

Principal's message



This is the final Trins on Tuesday of the 2024/25 academic year. It is appropriate that the focus is our graduating Grade 12 students, young learners who are reaching the end of their schooling at Trivandrum International School and looking forward to the next stage in their particular life journeys. First there are the board exams, Cambridge International A-levels or the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, and I wish each student good luck over the next few weeks. I know that they are well-prepared for writing the examinations, and also that they are well-prepared for moving into higher education. There is a particular sense of fulfilment that comes from seeing Grade 12 students preparing to make that step from school to the rest of their lives. They have reached this stage through their own efforts, but also through the commitment of teachers throughout their time at the school. At the Graduation, the warm words of appreciation for teachers was a constant theme. I am also conscious of the vital part that parents play in the all-round development of our students: parents trust the school when we provide a breadth of challenges and activities; they trust and support their children in academics and in so much more. The partnership with parents is fundamental to the success our students enjoy.

The ethos of the school emanates from the school management and I am always appreciative of the active promotion of the school's vision that is evident in the engagement that Mr. George M. Thomas and Ms. Sapnu George have with the school. This is my final Principal's Message as I step down from this position. Being Principal of Trivandrum International School has been a tremendous privilege, primarily due to the people I have worked with - my teacher colleagues, the non-teaching staff and all the Trins students. The Trins parent community has been an integral part of the experience and helped me to reflect on how the school continues to develop. Knowing the school management, the teachers and non-teaching staff, and knowing the families that have chosen Trins as their school, I am confident that I can enjoy watching the further growth of the school as a centre of high quality education.

Mr. Richard Hillebrand

Events Over

GRADE 12 GRADUATION DAY

Forty two of our **Grade 12** graduating **batch of 2025** gathered with their parents and teachers at the Asian School of Business on 11th April to mark the conclusion of their days as students of **Trivandrum International School**. Some of the students have been with the school since pre-KG, and others have joined along the way, all the way to those who joined in **Grade 11**. Each of them spoke of their time at the school: their friends, their accomplishments, those particular memories unique to each. Graduation is always an occasion of celebrating achievement, but also of the recognition that this is a time to say farewell - for the time being. **Mili Savan**, Best Outgoing Student from 12A2, and **Adithya Biju**, Best Outgoing Student from 12DP, gave valedictory addresses that spoke of the rich experiences students have at Trins, the gaining of confidence and agency, the importance of strong relationships with teachers.

Mrs. Mary George and **Ms. Sapnu George** spoke to wish the graduating students well as they moved forward from the school to new opportunities. **Mr. Richard Hillebrand** spoke of the appreciation the school community has for all that this batch has contributed to the school.

Thank you to the team which organised the evening, from the formal photographs at the beginning, through the ceremony itself to dinner and the more informal photographs at the end. The evening captured the significance of this milestone, as well as the mixed emotions of the moment.



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UNIVERSITY OFFERS RECEIVED

Janaki S		NUS IRELAND
Arjun Divakar		ISDF
Arundhathy R Menon		University Of Brighton University Of Herfordshire Sheffield University Liverpool University Queens University Belfast
Ananya Nambisan		Christ University
Pratheeksha Prasanth		National Law University
Neeraj Binoy		University of Queensland University of Western Australia Curtin university
Jonathan Mathew		OP Jindal Global University Christ University

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Bianka Karthikeyan		Christ University
Sherin Mary Rajesh		ESMOD, France. Stockholm School of Economics
Ajitha Rajakantham D		University College London University of Strathclyde University of Birmingham The University of Sheffield University of Nottingham
Antara Kunal Kothari		Manchester University University Of St Andrew's
Aman Nivin		Queen Mary University of London
Rishi Neelanath		SRM University

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Joshua George Chandy		Azim Premji University Ashoka University
Jesurun Daniel		NYU
Niranjan Harish		University Of Southampton - Malaysia campus
Vaidehi Nair		STEP Program by The Oberoi Hotels
Mili Savan		University College London King's College London Durham University University of Southampton Sheffield University
Abraham Koshy		Manipal university
Aditya Biju		Manchester University University Of Warwick

