

Kaleidoscope



January

Small opportunities are often the beginning of great achievements!

- Demosthenes

A new year, new beginnings, new dreams and new aspirations. As the year 2022 unveils, the world fervently pines for a resumption to normalcy. Online classes continued to be the order of the day, as the fury of the Covid-19 pandemic raged unabated.

February

"Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do ..are in harmony."

- Mahatma Gandhi

Spring ushers in joy, creating beautiful patterns in our souls! This year aims to get better in every aspect. Laughter lingers in the air, purifying the world with serene energy and an exquisite feeling of betterment, healing everything. Intermittent offline sessions were held for the students of classes X and XII in lieu of their forthcoming Board Examinations.

March

"Success is the sum of all small efforts repeated day in and day out!"

- Robert Collier

The Annual Examinations for classes 9 and 11 were conducted in offline mode owing to the indefatigable pandemic. For classes 1-8, they were held online as the ugly fangs of the COVID-19 pandemic had not been obliterated totally. Classes 10 and 12 geared up for their CBSE Board Examinations, scheduled to be held in the month of May.

April

"The capacity to learn is a gift; the ability to learn is a skill; the willingness to learn is a choice."

- Brian Herbert

A new school year heralds fresh starts, adventures, friendships, and of course fresh perspectives. After a long hiatus, the robust crowd of students with merry minds stepped into a brand new year of schooling with full gusto. Making a fresh start, Chettinad Vidyashram commenced yet another successful academic journey.

May

"We are in this together; we would get through this together."

Just like every other year, students of classes X and XII appeared and performed their very best in the Term 2 Board Examinations. Despite the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the exams were held with efficacy and precision. It was a monumental event, as these digital warriors had borne the brunt of the pandemic and had received most of their instructions via online lessons





June

*“You can do anything if you have the enthusiasm.
It is the yeast that makes your hopes rise to the stars.”*

Chettinad Vidyalaya auspiciously began the new academic year with the traditional Aksharabhyasam ceremony on June 9th. Our youngest CV'ians were initiated into the world of education in this time-honoured practice. The esteemed heads of our school were a part of this religious ritual, which invokes the blessings of Goddess Saraswati for our younglings.

The 8th Edition of the International Yoga Day was celebrated on the 21st of June globally. Following the theme ‘Yoga for Humanity’, the world is now clinging to yoga as a resurrection from the ills caused by the pandemic, pollution, poor food habits etc. Students of our school performed various asanas in a synchronised fashion, showcasing an outstanding show. The Chief Guest, Swami Suprajananda graced the occasion and addressed the audience with a thought-provoking speech.

Encapsulating young minds, with an emerging force of ambitious thoughts, Chettinad Vidyashram organised its 6th Edition of AMPERSAND Inter-School Debate competition on 28th and 29th of June. Mrs. Vani Vasudevan – Director, Orient Blackswan and Ms. Kayalvizhi Arivalan, a famous radio jockey, were the Chief Guests on day 1, while day 2, witnessed Mr. Aanand Srinivas as the Chief Guest.

July

“Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality.”

- Warren Bennis

The Investiture Ceremony held on the 1st of July was a glorious event in which young talents were entrusted with offices of responsibility and commitment by the Principal Dr. Mrs. S. Amudha Lakshmi. The prefects took an oath to uphold the integrity and glory of the school with the school captains showing immense dedication and diligence while spearheading this year’s Prefectorial Council.

Chettinad Vidyashram’s Model United Nations, was held on the 8th, 9th, and 10th of July, with over 380 delegates from 20+ schools professing supreme ideologies to discuss matters of international crises. Mr. Scott Hartman, Cultural Affairs Officer US Consulate and Mr. Arvind Thiyagarajan, CEO & Founder H.D Medicals Inc. graced the occasion as Chief Guests. The winners were felicitated by the Principal and the Vice Principal.

Vidyalaya’s festive dress-up show was a resounding success! On July 23rd, avatars of Lord Shiva, Lord Muruga and Charlie Chaplin, amongst many others walked the ramp. The tiny tots of LKG, UKG and Montessori expressed themselves through innovative and inspiring costumes. The event was adjudged by eminent personalities from different fields like child care and medicine who concluded that every participant was prize-worthy.

With excellence in academics, CV also aims at the holistic development of its students. The 37th Annual Sports Meet was held on 31st July at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium. Mr. M.V.S. Choudhary (Chief Commissioner, Customs Zone) was the Chief Guest of this grand event. Students performed various activities like march past, yoga and dance which was followed by several sporting events.

