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As we bring this academic year to close, we reflect with pride and gratitude on the journey we've taken together at Sri Prakash Vidyaniketan. This year, we stayed committed to our vision of nurturing joyful learning for holistic growth, a goal that resonated through every classroom, corridor, and event we held. It was a year of vibrant learnEDITORIAL

and hearts. A key highlight of this session was the Dean-Strategy international collaboration in STEM education, where we had the privilege of hosting a passionate and innovative team from the International Council of Associations for Science Education (ICASE) - Dr. Janchai Yingprayon , Director of STEM Education Center,Prince of Songkhla University, Suratthani,Thailand . Dr. Chien-heng Chou, Assistant Professor, Dept of Electro-Optical Engineering. Van Nung University, Taiwan, Dr.Ong Eng Tek, Malaysia; Asst.Prof. Dr. Nathaphon Boonnam, PSU.Wittayanusorn Surat Thani, Thailand; Dr. Tiraka Nualijan, A Chuan International School, Krabi, Mr. Suphareak Khamhaeng, Director, Thailand: Anubarn Kamhang School, Thai Dr.Sudhakar C Agarkar, Retd. Homi Bhabha Thailand centre for Science Education(TIFR),

Mumbai and Dr. Lakshman Joseph Nonis, an esteemed educationist from Sri Lanka. Their sessions not only sparked curiosity but also expanded the horizons of our children's thinking. extend our heartfelt thanks to all our distinguished Major General guests. Venkata Bollina Dr.Kalasapudi Srinivasa Rao, Sri U.Sridhar,

Principal Scientist Visakhpatnam Research Centre, ICAR for the for their invaluable time, insights, and

contributions, which greatly enhanced our learners' journey. My Special thanks to Dr. C.V Narasimham and Smt. K. Sarada, Special Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Vizag. Prof.Y.Satyanarayana, Retd. Vice Chancellor, AP University sion: to make learning a joyful, meaningful, and lifelong of Law Prof. V.Ramesh, Fine arts Prof. Raja Phani Pappu, journey.

Entrepreneurship. Gitam, Dr.V.Chandrasekharam, Former ADME Superintendent Principal, Rangaraya Medical College and GGH, Kakinada for graciously sharing their wisdom and experiences with our students. From arts and sciences to values and communication, we've witnessed our students blossom into confident, capable, and compassionate individuals.Our stu-



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dents rose to every challenge with dedication and spirit. We are thrilled to share that our Grade 10 and 12 students achieved outstanding results in the board examinations. Beyond academics, our children brought laurels in various interschool and external competitions, showcasing talent, teamwork, and tenacity.

> feel a deep sense of accomplishment and gratitude - to our stu-dents for their enthusiasm, to our teachers for their unwavering commit-

As this academic

year concludes, we

CONGRATULATIONS ON CREATING SUCH Agresome VISIONS ment, and to our parents for their continued support and trust. As we look ahead, we remain committed to our mis-







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Led by Renowned Educator Dr. Lakshman Nonis from Sri Lanka



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Master Minds



STEAM Programme - Dr. Lakshman Nonis





We successfully conducted a 5-day STEAM Programme from April 1st to 5th, led by renowned educator Dr. Lakshman Nonis from Sri Lanka. The programme aimed to foster creativity, innovation and teamwork through hands-on activities and guided mentorship. Students were grouped based on their class levels and interests and engaged in interdisciplinary projects that integrated science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics. With support from teachers, they designed models, prepared presentations, and enthusiastically showcased their work at a vibrant exhibition inaugu-

rated by Dr. Nonis, attended by parents and guests. The event highlighted the power of integrated learning, as students confidently explained their projects and the concepts behind them. In addition to working with students, Dr. Nonis also led an inspiring session for teachers, emphasizing the importance of positive thinking, peaceful classroom interactions, and nurturing innovation in everyday teaching. The programme was a memorable and enriching experience for all, and the school extends heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Nonis for his valuable guidance and inspiring presence.











