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### Principal's message



Attending the Round Square Regional Annual Meeting in Muscat, 8th-9th November 2024

I have spent a few days in Muscat at the Round Square Annual Regional Meeting for South Asia and the Gulf region, accompanying Ms. Sapnu George, Executive Director, and Ms. Sangeetha, the TRINS Round Square representative. Ms. Sangeetha was invited to lead a workshop, a direct consequence of the Five-Year Reflection visit we had in February. I think it is sometimes difficult for parents to quantify what the school's affiliation actually means in practice. Ms. Sangeetha's presentation highlighted both how the school ethos reflects the Round Square values of internationalism, environmentalism, adventure, leadership and service (IDEALS), and how being part of Round Square enables TRINS to deepen our students' learning through the various opportunities this offers.

When you look through this week's edition, you will see that service has been an important aspect of the week that has just passed. Our students do not undertake service activities because we are a Round Square school, but because this reflects our school's values; however, through Round Square, TRINS students have the chance to contribute to service activities beyond the school. Similarly, they have opportunities to take part in adventure activities and develop leadership skills in different situations; this can often be in an international context, supporting our aim to develop international mindedness. Membership of Round Square enhances what TRINS is able to provide in terms of a holistic education.

Mr. Richard Hillebrand





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#### TRINS SPONSORED FOOD KITS

On Thursday, 7th November, as a part of the Daan Utsav collection, TRINS sponsored Food Kits to 30 underprivileged and needy students' families from the Manalakkam LPS, Andoor LPS, Kayilothukonam LPS and Pattathil LPS government schools. Each food kit comprising 10kg Rice, 1 kg green gram, 1kg brown Channa and Grocery for a month was pooled together. The food kits were distributed by Mr. Hillebrand and the hostel students. Hostel students supported Daan Utsav with the grocery purchase from their contributions. Thanks to every single student who had contributed to the collections.







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#### **GRADE 10 VISIT TO GENERAL HOSPITAL**

Students of Grade 10 IC visited General Hospital Ward 9, as a part of the school social service activity on Thursday 7th November. The students were briefed about the importance of Ward 9 and its patients by the Hospital Staff and Dr.Madhu, parent of Hridhay Madhu (10IC). The students - Anushree Ramesh, BalaKiran Nair, Hridhay Madhu and Krishna - had pooled in an amount of Rs.5,000/- from their pocket money and sponsored lunch for the Ward 9 patients for 7th November. Yuvankumar S (Grade 9IG) High School Social Service Secretary also joined the visiting group, which was accompanied by Ms. Ambili Balan, who coordinated the donation. The students also visited Mr.Radhakrishnan Pillai, who had been sponsoring food every day to Ward 9 patients through his Matha Vanitha Charitable society, and interacted with him about his journey in the service to the community.







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### PYP SOCIAL SERVICE- VISIT TO ST. MARTHA'S SPECIAL SCHOOL

As part of our monthly PYP Social Service initiative, Grade 5A and 5B visited St. Martha's Special School on Tuesday 5th November and donated the contributions collected in October. This visit provided our students with a wonderful opportunity to engage with the children at St. Martha's through dance, songs, and interactions. Through this experience, our students were able to develop and demonstrate key values of empathy, compassion, and care. Thank you to all our parents, students and teachers for contributing towards this cause wholeheartedly.







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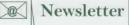
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#### GRADE 3B TALENT ASSEMBLY

On Monday, 4th November 2024, Grade 3B students hosted a vibrant Talent Assembly, showcasing their unique skills and creativity. The assembly featured an impressive array of art and craft displays, along with delightful song renditions, energetic dance performances, and engaging storytelling.







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#### COMMUNITY HELPERS THEME CULMINATION

On Wednesday 6th November, EY successfully concluded its theme on community helpers. The event featured our young ones dressed as various community helpers, including astronauts, doctors, scientists, farmers, nurses, air hostesses, and policemen, among others. The children demonstrated commendable confidence as they articulated their reasons for choosing their respective roles and provided clear descriptions of the responsibilities associated with each community helper.

A highlight of the event was a presentation by a parent who is a scientist at ISRO, who spoke to the children about the roles and responsibilities of a scientist. This inspiring talk sparked enthusiasm among the children, many of whom expressed a desire to embark on a trip to the moon!

We now look forward to preparing for our new theme, "How We Express Ourselves"; we anticipate an engaging and enriching experience as we delve into this theme. Please stay tuned for further updates!







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### Technopark Campus

#### KG1 THEME CULMINATION

At KG1 Technopark, the children participated in a theme culmination for "How We Express Ourselves." They practised the story of "The Three Little Pigs," selecting their own characters. During the culmination, they performed confidently and showcased their efforts. The children had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed the experience, bringing the story to life in a fun and engaging way.



#### KG2 THEME CULMINATION

On Thursday 7th November, KG2 Technopark proudly presented the Theme 2 culmination through an inspiring Community Helpers Costume Parade. Our young stars dressed as doctors, firefighters, teachers and more, confidently sharing each helper's role, responsibilities, and the impact they have on our community. The celebration reached its peak with cheerful songs of appreciation, honouring these everyday heroes. Heartfelt thanks go to our wonderful parents for their time and creativity in preparing the costumes and to our dedicated teachers whose efforts made this event an unforgettable success!







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### Sasthamangalam Campus

### KG2 THEME-2 CULMINATION AT TRINS SASTHAMANGALAM CAMPUS

On Thursday, 7th November, the KG2 team of TRINS Sasthamangalam campus culminated Theme 2 with an engaging event centred around the exploration of "Community Helpers." The learning journey included a visit to the fire station and interactions with professionals like doctors and police officers who visited the campus, sparking curiosity and fostering a deeper understanding of these roles. For the grand finale, each student dressed up as their favourite community helper and confidently presented a few words on the responsibilities of their chosen profession in front of proud parents, who were joined by Ms Rensy and Mr Hillebrand. A heartfelt thank you to Ms. Swapna and the KG2 parents for their dedication and support, which contributed to the children's successful and confident presentations.







