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Heartfelt Pranams at the lotus feet of Pujya Gurudev Swami Chinmyananda, Guruji Swami Tejomayananda and Swami Swaroopananda.

Namaskar to the Most Respected Chief Guest, Dr. R. Shanthi, Director, Academic Development, Anna Adarsh College for Women, Honourable Members of the School Managing Committee, Revered Correspondent Sri. N Nagarajan, Dear Parents, Esteemed Teachers, Our Bright and Promising Students and All Our Cherished Invitees. With deep honour and gratitude, I warmly welcome each of you to this special occasion. We are truly humbled to have such a distinguished assembly whose contributions make this event truly exceptional.

“Quality is never an accident; it is the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction and skillful execution.” These words perfectly encapsulate the spirit of Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Virugambakkam. From its humble start in 1970 at Chinmaya Nagar, the school has grown into a beacon of knowledge, shaping generations of bright minds.

Our school’s success reflects the lasting impact of our past principals and correspondents - where their values met vision, generations continue to rise. As Peter Drucker wisely said, **“The best way to predict the future is to create it.”** Heartfelt gratitude to the visionaries who shaped Chinmaya Vidyalaya’s legacy - their spirit fuels every stride we take.

A Legacy of Excellence

At Chinmaya Vidyalaya, education goes beyond bricks and mortar - it's a dynamic space where young minds are inspired to grow. For over five decades, we've upheld a legacy of excellence, blending academic brilliance with strong character. Guided by Pujya Gurudev’s words, **“One single ideal can transform a listless soul into a towering leader of men,”** our dedicated faculty lead by example, instilling knowledge, integrity and a lifelong love for learning.

Learning is not the filling of a pail but the lighting of a lamp.

Why settle for ordinary when you can ignite brilliance? We create launchpads for curiosity, innovation and growth. Smart classrooms ignite exploration, while our library opens doors to worlds of wonder. In state-of-the-art science and computer labs, concepts come alive through hands-on learning. Vibrant fields and creative spaces for art and music help students thrive through play, imagination and expression.

The live streaming of the assembly is a novel initiative that showcases how technology can be used meaningfully and positively.

These are more than just facilities; they are the soul of a school where every corner is designed to inspire, empower and uplift. Here, learning doesn't just happen-it takes flight.

A Personal Milestone - the Role of Principal

My vision as **Principal of Chinmaya Vidyalaya** is to champion **innovative teaching, a future-ready curriculum and enriching extracurriculars** within an inclusive, nurturing environment where every child is empowered to thrive and achieve their full potential. The 2024-25 academic year was exceptionally rewarding, marked by **unprecedented academic excellence, holistic growth and vital community partnerships**. With **dedicated faculty and unwavering parental trust**, we stand tall as a **beacon of excellence**, shaping tomorrow's leaders and honoring our powerful legacy.

A heartfelt salute to each of you whose boundless seva bhava and unwavering support have fueled every moment at our school. Special thanks to those who stood by us during the Gita Chanting, to the dedicated gentlemen managing traffic, especially Mr. Shiva, our brilliant alumnus, who designed the traffic planner that truly changed the game. Every one of you makes a meaningful difference to our success. From all of us, a sincere and resounding THANK YOU—you are the heart of this journey!

With pride and anticipation, I present to you the annual report - a reflection of how our mission has flourished. **All that glitters is GOLD, here...**

RESULTS:

Year after year, our students in Classes X and XII have delivered stellar performances in the board exams, earning us a proud legacy of excellence and remarkable achievements.

CLASS XII RESULTS -

A total of **122 students** from the Science and the Commerce stream appeared for the board examinations and **every single one of them passed**, achieving a **100% pass rate**. An astounding **117 students secured Distinction**. **100% of our students** earned a **First Class**, showcasing success with flying colours.

---**P. HARSHINI** from Commerce emerged as the school topper with a phenomenal 493 (98.6%). **L. RAJALAKSHMI** from Commerce is the second topper scoring a brilliant 492 (98.4%), followed by **P. VAISHNAVI** of the Science stream securing the third position with 491 (98.2%), making it a legacy of top-tier achievement.

Nine students dazzled with perfect centums in Computer Science, while **five** achieved 100 in Informatics Practices. Chemistry and Accountancy each saw **two** students scoring centums and **one** student aced Mathematics with a perfect score of 100.

(LIST OF TOPPERS IN DIFFERENT SUBJECTS TO BE DISPLAYED)

Excellence takes center stage as we honour the incredible accomplishments of our students! Heartfelt congratulations - this is just the beginning of even greater things to come.

CLASS X RESULTS

Marking a momentous chapter in our academic journey, the AISSE Class X results for the year stand as a shining testament to our unwavering pursuit of scholastic excellence and student success. All 154 students who appeared for the examination emerged successful, achieving a flawless 100% pass rate. Of these, an exceptional 132 students secured Distinction and every single candidate earned a First Class.