August

*“Patriotism is not short frenzied outbursts of emotions,
but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime.”*

- Adlai Stevenon

Instilled with the feeling of patriotism and courage, the tricolour was hoisted high by the Principal on 15th August marking the 75th Independence Day. Various vibrant cultural performances filled the atmosphere with a feeling of loyalty and allegiance towards the nation. Students were awarded prizes for various competitions that were conducted in the school as a part of the Azaadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. Madras Day was celebrated on August 22nd with a lot of pomp and splendour.

September

*“The influence of teachers extends beyond
the classroom , well into the future.”*

- Francisco Sionil Jose

Teachers' Day was celebrated with a lot of pomp and grandeur in Chettinad Vidyashram . The Teachers' Day Programme was organised with joyous events like channel surfing, skits, and many more! Students of classes 4 to 10 had an exciting interaction with the seniors of the school! The Principal delivered a Vote of Thanks on behalf of the teachers and also appreciated the teaching community for its priceless contribution to the development of the society.

Cherishing the honour of being one of the leading institutions in the city, CV considers it an obligation to offer the student community enough exposure, experience and expertise via various platforms. Loftiest among all, the endeavours to attain this aspiration, is MAITHRI - one of the highly coveted cultural bonanzas in the city. Held on the 9th & 10th of September, the cultural carnival focused on arcade games which were prominent in former times. This bonanza encompassed events that embellished diversified domains like oratory, music, linguistics, culinary and performing arts. Over 80 schools with 3000+ students participated in this Festival of Friendship. The event was spectacular on both days with Mrs. Kushboo Sundar, Ms. Priya Raman, Mrs. Subhasree Thanikachalam and Ms. Ilavarasai presiding over the events on the first day. The second day gained momentum with the astonishing presence of famed actors like Mr. Sivakarthikeyan, Ms. Yashika Anand and Mr. Amitash.

October

“The greatness of a culture can be found in its festivals.”

It's that time of the year where all the houses are lit up in bright colours, creating patterns from an aerial view. The joy of Diwali fills up the air, extending its influence throughout the nation. After the two years of pandemic, this Diwali was celebrated in its most venerable form.

Reliving the essence of democracy was the aim of the 12th Annual Summit of Youth Parliament hosted by Chettinad Vidyashram. The hour-long event, which resumed its activities after a hiatus of 2 years, was a simulation of the Indian Parliament. Students of classes 8 and 9 participated in this annual event, stepping into the shoes of policy makers, undertaking their roles and responsibilities.



November

“The emphasis on holistic development will not only make learning more a joyful process, it will nurture innate talent and develop skills in youth- an invaluable asset for a developing nation”

Pragya- the Annual Psychology Fest was conducted on the 5th of November. The event was centred on invoking various talents amongst the students of the Psychology Department. The Chief Guest Dr. C. Anbudorai, a leading psychiatrist, presented a profound speech which inspired the crowd. Activities like face painting, quiz, short film, JAM, Block & Tackle and many more were conducted in this thought provoking event.

It is a matter of great pride and honour for the school when its students spread their wings and take flight into the infinite sky. In order to foster and strengthen the school - alumni bond and relive the fond memories that had been effectuated, Chettinad Vidyashram organised its 37th Alumni Meet on the 20th of November. A dance show, fashion show and an award ceremony were some of the major events . On that prime day, a Blood Donation Camp was organised by our school with an objective of inculcating a spirit of social responsibility amongst our students and paving way for a better cause.

CV hosted three of its most prestigious conferences, belonging to the Language Departments - Bards Beacon of the Department of English, Tamil Ilakkiya Mandram and Hindi Sahityik Sabha. There were many events conducted through the literary weeks which tested the efficiency of students in several domains like speaking, writing, recitation etc. These events drew hundreds of participants throughout the school ranging from grades 1-12. Winners were awarded a certificate and a book.

Swatantrata ka Amrit Mahotsav, witnessed tales of valour and gallantry being recited, as a tribute to the martyrdom of the Gallantry Award Winners.

December

The mood was sombre and tense as students across all grades took up their examinations. Students of classes X and XII, faced another series of Revision Examinations.

Mahakavi Bharathiyar Day was marked with tales of his prowess and poetic excellence resonating in the campus.

Count your age by friends, not years. Count your life by smiles, not tears!

A momentous occasion in any student’s life is the High School Farewell – as they stand at the threshold of their alma mater, ready to bid goodbye with a heavy heart, as they reminisce the memories crafted in the aisles of their school, as they revisit all the classes that had harboured them over the years and created a sense of belonging! The farewell for the 10th and 12th graders was convened on the 26th of December. It was a poignant yet impressive show that had been curated by the students of classes 9 and 11.

As the year draws to an end, we march on with renewed optimism, recharged hope and revived enthusiasm, ready to script another glorious year!

