GTA Vidhya Mandir, 14 Annual Day – Reflexionz 2K23. Annual Report

Greetings to everyone present at this esteemed gathering.

It is an honour to stand before you today at REFLEXIONZ 2k23 the 14th Annual Day Celebration of GTA Vidhya Mandir, based on the theme – **Vasudeva Kudumbakam** and to provide you with a visual update on all that has transpired since we met last year.

A special welcome to our chief guest, Mrs. Shyamala Jayaprakash, and our Guest of Honour, Mr. Udhan Kumar Chordia. At the outset, let me seek the blessings of our founder, Late Sri. Sanghavi Kantilal Doshi, a visionary leader who established this institution with the aim of providing education that goes beyond the classroom. We are led by our Secretary and Correspondent, Mr. Bharat Kanti Doshi, and our esteemed trustee members. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to Mr. Karthikeyan, Principal of GTVM, the School Management Committee members, PTA President Ms. Rajeshwari, PTA Secretary Ms. Mythili, and all PTA members. We are grateful to the teachers from our sister concerns, the devoted parents, the lovable students, and the dedicated teaching and non-teaching staff for taking the time to join us today.

This report highlights the achievements and successes of our school, but it also serves as a reminder of the importance of continuous improvement and self-reflection. We are committed to fostering an environment that nurtures young minds, encourages individual thinking, and promotes the holistic development of each child's personality

Each year, our students have made the school proud with their exceptional accomplishments, not only in academics but also in co-curricular activities. Through this presentation, I hope to shed light on our performance in academics and co-curricular activities.

We are delighted to share a glimpse of our academic year progress since we met during our last year annual day Reflexionz 2k22.

- 1. ECA Display
- 2. Pongal Carnival

- 3. Republic Day
- 4. Parenting Skill
- 5. Farewell
- 6. KG Graduation Day

Academic Excellence

Academic excellence is our top priority as educators. We believe that academic achievements reflect a student's ability to perform to their best potential by developing their intellectual skills with dedication and passion.

We are proud to share the remarkable performance of our Class 10 and 12 students in the CBSE board examination. Our school's 100% pass rate is a testament to the hard work and dedication of both students and teachers.

A strong parent-teacher partnership also plays a vital role in a child's success. When children see that a team of adults is on their side, they are more likely to succeed.

I am pleased to present to you the toppers of our school.

We as a team have put in our best foot forward to ensure that these students emerge as winners. Congratulations to each one of you students, you made us proud.

The required development in the academic process, curriculum, and publication with related activities from Kindergarten to Class 12 has beautifully transformed with the structured learning pattern.

The Parent Orientation Programs defined the process and through the Parent Teacher Association the necessary requirements of the school are well discussed and executed.

Through the art integrated music program Rhapsody and Digital learning programs such as Playablo(Gamified App) and DIYA(Coding classes), the students thinking skills are sharpened.

The school meticulously plans and schedules various programs, activities, projects, and competitive exams to ensure a seamless learning process. These initiatives include online German language courses, design thinking classes for middle school students, and skill education subjects for secondary and senior secondary students. The skill education subjects, such as Artificial Intelligence, Financial Management, Physical Education, and Marketing, are designed to equip students with practical skills for their future endeavours.

The Financial Management course for Class X is a certified program by the National Stock Exchange, Mumbai, and adheres to the CBSE framework.

In addition to traditional assessment methods, our diverse academic-related programs not only nurture students' knowledge and understanding but also instil confidence in their learning journey.

Internship

During the summer vacation, our Class 10, 11, and 12 students were encouraged to participate in an internship program, which motivated them to pursue career-oriented learning.

Spell Bee and SOF Olympiads

Our students from Class 1 to 12 regularly participate in competitive exams such as the Spell Bee International English exams and the Science Olympiad Foundation exams for English, Math, Science, Social, Computer Science, and General Knowledge subjects. Our students have achieved success at the international and zonal levels in these competitions.