Major General Bollina Venkata Rao (PVSM, VSM)



Finding Balance on Screen Usage - Sister Madhuri



The session by Sister Madhuri was an inspiring and enlightening experience. She emphasized the importance of staying away from excessive screen usage, highlighting how it impacts our mental and physical well-being. Her soothing voice and motivation-

al words instilled a sense of optimism and confidence among the students, encouraging them to embrace a more balanced lifestyle. We are sincerely grateful to her for sharing such practical and impactful advice, which the students are whole heartedly committed to putting into practice.

Prof Ramesh, a renowned artist emphasized the importance of preserving Indian culture and heritage for future generations, highlighting how traditions strengthen national identity









ViMUN 2024 kicked off with enthusiasm, featuring a welcome song and a creative presentation celebrating leadership through poetry. The inauguration included the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by Director Sir and

esteemed guests Dr. C.V. Narasimham and Smt. Dr. K. Sarada, Prof. Y.Satyanarayana, who highlighted the importance of responsible leadership and ethical education. The event was formally opened with the introduction of the committees and the symbolic strike of the gavel. The conference saw intense debates across committees like SOCHUM, UNHRC and the Security Council, where students tackled issues ranging from Russia's actions in Ukraine to systemic racism and global security. ViMUN 2024 pro-

vided students with a platform to sharpen their leadership, negotiation and analytical skills, preparing them to become responsible global citizens.











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STEM Workshop

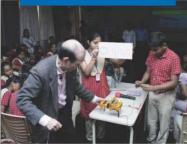


Igniting Young Minds: A Thrilling Dive into STEM with ICASE Experts

in a series of exciting STEM sessions led by and 3D visualizations, helped students explore Chien-Heng Chou conducted dynamic experiser from the International Council of aerodynamics and spatial reasoning. Prof. ments on thermodynamics, electromagnetism, thinking, and highlighted the power of experiental transcription of the relocation of the relocatio

Prakashites had the unique opportunity to engage such as Boomerang, Air Pressure Rocket Launch, provoking discussion on quantum mechanics. Dr. ing world of the Möbius strip. These sessions

Dr. Chien Heng Chou's Science Spectacular: Hands-on Experiments for Prakashites

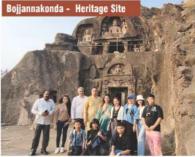










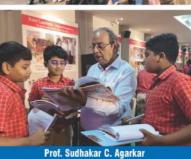


















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Curricular Activities







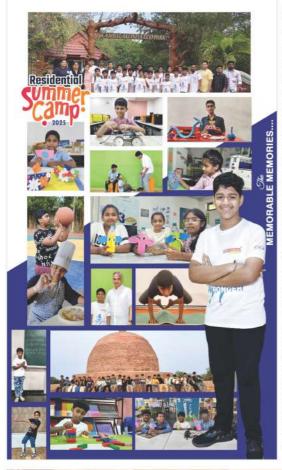


Celebrating India's Living Heritage

Srujana - The Heritage Club strengthen national identiof Sri Prakash Vidyaniketan ty. He encouraged students organized a heritage exhito stay curious, ask quesbition on the Occasion of World Heritage Day show-casing over 300 items including vintage gadgets, coins, newspapers, and traditional artifacts. Prof. V. Ramesh a renowned artist. along with our Director Sri Ch.Vasu Prakash inaugurated the exhibition. Speaking on the occasion Prof. Ramesh emphasized the importance of preserving Indian culture and heritage for future generations, highlighting how traditions

tions, and engage in continuous exploration. Prof. Ramesh praised Sri Prakash for promoting cultural awareness and providing platforms that reflect India's richness over the past century. He also stressed the value of khadi and Indian goods, underscoring cultural sustainability. The exhibition successfully inspired students to uphold India's legacy.

Residential Summer Camp



The residential summer camp offered a vibrant and enriching experience, designed to help children explore, learn and grow in a joyful environment away from home, Over several days 26 campers lived together in a nurturing setting, engaging in a wide range of activities that promoted independence. creativity and teamwork, From yoga, sloka chanting, and trekking to robotics, movie making and heritage walks, students embraced new challenges, built friendships and discovered new interests. The camp fostered life skills beyond the classroom through fun-filled sessions like Mathematics Mania, Science Spectacular, arts and crafts, sports and the English Enrichment Programme. With a strong focus on inclusivity and support, the camp ensured every child felt valued, respected and

actively involved,

making it a truly memorable and transformative

experience.