ANANYA VENKATARAMAN and **AKSHAINIE KRISHNAKUMAR** soared to the top with an extraordinary score of 495/500 (99%). **SAHANA GOPALAKRISHNAN** and **S SRILAYA** claimed the second position with 491/500 (98.2%), while the third position was proudly shared by **HARSHITH K** and **SANDHYA SRIRAM** with 489/500 (97.8%).

Thirty-four students achieved perfect scores - Notably, an exceptional **thirty** students attained perfect centum in Tamil, **three** in Mathematics and **one** in Science.

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This triumph echoes the relentless perseverance, unwavering focus and the transformative learning our students have embraced-nurtured by the steadfast guidance of our teachers and the unwavering support of the parents. At the heart of this success lies the sacred grace and infinite blessings of our beloved Pujya Gurudev, whose divine presence continues to illuminate our path and inspire every milestone we celebrate.

STUDENTS WHO HAVE MADE IT TO ACCOMPLISHED UNIVERSITIES.

Double the success, double the pride! Both Pranaya Nila and P. Vaishnavi scored a phenomenal 575 in NEET. Pranaya and Vaishnavi have earned admission to **Stanley Medical College**. Their achievement is a celebration of their unwavering perseverance.

Nachiappan has secured admission to the prestigious NIT Calicut, ranked 4th among NITs in the country, where he is now pursuing his degree in Chemical Engineering.

Deekshitha has secured admission to IIM Kozhikode's four-year Bachelor of Management Studies (Honours with Research) programme, a significant milestone in her academic and professional pursuit.

Congratulations, dear children.

OUT STANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE VIDYALAYA

Rooted in Value-Based Education, Our School nurtures holistic growth and compassion through the Karuna Club's year-round initiatives. The club was inaugurated on 14th June this year. Adding to the joy, Karuna International honoured our teachers with the **All India Outstanding Karuna Club Award 2024 – 1st Prize and ₹11,000** for last year's efforts, along with a special mention.

We were honoured to welcome **Dr. B. Anil Kumar, Principal, Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Tarapur**, for the academic inspection at our school, on the 6th and 7th of January. These inspections play a vital role in ensuring quality education, monitoring performance and fostering continuous improvement. We are proud that our school was **graded as outstanding**, reflecting our commitment to holistic learning, character development and nurturing young minds with care and dedication.

STUDENTS' OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS

Champions keep playing until they get it right. They believe "You don't have to be great to start but you have to start to be great."

Shreya Suresh of Class VIII won the **first prize in the Mid-Junior Bharatanatyam** category at Kalasourabha 2024, her graceful performance inspiring many.

Sai Pragathesh and Anumitha Kirti of Class V proudly secured 5th runner-up among 350 talented participants in Malaysia at **Malaysia's Global Arts International Competition**.

Divya Nakshatra of Class I won 2nd runner-up at the **National Level in the Global Art Kolar Champ 2024 at Hyderabad**.

Mira Venkatraman of Class X was selected for the prestigious "**High School Achievers Program**" by **YLAC (Young Leaders for Active Leadership) India**, joining a cohort of 50 students from across the country. She completed an intensive 8-day leadership bootcamp at the TERI campus in Bangalore, covering themes like democracy, justice and leadership. Mira is now a proud **YLAC Fellow - 2025**.

Our school achieved outstanding success in the **National-Level CBSE "Stay Safe Online", a short film making contest**. Poorna's team clinched First Place, while Laksha Parthiban's team secured Second Place, attaining **All India Ranks I and II respectively**. They were awarded cash prizes of ₹10,000 and ₹5,000.

Rohith Rajasekaran, Srisha T, Samyuktha Srinivas and Kirisha P proudly represented our school in the **Tamil Nadu Police Traffic Wardens Organisation's RSP Republic Day Parade** held on 26th January 2025.

Neel J. Nair of Class V secured the **Second Place in Kata at the State Level Championship 2025**, organized by Kaizen Isshinryu Karate Association, under the **Blue Belt category**.

Vasundhara M of Class IX received Special Appreciation from CBSE for emerging as one of the **Regional Level Winners in the CBSE Reading Challenge 2024-25**.

G. Diveena and Vedaskandan of Class III participated in a **Yuva Kala 24 hours Individual 1-minute talent Show World Record Attempt**, that celebrated the unity of yoga and dance. Diveena also won the **1st prize in the National Level Singing Competition** conducted by the Young Achievers Olympiad.

As part of the silver jubilee celebrations of Thiruvalluvar's statue, Class II student **Keshika** won the **Thirukkural Recitation Competition** and received a medal from the Tamil Development Minister at the district-level event in Kanyakumari.

Iyal Arjun of Class IV was honoured with the '**Best Child Artiste of the Year**' award at the **Provoke Lifestyle Awards 2025** for his performance in the *Parachute* web series.

