

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

Esteemed Chief Guest of the day, Dr. Renu Raj, IAS, Honourable Chairman, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Kochi Kendra, CA Venugopal C Govind, Respected Director, Shri E Ramankutty, Dr. K Ajith Kumar, Director, NPOL, other dignitaries, parents, well-wishers, staff and students.

Namaste and a pleasant evening to all.

A dream becomes a goal when action is taken towards its achievement.

As we pause and turn back to take a look at the year gone by, I feel immensely delighted and privileged to have a handful of yet another bunch of beautiful memories and proud moments to present before this elite gathering in the form of annual report 2022. This report surely represents the reflection of the journey of Bhavan's Varuna Vidyalaya during the academic year 2022-23.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

This year too the excellent results of our students in academics took us to the zenith of glory. In the SSE 2022, 72 out of 80 students secured distinction and 6 secured A1 in all subjects. The school topper is Alphons Biju scoring 494 out of 500 with 98.8%. Six students in English, 4 in Artificial Intelligence, 3 each in Sanskrit and Mathematics, and 1 each in Science and Social Science secured centum.

In the SSCE 2022, 70 out of 83 students secured distinction and 10 secured A1 in all subjects. Gourinanda R emerged as the topper in Science stream with 490 out of 500 (98 %) and LakshmiG Menon topped with 480 out of 500 (96%) in Commerce stream. Five students in Chemistry and 1 student each in Mathematics and Business studies secured centum.

Shikshan Bharathi Comprehensive Evaluation was conducted in the month of September. The team was led by Ms. Girija T S, Education Officer.

The Investiture Ceremony 2022-23 was held in the month of June and the newly elected prefectorial board of the School Parliament took charge.

AWARDS AND COMMENDATIONS

An achievement is the product of all the hard work that you put in it.

In the CBSE Regional Science Exhibition held at Rajagiri Public School, our team comprising of Alphons Biju and Sravan Shankar qualified for the Nationals under the theme Eco-friendly material.

- Gayathri N Anoop secured second prize in All India level finals of Fevi Create Idea Labs Science Contest.
- Sravan Shankar bagged the First prize along with a cash prize of Rs 10,000/- in CA Balagopal Ramamohan Memorial Inter School Elocution Competition organised by Ernakulam Branch of SIRC of ICAI and ICAI Bhawan Diwan's Road, Ernakulam.
- In the All Kerala Don Bosco Inter School English Elocution competition Sravan Sanker and Tarun V won the first prize . Our school bagged the Championship Trophy.
- Shailesh P has been selected for Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana Philately Scholarship instituted by Department of Posts, India.
- Karthik Sunil has been shortlisted for the Prestigious INSPIRE AWARD by the Dept of Science and Technology.
- In the 24th All Kerala Bhavan's Cultural Fest, Saswatha I panicker secured the first prize in Malayalam and Hindi Extempore. Sravan Shankar secured the third position in English Extempore and Gautham Krishna P M secured third prize for Mridangam.
- Our students participated and won prizes in various events of Inter School competition like Pratheeksha 2022, Pradyukthi, Fresco, Magnum Opus 2K22, Alpha byte 3.0, Literary Fest Krithi 2022, QuizBuzz-India @ 75 , 25th International Book Festival,Vista 2022, UDAAN conducted by the ATL Community and Gita Chanting organised by our sister institutions and other prestigious schools in the state.
- In the District Shooting Championship 2022 Vaikhari Lakshmika won prizes in various categories in rifle shooting.
- In the Poster making competition organised by Kristu Jayanti College, Bangalore, Alphons Biju secured the first position and Midhun Raaj got the consolation prize.

- Krishna Binoy received the Second prize in the Photography Competition organised by Kerala Police Commissionerate.
- In Samskruthamrutam, a competition organised by Vidyodaya School Thevakkal, Meenakshi Anoop and Karthik P Nair bagged prizes in Abhinaya Chathuri and Vartha samaya.
- In the All Kerala Painting Competition organised by YMCA and Balarama, Akshara P P and Adwik D Nair secured prizes.