Prof. Raja Phani Pappu, Dean-Strategy & Entrepreneurship, Gitam



Igniting Young Minds: A Creative and Energetic Summer Camp



and GGH, Kakinada



to April 19, was a vibrant and enriching experience for students. offering three exciting tracks: Robotics, Art, and Zumba DIY crafts, mehendi designs. In Robotics, students explored mechanical design and coding while building solar-powered models like cars and

windmills, promoting innovation and sustainability. The Art workshop encouraged creativity and calmness as children crafted colorful sand art on wooden bases. Zumba

The Summer Camp, held from March 24 brought energy and joy, with students learning dance styles like Bollywood and hip-hop, boosting their fitness and confidence. The camp fostered new friendships, skills, and teamwork. It culminated in a joyful final-day performance h a impressed and delighted parents. The camp beautifully com-bined STEM, creativity,

and physical activity, leaving children with cherished memories, a love for learning, and a sense of achievement.



se of School New Letter - Young Smiles



"When rhythm meets passion, magic happens! Our school band lit up the stage with harmony, heart, and pure talent!



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On April 12th 2025. School hosted an open draw ing competition for primary students from various schools, aiming to foster creativity and artistic expression. The competition provided a platform for students to showcase their artistic tal-ents and imagination. Young participants enthusiastically showcased their imagination through diverse and vibrant artworks. The event promot-ed healthy competition and highlighted the school's dedication to nurturing young talent. Winners in both sub-junior and junior categories received cash prizes for their outstanding work.

while all participants were awarded certificates in recognition of their creativity and enthusiasm. The event inspired students to continue exploring their artistic abilities.



Phonics day celebration

On February 18, 2025, Sri Prakash Play School hosted a vibrant Phonics Day celebration for kindergarten students, aiming to foster a love for phonics and strengthen language skills in young learners. The children enthusiastically participated in a variety of engaging activities, including an alphabet walk, word blending exercises, dances to letter sounds, sight word presentations, and storytelling sessions focused on different letter sounds. Young learners confidently showcased their phonics skills,

demonstrating an impressive understanding of sounds and word formation. The event con-cluded with a fun-filled, phonics-themed dance, leaving the children excited and motivated to continue exploring the world of phonics. The celebration not only made phonics learning enjoyable but also helped build confidence in the young learners. Sri Prakash Play School's innovative approach continues to inspire and nurture young minds, laying a strong foundation for their future academic success



'Less Sugar, Less Oil - More Health, More Life! Inspired by PM Modi's vision for a healthier India









On February 17, 2025, primary students from Grades I to V hosted an Open House event, where they showcased their understanding of highlighting their ability to apply theoretical various concepts learned knowledge to real-

throughout the academic year. The event provided a platform for students to reflect on their learning and demonstrate their skills and knowledge to parents and peers. It fea-tured a student-led exhibition where children presented their projects and work samples across sub-

jects like English, Mathematics, Science, and inspired students to continue exploring and Social Studies, Students demonstrated creatividiscovering new ideas.

ty, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills through interactive displays and presentations,

> world scenarios. The exhibition reflected the school's commitment to holistic education, emphasizing not only academics but also social and emotional development. The Open House reinforced the value of learning and









Sri Prakash Play School conducted a comprehensive School Readiness Readiness Program for its new students, designed to ease their transition into formal education. Running from February 24 to March 23. 2025, the program aimed to prepare young learners for a successful academic journey. The program featured interactive sessions, engaging activities, and games that helped children develop essential skills such as socialization, emotional intelligence, and cognitive

abilities. Experienced educators provided personalized attention to address each child's unique needs. Practical learning methods, including hands-on experiences and play

based activities, made the program both enjoyable and effec-READINESS PROGRAM tive. To support a smooth transition each participant received a handy kit containing all neces-sary materials. The sary materials. School Readiness Program at Sri Prakash Play School proved to be a valuable experience for new students. By the end, children had gained confidence, independence, and a positive attitude

toward learning-laying a strong foundation for future academic success and a lifelong love of learning.