Maanasa L of Class VIII **Secured 1st prize** at the **State-Level Cyber Awareness Tales - Character Driven Story Writing competition**, organized by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology on Safe Internet Day.

Asara of Class IX won the **Silver Prize** at the **INKO Art Competition** by the Indo-Korean Cultural and Information Centre and has been selected to represent in the finals to be held in South Korea.

Pranav Ramesh of Class III and **Aadhya Dev** of Class IV showcased scientific excellence at the **National Science Olympiad** by the **Science Olympiad Foundation**, earning the prestigious **Award for Distinction**.

R. Pranav of Class XII received the **Distinction Prize** at the **Sri Adi Shankara Day Award Function**, hosted by the **Sri Vidyatheertha Foundation** reflecting his depth of knowledge and devotion.

J. Nina Adanya of Class V triumphed in the **IOEL (English Olympiad)** conducted by the **Silverzone Foundation**, clinching **State Rank III and a Bronze Medal**.

Yashaswini S of Class XI won a special prize in *A Green Check* competition at **ENVIRO 2025**, organised by the **Industrial Waste Management Association**. Her remarkable performance earned her a cash award of ₹500.

R. Ambika secured the **First Prize** in the **Voices of the Wild – Oratorical Competition** held at **M.O.P. Vaishnav College**, Chennai, in commemoration of World Animal Day.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN SPORTS -

Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities. Seize common occasions and make them great is what our young budding competitors believe in.

Keshika of Class II clinched **second place in three State-Level Children’s Chess Tournaments** — hosted by Pallave Chess Academy, KQ Chess Academy and A-MAX Academy (Under-8 Girls).

Mohit S. of Class X secured **10th place in the prestigious Dubai Open Chess Tournament 2025 (Category B)**, proudly winning a cash prize of **USD 700** for his achievement.

P. Sanjith of Class III made his mark by securing First Place in the **Freestyle Sub Junior Category at the Kick Boxing Competition 2025**, organized by the Chengalpet District Amateur Association.

R. Kavin Veera Charan of Class III demonstrated focus and stamina by shooting 144 arrows nonstop in 12 minutes and 12 seconds in the **Archery Event for the Guinness Book of World Records** organized by the World Young Achievers Book of Records.

At the NCC Combined Annual Training Camp 2025, held at AMET University, Kanathur, **Ashwanth Arun** secured **Second Place in Rifle Shooting**. Adding to the laurels, **Ratish and Ashwanth** were part of the **Volleyball Winning Team**, while **L. Tharish** showcased his skills as part of the **Runner-Up Team**.

R. J. Adith Pranav of Class III demonstrated remarkable skill in martial arts by clinching **First Prize in the Single Stick Event** at the **State Level Silambam Competition** organized by SKY Martial Academy.

Hania Atuf of Class IV showcased her exceptional talent at the **State-Level and Inter-District Artistic Gymnastics Competitions**, representing the **Tamil Nadu Gymnastic Association**. She struck **Gold in Floor Exercise** at both events and added a **Bronze in Balance Beam**, a true display of grace, grit and power.

Ahanya T. A. of Class I bagged Silver in 400m and 1000m races at the **National Skating Championship (TNSSCA)**. Her golden run continued at the **2nd KIMS Interschool Roller Skating Championships 2025**, where she clinched three Golds (200m, 1-lap road, 100m road) along with a ₹1000 cash prize. She also won Bronze in 500m and 3-lap (1000m) events in the Under-8 Girls category in **TN Open 2025**. She also secured **TWO Gold medals** - one in the **100m Road** and another in the **400m Rink** - at the Chennai District Championships 2025 (Under 6 Girls). This achievement qualifies her to **represent Chennai** at the highly anticipated Tamil Nadu Speed Skating State Meet!

R. Saathvika of Class I won the **First Prize** in the **3rd Tamil Nadu State Yoga Championship 2025**, organized by the School Yoga Association of Tamil Nadu

J. Koshika of Class IV demonstrated extraordinary control by holding the **Laghu Vajrasana** pose for an astounding **10 minutes** at the recent Nova World Records event. **J. Dishani** of Class I also held the **Ustrasana** pose steadily for **120 seconds** - a remarkable feat of strength and balance.

S. Vishvesh of Class VIII secured **1st place in the 400 m and earned 2nd place in the 800 m** at the WSC Clusters Meet.

Pavan Akash D of Class III secured the Runner-Up position in badminton at the **State Level Tournament** organized by Poorvika.

Sai Veshagan of Class 2 clinched 3rd place in the prestigious **State-level Yoga Competition held at Salem**.

INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS -

“To be a champion, compete; to be a great champion, compete with the best; but to be the greatest champion, compete with yourself”.

The Annual Gita Chanting 2024 finals on 10th December witnessed the participation of 1,101 students across age groups, with 273 prize winners. Our school efficiently managed the event and secured the overall championship with the highest number of participants. We were also honoured as one of Chennai’s top 10 schools.