EVENTS AND INITIATIVES OF VARUNA

- To honour and appreciate the achievements of the students in SSE and SSCE 2022, Merit Day, 'Prathibhotsavam' was organised. Shri Priyesh Gopalakrishnan, Director of Projects, Cognizant Technology Solutions was the Chief Guest for the day.
- School organised Insignia MUN 2k22. It is a matter of immense pride to mention that the entire programme was efficiently shouldered by the students of Std XI. The Chief guest of the day was Shri P Vijayan IPS, Inspector General of Police.
- On Kerala Piravi, "Vande Matharam" a play by Apple Cart Theatre Group was showcased for the students of Std VI to XII.
- As part of the Awakening Citizen Programme, annual inspection was held in the school.
- A three-day book fair by United Book was held at different venues in the school.
- A three day Health check up was organized for students of STD I to XII.
- The preliminary round of Aryabhatta Ganit Challenge 2022 organised by CBSE was held in our school for the students of STD VIII-X.
- 108 students from Std IV to X participated in the exam organized by Kerala Bhasha Institute and ... students from Std III- X participated in the exam conducted by Hindi Prachar Sabha.
- Various olympiads in GK, English, Science, Mathematics, Computer Science, Social Science and commerce were conducted by The Science Olympiad Foundation. Bhavan's Scholarship Examination for STD III to XII was also conducted in the school. Our students also participated in Sugama Hindi and Vijnana Kairali Examinations.
- To spread awareness on the spread of Dengue Fever, an oath issued by Public Health Care Centre, Thrikkakara was administered to the students in the assembly.

- As an initiative to revitalise the depleted natural resources, Bhavan's Varuna Vidyalaya in collaboration with NPOL launched the seed club project 'URVARA' at Sagar Quarters Karimakad, Thrikkakara. The project was inaugurated by Sri. E Ramankutty, Director BVB Kochi Kendra and Dr. K Ajith Kumar, Director NPOL. Dignitaries from NPOL and Mathrubhoomi also attended the programme. Seed club Coordinators, Smt Mayadevi S and Smt. Sindhu K B briefed on the project. Saplings were planted by dignitaries from NPOL, Principal, Vice Principal, Shri. Manoj Edavanakkad and the seed club members.
- Principal and Vice Principal along with a group of students and teachers visited INS Sagardhwani onboard. Dr K Ajith Kumar, Director NPOL, addressed the students highlighting the role of NPOL and the Indian Navy in building a strong and technologically advanced maritime force.

Students of std XI were taken to the Department of Photonics, CUSAT for the lab visits.

- The 29th Annual Sports Meet was celebrated amidst great mirth and verve. Shri Saji Joy, Former Santhosh Trophy player was the Chief Guest. Students of Sd I & II danced to rhythmic beats. An aerobics display, Karate performance and a yoga Display by students enthralled the audience.
- In connection with National Mathematics Day, an Inter School Mathematics Exhibition- SINE OF THE TIMES 2K22 was organised. Smt Usha K, Education Officer, Shikshan Bharathi South Zone was the Chief Guest.
- Children's Book Fest 2022-'23 was organised. Renowned Writer Smt Hema T Thrikkakara, Dr V Nithyananth Bhat, and Shri Anantha Babu, spoke on the occasion.
- Children's day, was celebrated in the school. A fancy Dress competition was held for students of classes I to V. Kanak Gupta, dressed as Chachaji delivered the Children's day message.

Smt. Sandhya T P, Teacher, Dept of Malayalam, recited kuttykavithakal by Kunjunni mashu.

A session by Shri Bharath Chandran, AMVI, addressed the parents and the school van drivers on Traffic Rules and Safety.

- As part of Deworming programme initiated by the Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Kerala, deworming tablets were administered to students from classes I- XII.

