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Principal's message



The two productions on Saturday, 'Madagascar' - the EY Broadway - and 'Barbie' - the PYP Broadway, brought a special energy to the Travancore International Convention Centre. It was lovely to see our youngest students from the three TRINS campuses performing with such confidence. The adaptation of the Madagascar story was both colourful and thoughtful in the story it told.

When our PYP students took to the stage in the evening, they brought creativity and composure to their performances. The

intertwined stories that Barbie, Ken and their friends experienced highlighted teamwork, forgiveness and balance brought new dimensions to familiar characters. Spending time with these students both before and after the performance, I know how much each child has gained from their involvement. Right through from the practices each scene required to the exhilaration of performing before an audience with lights, costume and music, all aspects of Broadway have added to the learning accomplished this year.

I always acknowledge the commitment of the teachers involved in our events, but also would highlight how the non-teaching staff play an essential role in making events a success. As parents, you will know how significant the part teachers play in enabling children to achieve so much. I would also like to thank all the parents of our EY and PYP students. To have an enthusiastic audience adds a vital dimension to any performance. More than this, your support throughout the creation of these two productions has been invaluable.

Mr. Richard Hillebrand





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TRINS BROADWAY

The much-awaited **TRINS Broadway** was a grand celebration of talent, creativity, and compassion! Held on March 22nd at Greenfield Stadium, Trivandrum, the event was nothing short of magical, with our young stars from Early Years (EY) and Primary Years Programme (PYP) lighting up the stage.

EY'S MADAGASCAR

The Early Years Broadway, themed **Madagascar**, was a spectacular showcase where our young performers transported the audience to the wild and vibrant world of the jungle. With parents cheering them on, their enthusiasm and energy were truly infectious!

The event was inaugurated with an inspiring speech by our Executive Director, **Ms. Sapnu George**, Principal, **Mr. Richard Hillebrand**, and **Sister Sharmila**, setting the perfect tone for the day.

Following the inauguration, we proudly presented a charity cheque of ₹1,16,000 to Sathyanwesna Charitable Society. The cheque handover took place in the esteemed presence of our Chairman and Founder, Mr. George M. Thomas, Ms. Mary George, Principal, Mr. Richard Hillebrand, and Executive Director, Ms. Sapnu George, and was received by Sister Sharmila.







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PYP'S BROADWAY:DAZZLING BARBIE

The PYP students, who took the audience on a whimsical journey with the **Barbie-themed Broadway**. From dazzling performances to captivating storytelling, the young artists owned the stage, leaving the audience spellbound. Before the performances began, the school presented a **charity cheque of ₹2,62,300 to Asha Bhavan, Poojappura**, once again in the esteemed presence of **Mr. George M. Thomas, Ms. Mary George, Mr. Richard Hillebrand**, and **Ms. Sapnu George**, and received by **Sister Sharmila**.

Broadway at TRINS isn't just about theatre—it's about creating unforgettable experiences, fostering confidence in our students, and making a meaningful difference in society. A huge round of applause to our talented performers, dedicated teachers, and supportive parents for making this event a spectacular success!







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SOCIAL SERVICE @ TRINS

As part of the government school upgradation initiative, TRINS has sponsored electronic equipment for four government schools:

- Pattathil LPS Radio speaker
- Manalakkam LPS HP Computer
- Andoor LPS HP Printer
- Kayilothukonam LPS Canon Printer

Student representatives from Grade 11DP and Grade 8 personally visited these schools on Thursday, 20th March, to deliver the items to the school community. The funds for these sponsorships were raised through various events organised by Grade 11 students at TRINS, including the Cake Fest held in December.







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CLUB DAY

The Club sessions came to a close for the academic year 2024-'25 with the Club Day held on 19th March. The nineteen clubs showcased their skills in separate assemblies. Certificates for best attendance, outstanding performances and contributions for the students of the Music, Skating, Dance and Nature clubs were distributed. **Kim Juwon** and **Zara** presented a report of the various activities of the Nature Club; **Bhavya** read the Dance Club.report.