At the **State-Level GCC Competition** held in Nagapattinam on 5th January, **Diyan** won the 1st prize, while **Hayavadan** was recognized with a special prize for exemplary chanting.

On 21st January 2025, we proudly hosted the **West Chennai Sahodaya Cluster Chess Tournament 2024-25**. With participation from 22 schools, students from Classes 6 to 8 competed in both boys' and girls' categories. Our student, **Prem Sankar** of Class 8, emerged victorious, securing first place in the boys' category.

KHELSANGHAM 3.0 - Inter Chinmaya Athletic Meet was hosted by Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Anna Nagar, at the Chinmaya Sports Complex, Thamaraiakkam. The meet witnessed energetic participation from 8 schools. We made a mark with stellar

performances, bagging multiple podium finishes and securing **Second Place in the Overall Championship.**

(The List of winners to be shown on the screen)

Our students shone at **Chinmayam 2025**, held at Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Taylor's Road, bringing home accolades across music, dance, quizzes, debates and creative arts competitions.

Students of the Commerce stream, excelled at **PS Amble, conducted by PS Senior Secondary School, Mylapore**, winning accolades in events like Situational Shenanigans, Financial Frenzy, Business Breakthrough and Stock Market.

Our students have made history by securing a remarkable **hat-trick**, winning the overall championship at the **Kurukshetra Cultural Competition for the third consecutive year.**

Our school secured **Runners-up position at Tarang 2025**, the inter-school cultural fest hosted by **PSBB Millennium, Gerugambakkam, on June 20-21.**

At **PSBB Reverberation'25**, held on the theme '**Netru Indru Naalai**', we won the **1st place in T-shirt Doodling and secured 3rd place in Shipwreck.**

Advaith Menon of Class 9 won the Best Paper Presentation Award along with his team at the **T3 - Teen Think Tank** conference hosted by PSBB on June 20th and 21st. Honorable Mention Awards were received by **Abhinav Mohan, Harshavardhan and Smriti Hariharan** of Class 9 for their noteworthy contributions.

Our students clinched the **Special Jury Award** in the grand finale of **Futurepreneur 2025 – State-Level Ideathon** competing against 50+ top teams, including regional champions from across the state.

At **AURIX 2025 hosted by P S Senior Secondary School, Mylapore**, our students won III place in **Situational Shenanigans** showcasing their knowledge and teamwork.

GUIDING LIGHTS: CELEBRATING THE BRILLIANCE OF OUR TEACHERS

Smt. Jyothi was honoured with the prestigious **Best Teacher Award by CSSC** organized by the renowned Bhavans Rajaji Vidyashram on 28th December 2024.

As part of the Women's Day celebrations on 7 March 2025, Avichi College of Arts and Science hosted a special ceremony to recognize the remarkable contributions of women leaders in education. **I**, had the immense honour of being recognized as one of Chennai's distinguished principals. Receiving the **AVM Women Achiever Award for Outstanding Leadership** was a moment of immense pride - an inspiring tribute to my journey in education.

The Veeramarayam Award Ceremony, 2025 held on 28 February 2025 at Y.M.C.A Auditorium, honoured exceptional **Associate NCC Officers from Tamil Nadu and Puducherry**. **Mr. S. Lenin** Physical director of our school was felicitated by Mr. V. Balakrishnan, I.P.S., for his exemplary dedication and leadership in NCC.

As part of International Yoga Day 2025, an awareness talk on "**Yoga in Daily Life for Young Engineers**" was held on 20th June at Dr. M.G.R. Educational and Research Institute organized by the NSS and First Year (Engineering & Technology). The session was led by our yoga instructor **Dr. R. Venugopal**.

Mrs. K.V. Rubeena, one among the 75 teachers from South India was honoured with the Best Teacher Award by Madhubun Educational Books on Hindi Diwas at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Bangalore.

Three of our teachers were honoured at the **Teacher's Award for Excellence Ceremony**, organised by *Shri Krishnaswamy College for Women* in collaboration with *MIT Square London*, on **5th April 2025** at the **Krissh Auditorium**. The event, part of the Founder's Day celebrations, was graced by **Dr. R. Raman**, Joint Director (Finance), Directorate of Collegiate Education, Chennai, as the Chief Guest.

This prestigious occasion recognized **innovative teaching practices, subject expertise and remarkable contributions to education**.

- **Mrs. Bharathi Ayyaswamy** was honoured with the *Mathematical Excellence Award* for Mathematics.
- **Mrs. Chitrakala** received the *Dr. U.V. Sa. Nallasiriyar Award* for Tamil.
- **Mrs. Nandini** was presented with the *Masterpiece Maker Award* in Arts & Crafts.

Mrs. Usha Govindarajan was honoured with the **ACHARYA MANI - Best Teacher Award** by the Chennai Sahodaya Schools Complex.

