



## Principal's Message



At the end of the week, I attended the Cambridge Schools Conclave in South Asia. Being amongst so many heads of school from across India (as well as Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal and Sri Lanka), was a reminder of how significant a provider of educational services Cambridge is in the region. It was interesting to find out more about what one of our key assessment partners is developing, and the awareness of the particular needs of schools in India. The Cambridge IGCSE is the most popular Grade 10 qualification in international education, and International A-levels are long-established as a global qualification that enables

university entrance. Cambridge is also a provider of professional development opportunities, which they plan to enhance. As a long-established Cambridge International School, there will be opportunities for TRINS to contribute, as well as to access the resources.

I am very pleased that four teachers at TRINS have been nominated for the 2024 Cambridge Dedicated Teacher Awards. Any positive recognition of the efforts that are made across the school to create a strong learning environment is a compliment to the whole TRINS teaching faculty.



Mr. Richard Hillebrand

## Round Square

The King Constantine medal is produced by Round Square and awarded by the member school to a student during the annual prize-giving or another formal occasion. This medal is presented to an exceptional individual or group of individuals from every Member School who has done unusual and outstanding work within their local or school community and truly embraces the spirit of the Round Square IDEALS.

About His Majesty King Constantine: A former pupil of Anavryta, one of Round Square's founding schools, King Constantine was invited to chair the first meeting of the seven schools that would form the Round Square movement, named after the building at Gordonstoun where the first conference took place in 1967. For half a century, His Majesty's close involvement continued, first as Chair, and later as President, of Round Square, and over that time, he saw countless students participate in international conferences, service projects, exchange visits, classroom collaborations and a range of other activities, as the Round Square movement evolved from those early meetings.



About the medal: The medal has on its face the words “Round Square King Constantine Medal”, and a likeness of His Majesty King Constantine, President and Patron of Round Square.

Reference: [www.roundsquare.org](http://www.roundsquare.org)



## Student Achievements



Aryeh

An entry from TRINS has reached the final three in the Earth Prize competition. Aryeh Thomas Mathews of 11DP has taken an idea for data collection from farmers and developed it as an app that has ease of access and immediate utility.



Pratheeksha

Pratheeksha Deepu of Grade 4, achieved third position in the Doubles Under 11 Open Kerala Badminton Championship organised by United Badminton Academy.



Anya

Anya Rahul, of Grade 3, reached the semi-finals of the Girls Under 8 Kerala Open Mini Tennis Tournament 2024 organised by Trivandrum Tennis Club.



Anay

Anay Akhil, a Grade 4 student, reached the Merit Plus category in the Nationals Level (L3) in the Spellbee Competition conducted by Spellbee Internationals.



Shreya Arun Krishna, Vaiga S, Gyan T Prabhakar from Grade 4, and Jeshnaa Hari from Grade 5 reached the Accomplishment Category in the National Level Competition (L3) in the Spellbee Competition conducted by Spellbee Internationals. They will be participating in the International Level (L4) in the upcoming month.



Gyan



Jeshna



Shreya



Vaiga

## TRINS Main School

### Social Service Culmination

The first episode of the Grade 11 Social Service Culmination took place on Wednesday morning, 14th February. Students from Andoor LPS and Manalakkam LPS performed items they had learnt during the communicative English sessions with their Grade 11 mentors. The other two schools visited by our students will be coming to TRINS next Wednesday.





### Celebrating Success: The EY Swimming Gala

On Friday, 16th February, the Early Years Swimming Gala took place, marking a momentous occasion for our young swimmers. We celebrate the remarkable display of confidence and sportsmanship demonstrated by our Kindergartners during the EY Swimming Gala. Their determination, resilience, and teamwork were wonderful to witness. The success of the EY Swimming Gala is a testament to the collective efforts and unwavering support of our school community.



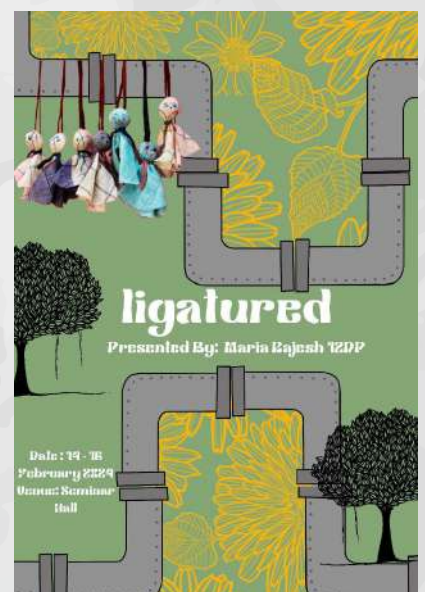
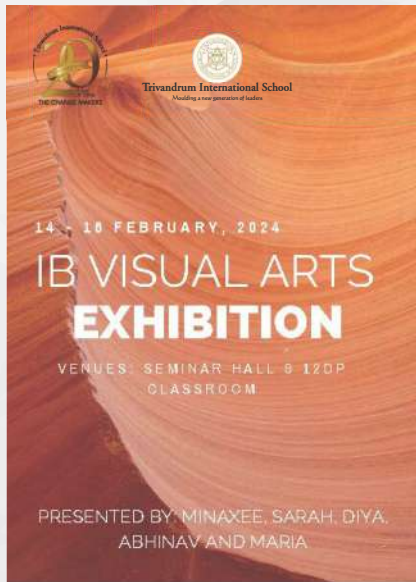
The students of Early and Primary Years enthusiastically participated at the Swimming Gala. The swim past showcased a wonderful display of skills and strokes. All participants eagerly encouraged their friends to compete and special thanks to the volunteer students from the Senior School. Jalam house bagged the first place with Vaayu as runners up. A spirit of true sportsmanship joyously filled the air. We are immensely proud of our young swimmers and grateful to everyone who played a part in making this event a memorable and rewarding experience for all, from our dedicated swimming department led by Ms. Aneesha to the collaborative efforts of our PE department and home room teachers across our campuses.