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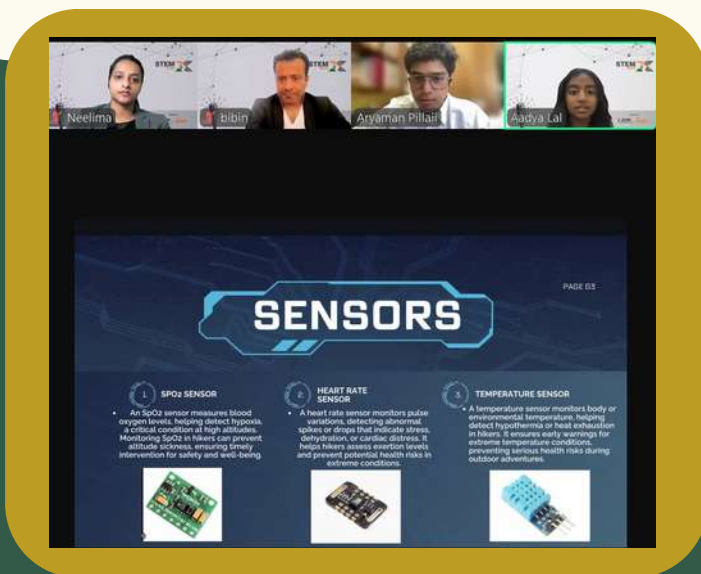
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Johnathan Chacko Stephen		Manipal University
Jacob Thannekunnel Mathew		Birmingham University University Of Edinburgh Manchester University
Vignesh Kalahasthi		SRM
Anna Mariyam Pavanathara		University of Bristol University of Birmingham University of Southampton and University of Hong Kong University College London University of Manchester

Student Achievements

STEM GLOBAL SUMMIT

Aryaman and **Aadya** of Grade 8 and **Niranjan** and **Rahul** of Grade 9IG took part in the online round of the **STEM Global Summit** on 12th April. Both teams were commended by the judges and have qualified for the final round which takes place in Mumbai on 26th April. Good luck to all! Thank you to **Ms. Divya Mohan** for coordinating the entries.



SPANISH OLYMPIAD

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Spanish Olympiad

A special round of applause to those placed as follows in Round 1

Avanzado:

1st position - **Yuvankumar S**

Intermediate:

1st position - **Anthony Marian Joseph & Priyanka Kalahasthi;**

2nd position - **Rayaan Sumood & Sofia Zara Sameer;**

3rd position - **Venika AJ**

Basic:

1st position- **Chilanka Kartha, Keertana Divakar & Nivedita Uma Nair;**

2nd position - **Aryaman Pillai;**

3rd position - **Shriya Nair & Rahul**

Student Achievements

TYE

Students from TRINS have consistently participated in **TiE Kerala Young Entrepreneurs (TYE)**, setting a benchmark for future teams with their dedication and creativity. TYE is a business pitching competition organized by TiE Kerala to foster entrepreneurship among school students in Grades 9 to 12. This state-level event is held annually and culminates in the Global Finals in Boston, USA.

This year, 22 teams showcased their ideas during a mock competition held on 12th April, in front of a panel of judges, including five teams from TRINS. Twelve teams were selected for the finals, including Team Breezifier from TRINS. The team includes **Rittviksaran, Aryan Sarath Chandran, Anson Solomon, Faiz Shibu, Niranjan Lotus, and Aryav Singh** from Grade 11 DP.

We wish the students all the very best for the finals, scheduled to be held on Saturday, 26th April, at the Kerala Startup Mission Hall, Kochi. Thank you to **Ms. Ambili Balan** for coordinating the entries.



END OF TERM 6 & 7 (GRADE 8 MOVING TO GRADE 9)

This week, students who have been in Grade 8 for the past academic year have been introduced to the Cambridge IGCSE courses that they will be studying in Grades 9 and 10. All students will be doing English Language and Mathematics, and then six other subjects that they have chosen from the fifteen IGCSE subjects the school offers. This week has been important for scene-setting and helping students look forward to the new academic year.



Upcoming Events

Events

- **25th April** - PTM Grade 9
- **20th June** - Parent Orientation Grade 1 To Grade 5
- **21st June** - Parent Orientation ELC, EY, Grades 6-10
- **23rd June** - School reopens - ELC, EY, PYP, Grades 6/10/12

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