CULTURAL OUTREACH PROGRAMME

- As part of the Cultural Outreach Programme organised by Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Principal and Vice Principal along with the teachers attended programmes depicting various art forms like Thullal Thrayam, Koodiyattam, Krishnanattam and a musical concert, Tyagaraja Aradhana led by our music teacher Shi Manu Narayanan.

GLORIOUS MOMENTS

Bhavan's Varuna Vidyalaya secured Silver Medal for the Green Climate Programme under The Climate Reality Project. Principal and teacher representative, Smt. Mayadevi S received the award at a function held at IITM Research Park, Chennai.

Our school also bagged the prestigious Haritha Jyoti Award 2021-22 from Mathrubhumi SEED.

Shri Sreejith C K, teacher, Dept. of Physics received the Olympiad Best Overall District Coordinator Award.

Smt Bismi S Nair, teacher ,Dept. of Chemistry, received the Teacher's Award at the P T Thomas Educational Excellence Award Ceremony 2022. Top scorers of SSE and SSCE of our school were also honoured on this occasion.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN QUIZ

- Master Vaishnav M and Sneha Biju secured fifth position in the News Quiz 2022 organised by Malayala Manorama and Zephyr Future Academy
- In the Inter School competition held at Bhavan's Vidya Mandir Elamakkara, Ishani B K and Nivedya M won the second prize and Giridar Girish and Yadhu Kiran B won the first prize in various quiz events.
- Aditya Ajay and Parvathy secured third Prize in the Ramayana Quiz organised by Amrutha Vidyalaya.
- 12 students qualified for the final round of the Mind Wars Quiz conducted by Zee5.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

- Dharmik Sreekumar secured first prize in Under 15 Boys Singles category and third position in under 17 Singles category in the 49th Ernakulam District Badminton Championship- 2022.

- Hitha Maria Jose won the third position in Under 13 Doubles in All India Ranking Tournament held at Mohali, Punjab. She has also secured the First position in the under 13 Singles, under 15 singles and in the under 13 doubles State Badminton Championship held at Thrissur. She has also been selected to represent the Kerala State team.
- Aarushi S Nair of Std IV has won the Gold Medal in the 37th National Taekwondo-Do Championship held at Thyagraj Indoor Stadium, New Delhi.
- In the 17th Archbishop Joseph Attipetty Badminton Tournament, Alok Jith K and Dharmik Sreekumar secured the First and Second positions respectively. In the U-19 boys and U-14 girls' category, our team won the championship and emerged as the overall runner-up.
- Gouri Krishna L of Std X secured first prize in the Ernakulam District Athletic Championship and third position in Shot Put (U16 Girls Category) in the State Inter Club Athletic Meet.
- Neeraja of std XI was awarded the Child Agriculturalist Award by the Kalamassery Municipality.
- Varun Shauri of std X received the First Prize in the 41st Ernakulam District Yogasana Championship and in Yoga Utsav 2022.
- In the Chess Tournament organised by Bhavan's Vidya Mandir Eroor, Bhavan's Varuna Vidyalaya was crowned the Overall champion.
- In the XVII Varuna Cup Volleyball Tournament, our emerged as the champions in the Under 15 Girls Category. Kanak Gupta, Niveditha U and Megha P Warriar received the awards for the best attacker, the best player, and the most promising player, respectively.
- In the 17th Kerala State ITF Taekwondo-Do Championship 2022, Tejaswini, Rithu R, Prayan R and Aarushi S Nair received medals and prizes in various events.
- In the Sahodaya Athletic Meet, the prize winners in various events are:
Neha Nissand, Kanak Gupta, Anjali P Joshi, Mahadev Priyesh, Hrithika B and Naba Naishab
- In the South Zone Badminton Tournament held at Toss Academy, Trivandrum, our girls team won the team championship in under 17 category and our boys team secured the third position in team championship in under 19 category.

