every participant.



A PROUD INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

The 79th Independence Day was celebrated with grandeur and heartfelt patriotism. The tricolour was unfurled by Dr. Muthukumar S, Registrar of KCG College of Technology, who also addressed students with an inspiring message on becoming ethical, responsible citizens. Principal Ms. Bharathi Lakshmi reminded everyone that freedom comes with responsibility and urged students to serve the nation with integrity and compassion. The celebration featured a vibrant cultural program—patriotic speeches in three languages by young voices from PP3 to Grade VII, soulful songs by the school choir, and energetic dances depicting India's unity in diversity. A disciplined march past and spirited performances added pride to the occasion. The highlight of the day was the prize distribution ceremony, where winners of the pre-Independence Day competitions were felicitated. The celebration left every heart brimming with gratitude, reminding all that freedom is both a gift and a duty to be upheld.



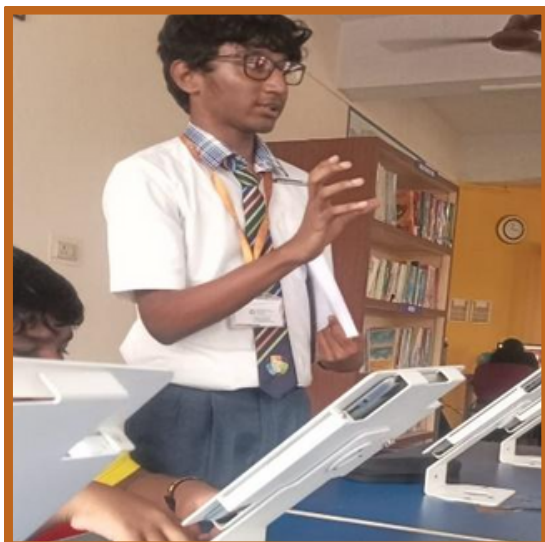
THE BIRTH OF THE SHAKESPEAREAN SOCIETY

A new milestone in our literary journey was marked with the inauguration of the Shakespearean Society, envisioned by our Chairman Dr. Anand Jacob Verghese to give students a platform to explore and appreciate the timeless works of William Shakespeare. The launch event was graced by the Principal, teachers, and students of Grades IX–XII and Literary Club. Highlights included a captivating recital of Sonnet 107 by Literary Club Captain, and a powerful rendition of Hamlet's soliloquy by Cultural Club Captain, which drew loud applause. Adding to the charm, a student dressed as William Shakespeare symbolically inaugurated the society. The Principal's address emphasized the value of Shakespeare's works in fostering creativity, critical thinking, and confidence. The event concluded with enthusiasm as 20 students expressed interest in registering, eager to embark on this vibrant literary journey. The Shakespearean Society promises to become a hub for literature, performance, and imagination.



CHERISHING CHENNAI: MADRAS DAY

The 386th Madras Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm under the theme “Chennai: Forever Madras at Heart.” The day honored the city’s rich heritage and cultural legacy while recognizing its journey into a modern metropolis. Students of Grades VI–VIII engaged in Stories of Madras to Chennai, where teachers narrated the transformation of the city, highlighting its historical and architectural landmarks. Grades IX–XII participated in a spirited debate on “Madras uh? Chennai uh?”, presenting compelling arguments that balanced nostalgia with pride in Chennai’s growth. The Nelson Mandela House emerged as the winner. A highlight of the day was the Memory Wall, where students and staff pinned personal notes and cherished memories of Chennai, creating a colorful mosaic of experiences. The celebration fostered pride, reflection, and bonding, reminding everyone that Chennai is a city deeply rooted in tradition yet soaring towards modernity.



YOUNG PIONEERS: NURTURING FUTURE INNOVATORS

The Young Pioneers Program – The Entrepreneur’s Pathway inspired students from Grades VI to IX and XI to think like entrepreneurs and problem-solvers. Led by Mr. Ashwin Adhikari, the session introduced students to mentorship, masterclasses, and launchpads, while emphasizing creativity, leadership, and critical thinking as essential skills for the future. The interactive atmosphere encouraged students to ask questions about innovation, risk-taking, and ethical decision-making, with many confidently sharing their personal aspirations. Through engaging examples, Mr. Adhikari highlighted the importance of resilience, initiative, and purpose-driven leadership. The program concluded with students feeling energized to pursue ideas that can create meaningful impact, marking the beginning of their entrepreneurial journey.



ALLEGRO 2025 – INTER HOUSE SINGING COMPETITION

Also held on 28th August 2025, ALLEGRO 2025 (Season 2) echoed through the halls of HIS Karapakkam with melodic harmonies and passionate performances. Organized by the Music Department, this inter-house singing competition brought together 90 participants from Grades I to XII, featuring solo performances categorized by grade level and a group singing category where teams represented their respective houses. The event aimed to nurture confidence, teamwork, and vocal talent among students, as they performed in front of peers and judges. The group singing category, in particular, was a crowd favorite, as each house showcased its musical unity, creativity in arrangement, and stage presence.

ALLEGRO 2025 was not only a competition but also a celebration of the power of music to bring people together, making it an enriching and enjoyable experience for all involved.



SPLASH & CLASH 2025 – A CELEBRATION OF ART

Held on 28th August 2025 at HIS Karapakkam, **SPLASH & CLASH 2025** brought together enthusiastic participants from various grade levels. The art competition featured a diverse range of categories including Printout Coloring, Finger Painting, Landscape Acrylic Painting, Mandala & Doodle, and Still Life. Each category showcased the creativity, imagination, and artistic flair of the students. The event served as a vibrant platform for young artists to express themselves and demonstrate their unique artistic perspectives. From the tiniest finger painters to the detailed strokes of acrylic landscapes, the atmosphere was filled with colors, inspiration, and talent.

SPLASH & CLASH 2025 stood out as a memorable highlight of the academic year, celebrating the rich artistic potential of HIS students.



UPCOMING EVENTS

NEWSHIS- SEPTEMBER

- **TEACHER'S DAY**
- **ONAM**
- **NUTRITION WEEK**
- **GRANDPARENTS DAY**
- **TERM I / REVISION EXAMS**
- **COMMENCEMENT OF NAVARATRI HOLIDAYS**