



VIDYA VANAM NEWSLETTER

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Vidya Vanam introduced Bharat Scouts and Guides in the AY 2025-26.
- Vidya Vanam conducted a three-day teachers' workshop in June.
- The new academic year began on June 9.
- Middle and Senior school students visited an inter-school science expo at KPR College of Arts Science and Research, Coimbatore.
- Vidya Vanam celebrated the 79th Independence Day on August 15 with students and teachers.
- Vidya Vanam conducted its 18th Sports Day. The chief guest, Gohul Moorthi, Physical Director, Pollachi College of Arts and Science, inaugurated the meet.
- Vidya Vanam celebrated its Junior School and Senior School Annual Days in September.

MAY



- With a view to introducing Scouts and Guides in the 2025-2026 academic year, four teachers – Nithya Y., Sajeela J., Anushya B., and Yashodha D. – underwent training at the State Training Centre in Coonoor for a week each.



- On May 22, 12 students participated in a programme to commemorate International Day of Biodiversity 2025, organised by Care Earth Chennai Trust in association with the Tamil Nadu Forest Department. The theme was “Harmony with Nature and Sustainable Development”. The students performed songs and dances of the Irulas and also showcased the musical instruments from their community.

JUNE



- **Vidya Vanam conducted a Faculty Development Programme before the beginning of the new academic year. Teaching English through Drama and Poetry was conducted by Mythri Surendra from Mallya Aditi International School, Bengaluru; Innovative Practices in Middle School Science by Indira Vijaysimha, Poorna Learning Centre, Bengaluru; and Personality Development and SEL by Mirza Johanzeb Beg, Kumaraguru College of Liberal Arts, Coimbatore. Apart from Vidya Vanam's teachers, others from Vedavalli Vidyalaya, Ranipet and Walajapet; Payir Trust, Tiruchi; and Vidya Peetam, Sholinghur, participated.**



- On June 25, students from classes 5, 7, 9 and 12 participated in the 46th Coimbatore Sahodaya Creative Writing Competition held at Vedanta Academy Senior Secondary School, Coimbatore.

JULY



- On July 2, the school conducted a meeting to inform the parents about the Bharat Scouts and Guides programme at Vidya Vanam for students from Classes 1 to 9. After a positive response from the parents, the classes were begun on July 12.
- On July 12, students from Classes 5 to 10 took part in the 46th CBESSC Poster Making Competition held at KG International School, Coimbatore.



- On July 19, students from classes 3, 4, 5 and 7 participated in the 46th CBESSC Inter-School Craft Competition for Boys held at Vishwankar Public School, Coimbatore.
- On July 23, students from Classes 6, 7, and 8 participated in Layanritya'25, an inter-school dance competition conducted by PSBB Millennium School, Coimbatore.



- The school's Under-14 football team went into the second round of the 46th CBESSC Inter-School Boys 5A side football tournament conducted at Vivekam Senior Secondary School, Coimbatore.
- On July 30, Dr. Ramachandran and Mr. Gautham, supporters of Vidya Vanam, visited the school.

AUGUST



- On August 8, students and teachers celebrated Van Mahotsav. Mango saplings were taken in a procession accompanied by dance and music and finally planted in the school campus. Children also took out a rally to create awareness about the importance of trees and forests in the environment.



- On August 9, students from Class 6, 7, 8, 9 and 11 visited IGNITIA'25, an Inter-School Science Expo hosted by KPR College of Arts Science and Research, Coimbatore. It was a platform for students to witness creativity and scientific thinking in action.



- On August 12, Meenambika Menon, Principal; Archana, Vice-Principal; and G. Mani, Correspondent, ELGI School, Coimbatore, visited Vidya Vanam and observed our teaching methodology.
- Students and staff of Vidya Vanam celebrated 79th Independence Day on August 15. Prema Rangachary, Director, hoisted the flag. The students and teachers sang patriotic songs and the National Anthem.



- The school celebrated its 18th Sports Day on August 22. Gohul Moorthi, Physical Director, Pollachi College of Arts and Science, was the chief guest and gave away the medals and certificates to the students.



- **On August 30, Bharat Scouts and Guides Investiture ceremony was conducted for the Junior School.**

SEPTEMBER



- On September 4, students and teachers celebrated Onam by decorating classrooms with pookolams (flower decorations on the floor). The school kitchen served a special Onasadya (festive meal) for lunch.
- On September 6, Dr. Sreeja from the Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History (SACON) conducted a programme for students of Classes 9, 11 and 12 on the importance of wetland habitats for birds like the spot-billed pelican.



- On September 12, Junior School Annual Day was celebrated. The students performed various dances from India and other countries, a skit and a play in Tamil, and a musical play in English. Sairam, Headmaster of the Government School, Anaikatti, was the chief guest.



- On September 15, Senior School Annual Day was celebrated. Chinmayi Sripada, singer and voice actor, was the chief guest. Meenambika Menon, Principal of ELGI School, was the Guest of Honour. The students performed Bharatanatyam, Bhangra, Paraiyattam, a Sri Lankan dance, a song from Zambia, an English play based on Harper Lee's To Kill A Mockingbird, a mime on the dangers of mobile phone overuse, a humorous Tamil skit and a Tamil play, Ravanakaviyam, on the self-respect movement of Tamil Nadu.



- **Zoo Outreach Organisation, a Coimbatore-based NGO working on conservation, launched their ocean literacy programme with a workshop for teachers.**
- **The school closed from September 24 to October 5.**