- In the 38th K M Munshi Memorial Inter-School Athletic meet 2022 the prize winners of various events are: Kanak Gupta , Gauri Krishna L and Anjaly P Joshi. Our team won the third prize in 400 m relay in U-17 girls category.
- In the CBSE Cluster XI Volleyball Tournament held at Bhavan's Newsprint Vidyalaya, Velloor, our U-19 girls team won the Championship Trophy. The team qualified for the Nationals.
- In the CBSE Cluster XI Kho Kho tournament held at Bhavan's Adarsha Vidyalaya, our girls' team won the second runner up trophy.
- In the CBSE Cluster XI South Zone Boxing Tournament, Angel Suhas of Std X and Aswin of Std XII secured the silver medal.
- In the CBSE Cluster XI Athletic Meet, following are the prize winners in various events: Anjaly p Joshy , Aryakrishna , Devaraja S ,Gauri Krishna L , Hrithika B , Aparna Pillai , Anjaly P Joshy and R S Vighnesh
- In the SBOA Chess Tournament, our school secured runner up position Azhar Ali and Kum Keerthana Sajith received individual trophies.

EDUCATIONAL TRIPS

Educational trips help children to learn and explore the world outside. It is an apt opportunity to socialize and get to know each other better outside the classroom.

Students from various classes were taken for educational trips.Tour programme for other classes are also planned in the upcoming days.

FACULTY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

- Professional development transforms teachers into better and more apt educators . Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan has always provided great opportunities for its teacher to prosper professionally.
- Principal Smt Remadevi K P attended a four days All India Conference for Principals of Bhavan's Secondary and Senior Secondary Schools held at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan Vidyashram, K M Munshi Marg, Jaipur.
- Principal along with the science teachers attended the All India Conference for Science Teachers - "Disha", organised by Bhavan's Research and Development Centre in association with Azim Premji University, Bangalore at Bhavan's Vidya Mandir, Elamakkara .

- Vice Principal Smt Sreedevi A was the resource person for Capacity Building Programme conducted by CBSE for Std X Mathematics.
- Some of the workshops attended by our teachers include NEP 2020, Innovative Pedagogy and Digital Lesson plans, workshop on STEM, Dr. K M Munshi Memorial Oration by Dr. V P Gangadharan on the topic 'Cancer-Myth and Facts', Subject Specific Trainings organised by Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Kochi Kendra, Vidyajwala- Teachers Conclave and Assessment and Evaluation practices.
- A training session on Financial literacy was organized as part of CBSE Hub activity. Sri. Sudevan, Consultant, L&T financial Limited was the resource person. Nearly 100 teachers from various hub schools participated.

EMPOWERING THE YOUNG MINDS

Learning beyond classroom enhances students' skills and knowledge.

- Our students attended various sessions like : talk on GST ,session on Cyber security by CYBERDOME, career guidance by the faculties of Bhavan's College of Arts and Commerce, SALT Programme organised by Rajagiri College of Engineering and Technology, a memorial lecture on Rameswaram to Rashtrapati Bhavan- A Tribute to Dr. Abdul Kalam , a talk on 'Ideal Youth as per the Vision of Swami Vivekananda', awareness talk on Drug abuse and Illicit Trafficking a webinar on 'Internet and Mobile Technology', an interactive session by the Asian School of Architecture and Design Innovation, a programme on 'Protecting Children in Cyberspace', three-day Inter-School camp organized by Vidyodaya School Thevakkal, a session on 'Energy Conservation', and two day Drama workshop-Arangu at Bhavan's Vidya Mandir, Elamakkara.
- As a part of Swachhta Pakhwada Initiative by NPOL, an awareness talk on cleanliness was held by Shri R P Raju, Scientist E, NPOL and Smt. Riya Joseph, Scientist D, NPOL.

In painting competition held in connection with the same, Hidayat Shahjahan, Aditi P P and Aradhya R Venu secured prizes and in the model making competition, Mahadev, Gautham N Varma and Nousheen are the winners. Dr. K Ajith Kumar, Director NPOL distributed the prizes.

CELEBRATIONS

Celebrating events and festivals in school has become an integral part of growing, learning new activities, and building a strong cultural belief.