### IBDP Visual Arts exhibition

The IBDP Visual Arts exhibition of the 7th batch was meticulously curated by Abhinav Krishnan, Diya Palangadan, Sarah Biji Tharakan, Maria Geomi Rajesh, and Minaxee G Panicker. Over a span of three days, from the 14th to the 16th February, the exhibition showcased the students' best-selected pieces of artwork from a diverse collection created during the academic year 2022-2024. These exhibits were the tangible results of the students' dedicated and tireless efforts over the past two years. The students demonstrated their skill and technical competence, employing their most confident mediums to bring forth a stunning array of creative expression. The outstanding thoughts and concepts conveyed in their artwork were widely appreciated by fellow students, teachers, staff, and parents who attended the exhibition.





## Visit to Global Science Festival of Kerala

The students of grade 4 visited GSFK, held at Bio Life Sciences Park, Thonnakkal on 9th February, 2024. The trip offered a world of learning to the students from life size fossils, organic human organs, augmented reality, a close up encounter with the Moon and Mars to a 720-degree visual experience of our universe. The trip was a day of wondering and wandering from one pavilion of captivation to another, a day that was much enjoyed by the students and the staff despite the heat and the crowd.



## Visit to Kerala Institute of Science and Technology

Students of grade 3 visited Kerala Institute of Science and Technology and Priyadarshini Planetarium on 9th Friday 2024 as a part of the current theme "How the world works". They explored different working models on light and sound. The students made a note of their observations and Experienced hands-on learning. Based on the knowledge gained during their inquiry they were able to make connections with their learning.



## Basics of Farming with Ms Anjali

As part of the current theme, 'Sharing the Planet', Grade 5 had an interaction with Ms Anjali, Agricultural Officer, Kazhakoottam on the basics of farming. Various topics related to agriculture, soil and organic ways of farming were addressed during this session. Students were eager to ask questions related to the plants they have chosen to grow and the ways to take care of them which will help in completing their Sustainable Farm Project successfully.



### Personal Project

The Grade 8 personal project exhibition and assessment took place on Monday.

Gratitude is extended to all mentors and evaluators for their invaluable support.





## The South Zone – IBDP Job Alike Session

The session was held on Saturday, 3rd February, 2024 at the Sarala Birla Academy - Bengaluru.

294 educators from 48 schools attended this event. 9 of our IBDP teachers attended this session under their specific subjects-

Ms Anupama-English language and Lit

Ms Synthia- Language Acquisition-French ab initio

Ms Sunu-ESS

Ms Gayathri- History

Ms Sinduja-Business Management

Mr Abhilash-Psychology

Mr Michael-Economics

Ms Amoolya-TOK

Ms Rachel- DPC



The Plenary Session entitled Socio-Emotional Learning and the IB Student Profile was led by Dr. Sagareeka Roy Bhatia, Roundglass School, Chandigarh.

-The goal of this session was to provide an opportunity for experienced/new teachers, coordinators, vice principals and principals from IB schools to get together to share good teaching practices, teaching ideas, their expertise, and explore issues/challenges relevant to the country or region and to share strategies and solutions. Job Alike Sessions are thus forums for IB practitioners to be enriched through their sharing and provide an opportunity to strengthen and deepen our shared IB philosophy.

It was a great learning experience for our teachers- from the Plenary session to the subject specific discussions, sharing of best practices,resources and an opportunity for networking.







TRINS ELC Sasthamangalam

**City KG2 Parent Volunteer Story Narration Session:**

As part of our ongoing exploration of Theme 4: Stories, we were fortunate to have Ms. Samna S., mother of Fida, generously volunteer her time to conduct a captivating story narration session for our students. Ms. Samna's engaging storytelling not only entertained but also enriched our students' understanding of narrative elements and moral lessons. Ms. Samna's story choice, "The Frog and The Mouse," was met with eager anticipation from our students. With skilful voice modulations and subtle explanations, she brought the characters and their world to life, capturing the attention of every child in the room. What truly set Ms. Samna's session apart was her interactive approach. Throughout the narration, she skilfully engaged our students by encouraging them to share their opinions about the characters, their favourite parts of the story, and the lessons they gleaned. This not only fostered active participation but also allowed students to connect with the central ideas and lines of inquiry embedded within the narrative.

Kudos to Ms Swapna, HRT of City KG2 for constantly encouraging parents to volunteer during your theme engagements.





## Staff Achievements

The following teachers have been nominated for the Cambridge Dedicated Teacher Award - kudos to them:



Ms. Karthika Raj



Ms. Keerthana Vasanth Kumar



Mr. Abhilash V.L.



Ms. Renu Vailakkara

Mr. Sujith and Ms. Cyrielle actively engaged in the workshop titled "PYP Arts: Exploring Transdisciplinary Integration through Arts," led by Mr. Vaishak M Raj, a skilled performing art educator. This insightful session, organized by the Art Journal Foundation, provided a comprehensive insight into transdisciplinary teaching, learning, and subject integration.



Mr. Sujith



Ms. Cyrielle