

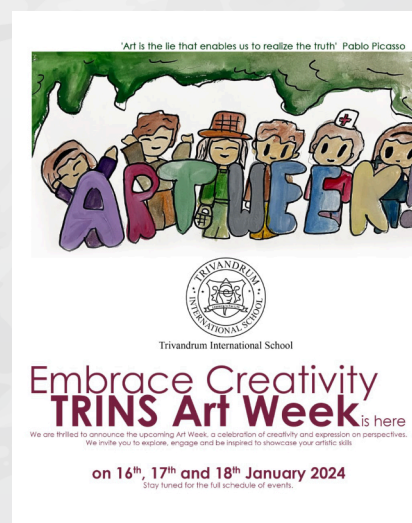
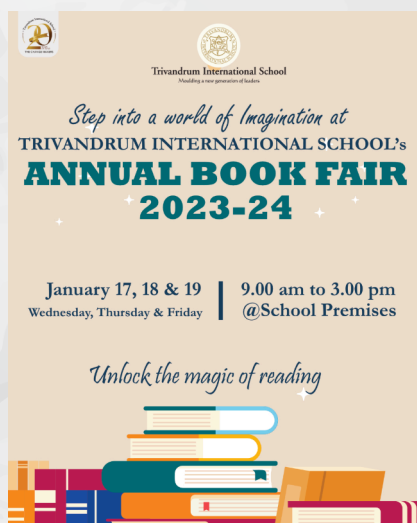


Principal's Message



It is great for the school to receive endorsements at any time, but the beginning of a new year is a particularly appropriate time. As you will read below, Trivandrum International School has been shortlisted for the Tes Awards for International Schools 2024 in the Specialist Provision Provider. I would like to thank the Special Education Needs Department for putting together the submission, reflecting the excellent work the Department does alongside the rest of the TRINS teachers to enable all students to access the curriculum that we offer.

We started 2024 with a busy week as students returned to school. There was a tremendous momentum that will carry us into the coming term. We have a book fair in school this week, promoting the importance of reading and the particular enjoyment of holding a book. The current week also features the Art Exhibition, enabling students across the school to explore the visual arts. This breadth of experience has always been integral to the TRINS identity; I had the privilege this week of attending a Bharatanatyam performance by Amritha Jayakrishnan, one of our original students of July 2003. This was part of the Soorya Festival, reflecting the very high standard of her dance. It was another occasion for me to feel great pride in the accomplishments of our students past and present, as well as those of TRINS teachers.





Tes Awards for International Schools 2024

Shortlisted

Specialist Provision Provider of the Year



Trivandrum International School shortlisted for the Tes Awards for International Schools 2024 (Specialist Provision Provider)

Trivandrum International School has been shortlisted as a finalist for the first ever Tes Awards for International Schools. These awards highlight the most outstanding schools and teachers the global education community has to offer. The shortlisted schools and teachers represent 36 countries across the world.

The shortlisted finalists have been selected by a panel of expert judges including school leaders, experts, and education researchers. After rigorous judgement from a strict set of criteria, it has been revealed that Trivandrum International School has been shortlisted for the Specialist Provision Provider award. The judges' objectivity, professionalism, and high standards will help establish winning the awards as an achievement highly sought after.

The awards have been supported by leading international school associations, including BSME (British Schools in the Middle East), COBIS, (Council of British International Schools), ECIS (The Education Collaborative for International Schools), FOBISIA (Federation of British International Schools in Asia), and the IB (International Baccalaureate), a global leader in international education.

Student Achievements

Reading Challenge

The following are the students who completed the Reading challenge Bingo and each earned a Rs 500/- book voucher and 5 points for their house:

Adithya Arun Grade 6 (Jalam); Shrika Balasubramanian Grade 7 (Jalam); Adithya Biju Grade 11 (Jalam); Mili Savan Grade 11 (Prithvi); Rishi Neelanath Grade 11 (Prithvi)





Staff Achievements



Ms. Syama Sugathan of the SEN Department attended a short-term course based on Poor Scholastic Performance Management organised with PASS Academy on the topic- difficulties in learning and remedial methods from 25th Nov 2023 to 19th Dec 2023.



Ms. Sujithra from the Department of Special Educational Needs has completed the IB Cat 2 workshop, Leading the Learning.



Ms. Ananya, a member of the SEN department, has completed her B.Ed. in Intellectual Disability from MG University, achieving a notable 9.59 CGPA in the programme.



Congratulations to **Mr. Sijo Thomas** for being awarded a gold medal in academics for his Masters in Physical Education and Sport.

Recognising Teacher Commitment

The Dedicated Teacher Awards are a global competition run by Cambridge University Press & Assessment, where students can nominate their favourite teacher and give them a big thank you. For example, your child might like to nominate their teacher for escorting them to a competition, making a lesson come to life with videos or props, or for something as simple as being there when they needed to talk. All of the teachers at our school love their work and are very proud of the students they teach. Recognition of teachers' accomplishment is a regular feature of ToT, but an appreciation from a student is always a special accolade. If your child would like to show their appreciation, they are able to find out more and nominate their teacher for the awards by visiting dedicatedteacher.cambridge.org

An email will be sent to parents with these details - I know how much many TRINS students value their teachers, but this is voluntary and there is no expectation that a child or parent should put forward a nomination.



TRINS ELC Sasthamangalam

Theme Culmination

As part of the culmination of our theme "How We Organise Ourselves" centred on the concept of "Farm to Table," the preschoolers of City campus visited Mullassery Dairy Farm on Wednesday, 10th January. The students were happy to engage in several farm chores, like feeding goats, observed cows grazing and carried eggs from the hens. Ducks freely roamed the area, enhancing the sensory adventure. This firsthand experience aligned seamlessly with our theme's central idea and highlighted the collaborative effort to bring food from the farm to our tables,



Book Fair

For the first time, our preschoolers and kindergarteners will be engaged in the world of books through a book fair on Saturday 20th January. Publishers such as New Light and Book Berries will be displaying their collection of books at our Early Learning Centre in Technopark for all the parents from Sasthamangalam and Technopark



TRINS ELC Technopark

Pre School Theme Culmination

In the culmination of "How We Organise Ourselves - Farm to Table," preschool children from Technopark ELC visited Mullessery Farm for a transformative experience. They engaged in hands-on activities such as feeding goats, observing grazing cows, and holding freshly laid eggs. This interactive encounter aligned with the theme, emphasizing the vital processes behind bringing food to tables. Mullessery Farm offered an educational experience that left a lasting impression and raised awareness of the farm-to-table journey.



Round Square

The first Trins Round Square Intramural Conference was hosted by the Trins RS Student Society on January 13, centered around the Round Square IDEALS of Leadership, specifically focusing on the attribute of Teamwork. The conference aimed to cultivate leadership skills among participants through a carefully planned schedule of team-building activities.

The day's agenda featured barazas led by society members, followed by reflection sessions, debates, and team cultural activities. The activities were designed to actively involve participants in fostering collaboration, communication, and problem-solving skills. The inclusion of team cultural activities further enhanced the collaborative spirit, allowing students to showcase their talents and cultural backgrounds while working together as cohesive teams.