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### COLLABORATIVE PLANNING MEETING FOR KG2 THEME-3

On Thursday, 7th November, the KG2 parents and homeroom teachers gathered for a collaborative meeting to plan the upcoming Theme 3, How We Express Ourselves. A warm thank you to the dedicated KG2 parents for taking the time to engage in these productive discussions and for their meaningful contributions. They volunteered to support story exploration through various art forms, and offered to help find locations for field visits, as well as arrange guest speakers who can enrich the children's understanding. We look forward to a dynamic and inspiring learning journey ahead!







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### Sasthamangalam Campus

### ELC PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSION: INTEGRATING ART IN THE PRESCHOOL CURRICULUM

As part of the Early Learning Centre (ELC) Professional Development series, Mr. Sujith, the Art Facilitator of PYP, led an inspiring session on Integrating Art in the Preschool Curriculum, on Saturday, 2nd November at our TRINS ELC Technopark Campus. This enriching experience provided PK1 and PK2 teachers with fresh insights into making art a dynamic part of early childhood education, encouraging them to move beyond traditional approaches.



### KG1 THEME-2 CULMINATION: "WE CAN EXPRESS OUR IMAGINATIONS IN MANY WAYS"

The KG1 team celebrated the culmination of Theme 2 on Friday 8th November, which focused on the idea that "We can express our imaginations in many ways." Through this theme, children explored both verbal and non-verbal forms of expression, allowing their creativity to flourish through visual arts, dance, music and drama. As a highlight of the culmination, the young learners put on an adorable performance of the story "Chicken Little". It was a memorable display of their growth, creativity, and courage!







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### Round Square

The Round Square annual meeting for the South Asia and the Gulf region was held in Muscat on 8th and 9th November, hosted by the Indian School Al Ghubra. Ms Sapnu George, Executive Director, Ms Sangeetha S., TRINS Round Square Representative, and Mr Richard Hillebrand, Director of Academics and Principal, attended. The Annual Regional Meeting is an opportunity to share good practice through workshops and presentations, as well as to hear from Ms Rachael Westgarth, Round Square Chief Executive. Ms Sangeetha led one of the workshops, sharing the TRINS experience of Round Square in a session entitled, 'In-school IDEALS', reflecting the embedding of Round Square within the school ethos.



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Five students from the PYP represented TRINS in the Round Square Virtual Show and Tell session on Tuesday, 5th November: Joseph John, Aadith Chandru A, Shreya Arun Krishna, Myra Amritha Taneja of Grade 5 and Madhura M Rao of Grade 4. The topic for the presentation was "Everyday heroes at our school"; this gave an opportunity to think about the different hands that work together to make our school function and make it a place that they love to come back to everyday. The script they prepared showed how much they valued the contributions of every member of the school community.

There were around 15 schools from different parts of the world. We had schools from the USA, UK, Brazil, South Africa, Canada, South America, and India.







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### Staff Achievements

#### Ms. Newshee Thahir received the certificate as the International Coordinator for the GSA programme.









Ms. Amritha Renganath attended an online CRE (Continuing Rehabilitation Education) programme on Friday, 1st November 2024, titled "Role of Early Intervention Centre for Detection. Identification and Management".

Ms. Anuradha's paper on 'Metacognition and Mathematics' has been selected for presentation in the National conference on Mathematical Education conducted by Department of Education in Science and Mathematics, National Council of Educational Research and Training. She will be presenting the paper online in January.

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Ms. Anuradha



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### Staff Profiles



Ms. Jisha Ravi

With 18 years in teaching and leading, Ms. Jisha is a positive force and seasoned educator skilled in curriculum development, team management, and student guidance. As a Head of Department in her previous school she has successfully fostered a collaborative environment and driven academic excellence, with students achieving centum as well.



Ms. Sunitha S

With over 16 years of teaching and leadership experience in the UAE and India, Ms.Sunitha, post-graduate of Geography, has recently moved from the HoD Humanities role to the Head of Middle School. A methodical and mature leader, she embraces her experience of having worked with students from varied cultural backgrounds and diverse learning needs, by overseeing curriculum development to support student academic growth, and building their life skills - curiosity, critical thinking, and a sense of global responsibility, to equip them for a rapidly changing world.





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Mr. Sreekumar B. L.

Mr. Sreekumar B.L, Group Head of Accounts, Over the last 23 years with the TRINS Group, he has built us a strong foundation in finance and accounting.

Having completed his CA Articleship with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, he has four years of experience in auditing and more than 20 years in the finance and accounting sectors, bringing a wealth of knowledge and expertise to his role. With dedication and a sharp eye for detail, he oversees the Group's financial activities ensuring accuracy and efficiency in all accounting processes.

Driven by his steadfast passion and fierce loyalty to the Group, he consistently strives to contribute to the organisation's ongoing growth and success.







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### Upcoming Events & Holidays



- 13th November 2024 EY Children's Day Celebration
- 14th November 2024 Children's Day Special Assembly
- 15th November 2024 EE Orientation Grade 11 DP
- 18th November 2024 Whole School Assembly
- 20th November 2024 EY Literature Fest 4
- 21st November 2024 Open House DP
- 28th November 2024 Grade 10 To 11
  Orientation Taster lessons & Parent Orientation
- 29th November 2024 EY & ELC Sports Day







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