Mrs. R. Srividya was bestowed with the **Best Teacher Award** by **West Chennai Sahodaya Cluster Schools** for her excelling journey in education.

CHINMAYA BALSEVAK PROGRAMMES:

Our Balsevak students enthusiastically served through many initiatives—feeding cows, supporting orphans, donating rice and distributing buttermilk on special occasions. They also helped nearby villages by creating community gardens, cleaning temples and making learning aids for schools. The Food Mela organised by them raised a big sum for charity, turning food into a meaningful gift.

OVEP

Our school adopted OVEP, a global value-based sports programme fostering discipline, respect and team spirit. Reliance India Foundation, through its Sports vertical, supports OVEP's mission worldwide. The OVEP team recognized three impactful stories - Mrs. Bindu's and Mrs. Sreelatha's value-driven journeys and Ms. Asara's memorable student experience which were shared with over five lakh RIL employees.

OTHER EVENTS:

SPIC MACAY concert was hosted on the school premises to nurture a love for Indian classical music. **Padmashri Pandit Dr. S. Ballesh Bhajantri**, the legendary shehnai maestro, performed live along with other renowned maestros.

On National Youth Day (12th January), 45 students from Classes 9 to 11 took part in the **Vivekananda Youth Marathon** organized by the Vivekananda Youth Forum. The event, celebrating Swami Vivekananda's principles saw the participation of over 1000 students across various schools.

The Alumni Meet 2025, "A Heartwarming Reunion" was conducted on 26th January 2025, with 120 alumni from batches 1974 to 2024 in attendance. The Alumni Meet was graced by our Deputy Director Smt. P Vijayalakshmi and retired teacher veterans, whose presence inspired heartfelt memories.

Science Day was celebrated on 5 March 2025 with the theme ‘Knowledge, Tradition and Practices of India,’ highlighting India’s scientific legacy. Chief Guest Shri Durai Chandran inspired students to explore ancient wisdom with a scientific lens.

The Pongal celebration on 10th January 2025 was a vibrant occasion, beginning with the Mulapari festival to honour seeds and harvest. Graced by **Kalaimamani awardee Mahakavi Erode Thamizhanban**, the event was a beautiful showcase of Tamil culture and creative displays.

The **CHYK CTC** members organized a heartwarming Pongal celebration for the Payilagam students, a free tuition center initiated by our Vidyalaya Management. This event taught valuable lessons in teamwork and social responsibility.

Our students enthralled audiences at **Gana Sangamam** with seven vibrant performances on the 7th of January. A heartfelt Bharathiyar song by teachers added depth, earning appreciation from the school management.

Our school proudly hosted the Kolam Enthusiasts Group for their 1000th kolam creation- an intricate **Brahmamudi Kolam with 1.12 lakh dots**. Displayed for a week, this kollam was a masterpiece of the traditional art form.

KG Sports Day was celebrated on 14th February 2024, with **Mr. Enoch Newton Joseph (Sports Medicine Doctor and Medical Olympian)** as Chief Guest, who lauded the enthusiasm and sportsmanship of the young participants.

KG Graduation Day was held on 21st March 2025. **Smt. Kalaivani Suresh**, the Chief Guest, inspired the gathering with her address. The celebrations featured prize distribution, a cultural show themed “**Music in Harmony**” with Villupattu and a grand dance finale.

Chinmaya Yuva Kendra Chennai hosted **KRITAGYATA** on 18th May 2025 - an inspiring online tribute to our defence forces under **Operation Sindoor**. Esteemed speakers included **Swami Mitrananda, Wing Commander Varthaman and Major Madhan Kumar**. Streamed live on YouTube, the event honoured the sacrifices of our protectors.

“**Unlock the Botanical Lexicon, Mannin Marangal**” an AI powered mobile app developed by students under the guidance of Ms. Aishwarya Bramha, was launched on June 5th, 2025. This innovative app identifies plants from leaf images, promoting environmental awareness and local flora conservation.

Pre-KG class was inaugurated on 11th June with the auspicious **AKSHARAABHYASAM** ceremony, marking a historic moment for the institution. Nineteen tiny tots took their first step into learning with the sacred chanting of Medha Suktam. Children wrote the sacred letter 'Om', marking the beginning of their learning journey.

On April 22nd our school celebrated **Earth Day** emphasizing the importance of caring for our planet. Students actively participated in planting tree saplings, contributing to a greener, healthier environment and reinforcing the message of environmental care.

National Reading Day 2025 was celebrated on 19th June 2025 with the theme '**Read and Grow**'. A book fair by Kids2Today Publishers was held on 19th and 20th June on the school premises. Students **Meera Venkatraman, Samyuktha Niranjana and Sivaramakrishnan** had the opportunity to interview **Dr. Sudha Seshayyan**, Director of Sastra University, Chennai Campus and Indo-Japan G20 Chair, who highlighted the many benefits of reading.