Environment Day , Ramayana Week, Guru Purnuma ,Gandhi Jayanthi, Sanskrit Day, Independence Day, Janmashtami ,Onam , Teachers' Day, Founders Day,Hindi Divas, , Yoga Day, Kerala Pravi, Navrathri , Christmas etc.. were celebrated with all its pomp and gaiety at Varuna. Several competitions and house and club activities were also held in connection with them. Students received golden opportunities to listen to eminent speakers.

HOUSE AND CLUB ACTIVITIES

House and club activities of school have been inculcating a spirit of teamwork and unity among the students along with providing them a platform to showcase their talent in different fields. Various competitions and activities like chart making, essay writing, debate, elocution, bhajan, role play etc.. in connection with special days were conducted to inculcate healthy competitive spirit among the students.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMME

Community Outreach Programme sensitise students to evolve into socially responsible citizens who can think beyond academic pursuits.

- The social service club of Bhavan's Varuna Vidyalaya launched 'Naam Onnu-we are one' a service project to help the destitute. As part of the programme, groceries and household items were distributed to more than 80 families during Onam and Christmas Season. Moreover as a part of Edumission Varuna, study materials were distributed to 25 needy students of SDPY Boys High School, Palluruthy and Govt. Sanskrit High School Thripunithura.

NATIONAL CADET CORPS

- With a distinct emphasis on Social Services, Discipline and Adventure Training, 21 Kerala Battalion of the NCC continues to function in the school effectively. Cadets attend regular classes and parades after school. This year 12 NCC Cadets attended a seven-day camp at K M M College of Arts and Science, Thrikkakara. NCC Cadets Anjaly P Joshi and Nandan J were awarded the Best Cadets.
- 4 NCC Cadets attended an 8-day camp at Bhavan's Newsprint Vidyalaya Velloor. Cadet Janvi Ajay was appreciated by the commanding officer for her exemplary performance in firing.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Varuna has a wonderful PTA that actively works with a mission to make the school a better place for children to learn. Parents and teachers work together in school

activities. This year our PTA has sponsored trophies and certificates for the Merit Day organised to felicitate the achievers of SSE & SSCE 2022. PTA is also sponsoring the awards for the Annual Day and has also taken up a project to provide face lift to the School auditorium by installing a new sound mixer and repairing the existing speakers. It has also been decided to organize the PTA day on February 12th.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

A School library is a storehouse of knowledge. We have a well stocked library with over 11, 250 books to cater to the needs of our students and staff. Every year books worth of Rs.20, 000 are added to the stock. It is enriched with all the latest publications in Arts, Science, Literature, fiction and non-fiction titles. Our Virtual library and membership of National Digital Library of India are very helpful to our staff and students.

RESOURCE ROOM AND COUNSELLING

The Resource room continues its service by rendering help to the students with Specific Learning Disabilities, ADD and ADHD. Well trained Special Educators in collaboration with the Regular teachers and parents of the students, work to support the students in their classroom curriculum to get the most out of their education.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I would like to extend our deep sense of gratitude to all our near and dear ones who have stood by us in taking Bhavan's Varuna Vidyalaya through the path of progress and prosperity.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to our Chairman CA Venugopal C Govind, Director Shri E Ramankutty, Kendra committee members of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan and members of Research and Education wing for their constant support rendered for the successful completion of this academic year.

My profuse thanks to Dr. K Ajith Kumar, Director NPOL, Shri. Biju Gopal, Chairman, SMC, NPOL, Members of the School Managing Committee and PTA Executive committee, parents, teaching and non-teaching staff and well-wishers for rendering their relentless and unflinching support and guidance in all our endeavours.

I am overwhelmed with immense gratitude and take it as my privilege to thank my colleagues for their active involvement and passionate dedication in the upliftment of the school in all the spheres.

To cap it all, I thank the God Almighty for his plentiful blessings, and I am sure we will be able to take this institution to the heights of glory.

Thank you.