Kindergarten summer camp from April 24th to May 16th, 2025



Sri Prakash Play School successfully hosted a fun and educational summer camp from April 24th to May 16th, offering a perfect blend of creativity and learning for children aged 2.5 to 6 years. Designed to support both physical and intellectual development, the camp ensured a stress-free and screen-free environmentaddressing parents' concerns about excessive screen time. Each day was filled with engaging activities like art and craft, music and dance,

storytelling, spoken English, and games. A spe cial Mother's Day celebration added joy and strengthened parent-child bonding. The dedicated teachers at Sri Prakash Play School created a nurturing atmosphere that encouraged social interaction, creativity, and essential early childhood skills. Parents appreciated the well-organized program and the positive impact it had on their children.





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Curricular Activities

Honoring Netaji's Legacy Through Action: Beach Cleaning Drive



On January 23, 2025, Prakashites celebrated Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose's birth anniversary with a beach cleaning drive, reflecting their commitment to environmental responsibility. Students actively participated in clearing litter and plastic waste, raising awareness about marine pollution and the importance of coastal conservation. This initiative paid tribute to Netaji's ideals of service and discipline, promoting civic duty and environmental stewardship.

Hands-On Science: Prakashites Lead ATL Community Activity

As part of National Science Day celebrations, Class IX students collaborated with MPUP School, Kapuluppada, on February 24, 2025, for an ATL (Atal Tinkering Lab) community activity promoting creativity and scientific thinking. Using simple materials like balloons and straws, students built two models-Balloon Louder and Straw Air Spinner-to explore air pressure, vibration, and airflow dynamics. The hands-on session fostered teamwork, innovation, and real-world application of science







$76^{\hbox{th}} \ \hbox{Republic Day Celebrations} \ \hbox{embodied Patriotism at Sri Prakash Vidyaniketan}$

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated with pride and grandeur, fostering a deep sense of patriotism and unity. The event was graced by Major The 76th Republic Day was cerebrated with pride and grandeur, rosering a deep sense of parnotism and unity. The event was graced by risjoir General Bollina Venkata Rao (PVSM, VSM) as Chief Guest and Dr. U. Sreedhar, Principal Scientist at ICAR-CIFT, whose presence added significance to the occasion. Highlights included the National Flag hoisting, school bands beating retreat, pyramid formation, taekwondo, cultural performances, fancy dress show of Indian Leaders and a yoga display. A special philately exhibition featuring Mahatma Gandhi stamps by Sri G.K.Subrahmanyam enriched the event. Addressing the gathering, Major General Rao applauded the students' discipline and spirit. The celebrations beautifully reflected the values of democracy, heritage, and unity in diversity.



Major Bollina Venkata Rao (PVSM, VSM)











NCC Cadets Train for Excellence





NCC cadets participated in a 10-day training camp at Prashanthi College, Achyutapuram, from January 4 to 13, 2025. The camp focused on discipline, leadership, and national service through activities like drill sessions, national service through activities like drill sessions, weapon training, map reading and endurance exercises. Cadets also attended sessions on first aid, disaster management and personality development, fostering resilience, teamwork and patriotism. This enriching experience strengthened their skills and values, reflecting the school's commitment to holistic growth.



Vasanth Panchami

On the occasion of Vasanth Panchami, students came dressed in vibrant yellow, symbolizing prosperity and wisdom. A traditional Saraswathi Puja was performed with devotion, honoring the goddess of knowledge. Hymns were sung in reverence, and prasadam was distributed to all, creating a spiritual and joyful atmosphere.





Holi A Splash of loy - Boarders Celebrate with Colours and Festive Cheer



On 14th March, Pi Day was celebrated with enthusiasm as students participated in engaging learning activities centered around the value of pi (?) and its significance in mathematics. Through interactive sessions, they explored the concept of pi and its applications in real life. The activities sparked curiosity and deepened their understanding of this important mathematical constant.