CHINMUN 2025, held on 30th June and 1st July, was a grand success, organised flawlessly by the Social Sciences Department. Around 15 schools and 330 students participated in this mega conference.

Our students have actively participated in various Model United Nations (MUNs), including **CVMUN 25 and PVMUN 25**, earning accolades such as Best Delegate awards, High Commendations, Special and Verbal Mentions and Honourable Mentions.

Brahmachari Ananda Chaitanya graced our Vidyalaya from 21st to 24th July, with a series of **Bhagavad Gita Discourses in Malayalam for Everyday Life**. Expounding on select verses, he unveiled the Gita's timeless wisdom in a relatable way, guiding everyday life with strength and serenity.

Under the divine guidance of Swami Mitranandaji and Swami Sureshananda and the dedicated efforts of teachers from Chennai Chinmaya Vidyalayas, **the Bhagavad Gita has been beautifully versified in Tamil**, making its timeless wisdom accessible to Tamil speakers. We are proud to share that **Smt. Velvizhi and Sri Vijayakumar** contributed significantly to this project. **Smt. Vidhyalakshmi** rendered select verses in Hindi, which were sent to Music Director Uttam Singh.

A historic moment unfolded on 27th July, when **Hon'ble Prime Minister Sri Narendra Modi Ji** inaugurated this initiative at Gangaikonda Cholapuram. The release is now

available on our YouTube channel, *chinmayamissionchennai*. Celebrations continued on **Guru Aradhana Day** (3rd August) at Chinmaya Heritage Centre where the esteemed **RSS leader Ram Madhavji**, the chief guest, honoured **Maestro Ilaiyaraaja** for composing music for the Tamil Versification of the Gita.

This vision, a brainchild of Swami Mitrananda, led him to meet the Heads of CBSE schools, sharing how the Bhagavad Gita's timeless wisdom can guide students and families in daily life.

Marking the 32nd Maha Aradhana Day of Pujya Gurudev Swami Chinmayananda, the students of Primary Classes presented *Yugatvam – Echoes of Wisdom Across Yugas*, with 150 children bringing to life timeless values. The Middle School's *Rashtra Devo Bhava* exhibition reflected India's spirit through Dharmic values, defence innovations and the role of empowered women. As a digital tribute, the Computing Club, guided by Smt. Aishwarya Bamma introduced **Chinmaya Gita - an AI-powered chatbot** offering instant answers from Gurudev's commentary on the Bhagavad Gita.

CHYK - TC CVV members paid a soulful tribute to Pujya Gurudev Swami Chinmayananda as part of Maha Aradhana Day with Chief Guest Swami Sureshanandaji gracing the proceedings. The offering included bhajans, Gita chanting, a creative presentation capturing the essence of Gurudev's teachings through the symbolic lighting of diyas.

On 6th July, our Vidyalaya bid **an emotional farewell to the Class XII batch of 2025** with vibrant décor, fun games, nostalgic moments and a memorable send-off over a delightful lunch.

On **National Sports Day**, our students took a pledge — "*Ek Ghanta Khel Ke Maidan Mein*" — committing to spend at least one hour each day in physical activity, promoting fitness, teamwork and a healthy lifestyle.

Lend-a-Hand India, in collaboration with CBSE, brought the "Skills on Wheels" initiative, offering students hands-on experience in circuit-building, BP monitoring, drilling and tool design—blending practical learning with teamwork to make skill-building a dynamic experience.

Our Vidyalaya celebrated a wide spectrum of spiritual observances throughout the year like Ganapathi Homam, Guru Purnima, Krishna Jayanti, Ganesh Chaturthi, Rama Navami,

Gurudev Jayanti, Maha Shivaratri, Onam to Navaratri. Alongside, we celebrated national festivals such as Viswa Vasundara Diwas, Independence Day, Republic Day, Teacher's Day and Children's Day, as well as our key annual milestones like the Investiture Ceremony and Sports Day. Every celebration enriched the vibrant culture and nurtured the all-round growth of our Vidyalaya family.

TEACHERS' ENRICHMENT PROGRAMMES:

The **Teaching Aid Competition** for English and Mathematics teachers of primary classes, was held on 18th January 2025 at Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Taylor's Road. Teachers showcased innovative aids, received expert feedback and discussed assessment strategies. They won several prizes for their innovative ideas and teaching strategies.

Mrs. Aishwarya Brahma conducted a session in January to **empower teachers with AI tools in PowerPoint 2019 and Office 365**. Teachers learned to create engaging presentations efficiently using the Designer Tool, supporting tech-forward educational goals.

Smt. Ramya Vijayachandra conducted a session on **AI-Powered Prompt Engineering** in March 2025, to help teachers integrate AI tools for effective lesson planning and student engagement.

An interactive session on **work-life balance** was conducted by the school counsellor, Smt. Jayashree, on 12th March 2025. Teachers learned self-care and stress-reduction techniques through discussions and hands-on activities.