The Best Club Leader awards went to **Niranjan Viswambaran Nair** of the Coding Club, **Kevin George** of the Robotics Club and **Rittvik Saran** of the Cookery Club. **Mr. Vishak C** was appreciated for initiating the Skating Club. **Mr. Richard Hillebrand** gave away the special awards. The assembly was made vibrant by the performances of the D&D Club and the Dance Clubs



THEME 6: "HOW WE EXPRESS OURSELVES"

Grade 3 As part of Theme 6 - How We Express Ourselves, our Grade 3 students have been actively inquiring into different types of media. To bring their learning to life, they explored print media by creating posters to promote the upcoming PYP Broadway. They used their handmade posters to encourage the Middle School and Senior School students to attend the show. Through this, they gained firsthand insight into how media can influence an audience.

POSTER.





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THEME: "WHO WE ARE"

As part of the ongoing theme "Who We Are," focusing on the central idea "We explore and discover the world around us through our senses," Grade 4 students visited NISH on Friday, 14th March. The visit provided an enriching opportunity for students to develop empathy and gain a deeper understanding of how technology aids individuals with special challenges. Ms. Arya Chand, Senior Lecturer, interacted with the students and applauded the efforts taken by TRINS to inculcate scientific temper in its students and mould them into confident and curious learners







FRENCH COLLABORATION

Online Collaboration, 20th March. Grade 8 French students participated in an online collaboration with **Cochin International School**. The session was a great success, enhancing students' language skills and cultural exchange.

Special thanks to **Ms. Devika Sahni** (French teacher at Cochin International), **Mr. Sachin** (IT support for camera and settings) and **Mr. Kiran** (for capturing photos and videos)









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PAINTING SEN DEPARTMENT

Krittika (8B) and **her mother** are painting the art therapy mural for the SEN Department. Krittika created this passive art therapy mural for her Personal Project. Passive Art Therapy focuses on the appreciation and analysis of pre-existing artworks, using art as a stimulus for conversation and reflection, but also relaxation and meditation.





SEN DEPARTMENT

Ms. Girija D.N, MS/HS SEN Coordinator, TRINS, visited Cochin International School as part of the initiative to strengthen the Cochin SEN Department. During her visit, she conducted discussions with special educators, met with PYP, MS, and Cambridge coordinators, and facilitated an open discussion with Middle School teachers. She also observed inclusive and IEP classes, addressed queries, and provided suggestions for further development.









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Student Achievements

Avijith Nair (Grade 7) achieved first place for the school entrants in the American Mathematics Competition.



Avjith Nair

Nivedita Nair (Grade 8) had her short film on the theme of autism screened on Sunday 23rd March as part of the **CADRE International Filmlet Festival on Autism 2025**, to be held at Lulu Mall







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Partnering for Student Wellbeing

This article addresses the matter of examination-related stress experienced by students. It is imperative to cultivate a balanced perspective, prioritising effective preparation over undue anxiety. Parents are advised to facilitate the development of sound study methodologies and promote holistic well-being, encompassing adequate rest, nutritional sustenance, and physical activity. While academic attainment is acknowledged, emphasis should be placed on the student's diligent application of effort, rather than the singular focus on outcomes. Furthermore, the provision of a tranquil home environment is considered essential, coupled with the clear communication of parental support, irrespective of examination results.

It is recommended that parents adopt a gentle yet assertive approach. Encouragement of disciplined study habits should be coupled with a measured perspective, ensuring that examinations do not become the sole determinant of the student's sense of value. Trust in the student's capabilities must be balanced with a realistic outlook. Thus, a judicious combination of supportive encouragement and consistent guidance is advocated.



Parental Guidance During Exam Periods





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Upcoming Events & Holidays

Holidays

- 31st March Ramadan (Tentative Subject to Moon Sighting)
- 14th April Ambedkar Jayanthi & Vishu
- 17th April Maundy Thursday
- 18th April Good Friday
- 20th April Easter



- 27th March EY Student Led Conference
- 04th April PYP X
- 04th April Student Led Conference (PYP Main School & Technopark)
- 10th April Student Council Investiture Assembly (Morning)
- 10th April PYP Graduation
- 11th April Grade 12 Graduation









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