Inspiration



Great men were children one day Children can be great men some day

A life dedicated to the COSMOS - JAYANT NARLIKAR

Jayant Vishnu Narlikar, a brilliant astrophysicist and science communicator, stands as a beacon of scientific inquiry and rational thinking in India. His journey from a curious child in colonial India to a global figure in cosmology is nothing less than an inspiration. Known for challenging mainstream cosmological theories and promoting science among the masses, Narlikar's life is a testament to perseverance, intellectual courage and public

Early Life and Education: Jayant Narlikar was born on July 19, 1938, in Kolhapur, Maharashtra, into a highly intellectual family. His father, Vishnu Vasudev Narlikar, was a renowned mathematician and a professor at Banaras Hindu University. His mother, Sumati Narlikar, was also an educated woman in a time when it was rare, instilling in him the values of knowledge and inquiry.

Remembering

DOYEN OF INDIAN ASTROPHYSICS PADMA VIBHUSHAN LATE Dr. PROFESSOR

JAYANT NARLIKAR

(19 JULY 1938 - 20 MAY 2025)

that challenging the mainstream is essential for progress.

Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA) : In 1988, Narlikar founded the IUCAA in Pune and served as its first director. His vision was to create a world-class research facility for astrophysics in India.

Awards and Recognition: Jayant Narlikar received numerous accolades throughout his career, including:

- Padma Bhushan (1965)
- Padma Vibhushan (2004)
- Kalinga Prize (1996) by UNESCO for Popularization of Science
- Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award
- Fellow of Indian National Science Academy, Royal Astronomical Society



Jayant showed an early interest in science and mathematics. After completing his schooling, he studied at Banaras Hindu University, where he earned his B.Sc. in Physics. He later went to University of Cambridge, where he completed his M.A. and Ph.D. under the mentorship of the legendary astrophysicist Fred Hoyle

Scientific Career and Contributions - Collaboration with Fred Hoyle: Jayant Narlikar's work with Fred Hoyle led to the development of the Hoyle-Narlikar Theory of Gravitation in the 1960s. This theory was a bold alternative to Einstein's General Relativity and was part of their support for the steady-state theory of the universe, which opposed the Big Bang model. While the steady-state theory eventually fell out of favour, the Hoyle-Narlikar theory remains an important contribution to alternative cosmological models.

Alternative Cosmologies: Narlikar was never afraid to challenge scientific consensus. He promoted models of the universe that questioned the Big Bang theory and was particularly interested in the idea that the universe has no beginning or end. His work encouraged a more open scientific discourse, proving

Under his leadership, IUCAA became a hub for high-quality research and academic training in astronomy and astrophysics, inspiring generations of Indian scientists.

Science Communication: Jayant Narlikar believed that science should be accessible to all. He authored numerous books, essays and science fiction stories in English and Marathi to make complex scientific ideas understandable and enjoyable for the common man. His writing style was clear, engaging and educational, promoting scientific literacy across India.

Legacy and Passing: Jayant Narlikar passed away on 20th May 2025, leaving behind a profound legacy that continues to shape the scientific and educational landscape of India. His contributions to cosmology, science communication, and institution-building are monumental. A life long advocate of rational thinking and scientific temper, he inspired countless individuals to question, explore, and learn. His legacy will remain indelible—a torchbearer of critical thinking, fearless inquiry, and a deep love for knowledge. Jayant Narlikar was not only a scientist of international repute but also a beloved mentor, writer, and visionary whose impact transcends generations.

"Dr. NARLIKAR'S LEGACY IS WRITTEN ACROSS THE STARS BOTH AS A SCIENTIST AND AS A STORYTELLER WHO MADE THE COSMOS MORE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL."

Indian Astrophysicist



The Vice-Chancellor of Benaras Hindu University, Prof. Hari Gautam (left) presenting an hononory degree of Doctor of sciences to Prof. Jayant Vishnu Narlikar, at the seventh convention of the BHU science faculty in Varanasi.

From Cosmos to Common people, his reach encompassed all... With science in his soul and simplicity in speech, he made the universe a lesson anyone could reach.







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