A capacity building programme on stress management was conducted by Smt. V. Gowrilakshmi and Dr. Maheshwari Nagarajan, on 3rd April 2025. It equipped teachers with tools to recognize stress triggers, manage time effectively and build resilience through practical strategies and relaxation techniques.

A CBSE workshop on **Competency-Based Education** was held on 12th April 2025. Smt. P. Vijayalakshmi, Deputy Director, Chinmaya Vidyalayas and Smt. V. Gowrilakshmi, Principal, Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Annanagar equipped teachers with the knowledge and skills to shift from traditional, content-based teaching to a more student-centric, competency-driven approach.

A one-day Wellness Retreat was organised for the teachers at the serene Mamallam Beach Resort, Mahabalipuram, on 24th April. It was a well-deserved pause that blended learning with relaxation.

Enrichment workshops were held to keep teachers updated with evolving methodologies. Sessions covered **Enquiry Based Learning in Environmental Science and Science, Conceptual Clarity Through Games in Maths and English and a focused AI workshop on integrating Artificial Intelligence in classrooms**. These initiatives enhanced teaching effectiveness.

An orientation programme was conducted on 4th June, which ensured a **smooth, joyful transition for Kindergarten** students entering Class I, nurturing their curiosity and readiness for the next learning phase. It was conducted by Smt. Chitrakala Ramachandran at our school premises.

The **Tamil Department** attended a workshop on "**Strategies to Improve Teaching and Learning Using Technology**" conducted by Dr. Balaraman, Assistant Professor of Science and Anthropology, SRM Ramapuram.

Our Vidyalaya takes pride in its teachers who served as resource persons at the workshop on **Question Paper Mastery: on 12th July**. Our Vice Principal Smt. Vasundhara, HOD's Smt. Viji Mohan, Smt. Latha Natarajan, Smt. Chitrakala Kalaiselvan, Smt. Manjusha Shantharam and I, shared our expertise, guiding participants in our respective subjects to design purposeful, balanced and effective question papers.

On 19th July, Ms. P. Visalakshi and Ms. Bharathi Ayyaswamy attended a workshop titled **Reimagining Math Classrooms by CBSE Resource Person Ms. Swetha Choudary** at The Park, Chennai, exploring innovative strategies to make math teaching more engaging and aligned with 21st-century learning.

The **CBSE Capacity Building Programme for Teachers on Art Integration** was conducted on 3rd June 2025 at Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Annanagar and 19th August 2025 at our school. Smt. V. Gowri Lakshmi, Principal, Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Anna Nagar and I were the resource persons. The programme proved insightful and engaging, highlighting the importance of integrating art into teaching and learning.

Mrs. Akila and Mrs. Sarala attended the **Bharath Scouts and Guides training** at Hoskote Camping and Training Centre from 12th to 18th September. **Mrs. Akila**

completed the Basic Course for Flock Leaders, while Mrs. Sarala trained in the Basic Course for Guides, strengthening leadership and outdoor skills.

Smt. Chitrakala Kalaiselvan participated as a guest speaker at the Scholars' Festival 2025, organized by the World Tamil Cultural Movement in collaboration with Arulmigu Subramaniam Temple at **Navalar Mandapam, Teluk Pulai, Klang, Malaysia**. On this occasion, she delivered a speech on **Professor A. Ki. Paranthamanar**. In recognition of her contribution, she was presented with **a certificate of honor and a cash award of 200 ringgit.**

A workshop on Sustainable Development Goals was conducted by Smt. Sapna N. Sankhla, Principal of RMK Residential Senior Secondary School, on 11th October. Attended by all Middle School teachers, the session highlighted the importance of sustainable growth and ways to integrate SDG concepts into classroom learning.

WORKSHOPS BY CHINMAYA EDUCATION CELL

Smt. Kalavani and Smt. Uma Maheshwari attended **Vigyan Goshti - II** organized by **CCMT at CIRS** from 2nd to 6th December, 2024 which focused on Science and Spirituality, Technology and hands-on learning. Special mention to **Smt. Uma Maheshwari**, who won the 1st prize in the Science Quiz and 2nd place in the Science Run. **I handled** a session on 5th December, 2024 on creating lesson plans that seamlessly integrate CVP and 21st-century skills.

Chinmaya Balsevak students from Class VIII attended a **five-day Seva Camp at Chinmaya Gardens**, Coimbatore, where they engaged in service activities with **CORD** and visited villages for rural development tasks gaining valuable learning and seva experiences.

A two-day CVP Induction was held on 14th & 15th June, 2025 at Chinmaya Tarangini for the **new teachers of our school**. Led by Swami Mitrananda, Shri Sathiyamoorthy, Smt. P. Vijayalakshmi, Smt. Vijaya Devanathan and Smt. Latha, the sessions offered deep insights into Pujya Gurudev's vision and the essence of the Chinmaya Vision Programme.

Smt. Visalakshi and Smt. Indra Priyadharshini attended **Netritva XII**, a leadership initiative conducted by CCMT Education Cell, from 18th to 21st June at Chinmaya Tarangini, Chennai.

Chinmaya Parichaya 2025, a workshop for newly joined teachers, was held at Chinmaya Gardens, Coimbatore, from 16th to 19th July. **Smt. Kala Sivakumar and Smt. Veena V**, attended the session which offered insights into the Chinmaya Vision Programme.

Smt. Manjusha Shantharam attended the Chinmaya Master Trainer Programme from 9th October to 11th October, at Chinmaya Gardens, Coimbatore - an initiative designed to empower educators with the vision and values of Chinmaya Education. It inspires **teacher-led transformation through value-based learning**. She has since been selected as a Master Trainer.

STUDENTS' ENRICHMENT PROGRAMMES:

An inspiring session for the students of Class XI was conducted by **Colonel Rajan Gupta, Senior Recruitment Medical Officer, Army HQ Chennai** on 27th January, 2025. He shed light on exciting **career opportunities** in the military medical field.

Smt. Aishwarya, Coordinator of the Chinmaya Computing Club, facilitated a 5-day **Electronics Workshop in collaboration with Easwari Engineering College**. Led by Dr. Arun and Dr. Nandini, the workshop introduced 20 students to robotics fundamentals.

“The Architecture and Significance of Indian Temples” was held on 1st February 2025 for Class 6 students. Mr. Dharini’s talk brought temple architecture to life, highlighting Nagara and Dravidian styles.

Monthly Value Education classes, led by **Brahmachari Ananda Chaitanya** for Classes IX to XII, offer students meaningful guidance for spiritual enrichment and emotional development.

International Yoga Day was celebrated in school on 21st June with great enthusiasm. **Smt. Rohini Manohar**, Founder of Chennai Yoga Studio, led a dynamic workshop for Classes VI to VIII. Students of Classes IX to XII showcased their skills through asanas, guided by Dr. R. Venugopal, the school’s yoga instructor.

On August 2nd, Class XI students, accompanied by **Smt. Viji Mohan and Smt. Kala Sivakumar**, attended the launch of **“New World: 21st Century Global Order and India”** by **Shri Ram Madhav and Mr. Syed Akbaruddin** at the **Chinmaya Heritage Centre, Chetpet**.

EDUCATIONAL TRIPS:

From discovering culture to exploring nature, students across classes enjoyed unforgettable field trips. In January, students experienced a few exciting educational journeys. **Class III** explored Dakshin Chitra's traditional houses. **Class IV** went on a trip to Birla Planetarium while **Class V** visited Farm Guru.

Class VII visited Pondicherry and **Class VIII** explored various places in Kanyakumari.

Class X students went to **Chinmaya Tapovanam, Sidhbari** and visited Gurudev's samadhi sthal.

ONGOING AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

“The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows.”

1. The Chinmaya Computing Club (CCC), launched on Alan Turing Day, April 21, 2022, flourishes with workshops on AI, VR, Game Development, Robotics and IoT, while Bebras Challenge training enhances logic and problem-solving skills.

2. Launched on July 27, 2022, for Classes VI–XII, the Science Club fosters hands-on experiments, discussions and projects that nurture curiosity beyond textbooks.

3. Students from Classes 9 -12 participated in the yearlong Generation Global online debate programme, engaging with peers worldwide on topics like identity, digital wellness and human rights. Guided by Smt. Rakhee Nandakumar and student coordinator Sivaramkrishna, the sessions fostered dialogue and skill development.

4. Our new Sports Coaching Programme, held thrice a week, brings expert guidance to budding athletes. Focused coaching in Chess (III-VIII), Basketball (VI-VIII) and Cricket (VI-VIII) empowers students to develop discipline, teamwork and excellence.

5. Students of Classes IX to XII voted to elect their ASPL, using electronic voter machines for the first time. Though voting is a regular practice, this marked a shift to a more modern and efficient method.

"Don't watch the clock; do what it does. Keep going."

As we look ahead, we stand at the threshold of boundless opportunities. The road before us is rich with potential and with the collective strength of the Chinmaya Vidyalaya family, I am certain we will scale even greater heights.

I offer my deepest gratitude to the spiritual guiding light of our institution, **Pujya Gurudev Swami Chinmayananda**. My heartfelt thanks also extend to **Swami Mitranandaji** for his magnetic impact, unwavering support and mentorship. I am profoundly grateful to **Shri O.V. Nambiar, Zonal Director, Shri Sathiyamoorthy, Director, Smt. P. Vijayalakshmi, Deputy Director** and **Shri N. Nagarajan, Correspondent**, whose visionary leadership continues to guide and elevate our Vidyalaya to new heights.

A special mention goes to our devoted teachers, staff, parents and students-the true pillars of our journey. Your dedication and support propel us forward, helping us realize our mission to empower young minds and inspire greatness.

Hari Om and Thank you.