Inspired to Innovate & Mathenaeum

Project-based competitions named "Inspired to Innovate" and "Mathenaeum" are held every year with increasingly complex themes to enhance students' knowledge and promote application-based learning.

Our student's current achievements are the best examples on this academic activity.

Neil Gupta of class 10 won a 15000 cash prize in the Young Scientist competition conducted by Space Kidz.

And our students Neil Gupta, Badrinadhan, Ramasamy, Shreyas and Aswath of secondary and senior secondary school are the finalist selected in young Environmental Scientist events to be held in Feb 2024 at IIT Chennai.

LSRW Skill in Languages

Various activities are conducted to develop LSRW (Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing) skills in languages not only in English but also in other languages.

English Skill development Program

Dinamalar Pattam editorial competition for Tamil

Bhagavath Geetha Chanting and Competition in Sanskrit, these activities promote multilingual learning platform at school.

Social Values through the MODEL UNITED NATIONS (MUN)

The Model United Nations (MUN) is a simulation of the United Nations where students take on the roles of diplomats from different countries to debate and negotiate on global issues. This program fosters leadership, diplomacy, and an understanding of global affairs.

Experiential Learning

To incorporate more experiential learning, unique activities were conducted across all levels. These activities included Kindergartners school tours, guest lectures , seminars, and club activities. These experiences initiated thought-provoking conceptual learning and led to improvement in students' understanding.

New Academic Scholarship Policy

TAVM is proud to announce a new academic scholarship policy for the future batches of Class 11, starting from 2024-25. This policy is designed exclusively for our GT top 5 scorers in the class 10 secondary board examination to encourage them to continue with academic excellence till their class 12.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Arts and Culture

Interschool cultural meets keep our students on their toes during the first term, and they have won several competitions. These are the list of achievers of various interschool competitions which is a vital part of student growth, and we at GTAVM believe that it leads to the overall development of an individual.

Sports

The 5s football Turf was inaugurated this year to bring more involvement in sports. Student's happiness quotient and their spirit of sportsmanship were amicable.

Our students took part in various International, national, and state-level sports events, particularly in Gymnastics, Swimming, Roller skating, Badminton, Karate, Chess, and Cricket.

This comprises of our extracurricular and after school activity.

Here are a few glimpses of our students' current commendable achievements:

- Vijaya Baskar from class 12, won the gold medal in the international Karata tournament held in Philippines.
- ii. Sanjiv Pranav, a National level swimmer from class 12, recently won a gold medal. It gives me immense pleasure to inform you that on 14th November 2023, he was honoured by our State Governor for his exceptional achievements in winning all State and National level tournaments in just three short months.
- iii. Kaushik Rosan, of class 10, a Roller Skater won consecutively at National level, State, and District tournaments.
- iv. Diya Hariprakash of class 8 represented our state and won the gold medal in gymnastics at the Nationals. I am proud to share that Diya broke the 30 years of Chennai track record in Gymnastics under the Floor Category.

School Awards

Our students have made us proud, and in return, we are demonstrating our excellence through our recent prestigious awards.

In the current academic year of 2023, we have brought pride to the GT family by achieving two awards.

The team's efforts resulted in the achievement of the following:

ISR Gold Band Award: In August 2023, we were awarded the Gold Band in the category of Outcome Based Learning by the Indian School of Ranking (ISR) a leading non-government and independent authority on institutional ranking in India.

Green Campus Programme Gold Ranking Award: We have always believed that the best way for an educational institution to give back to society is through environmental sustainability. As a result, we embarked on a Green Skills project to safeguard the environment. With great enthusiasm and dedication, the teaching and non-teaching staff, students, and parents successfully completed the project. We were awarded the Green Campus Programme Gold Ranking award, which is valid till September '26.

EVENTS AND CELEBRATION

Schools around the world mark their calendars with a diverse array of events and festivals throughout the year. These gatherings offer students a chance to delve into various cultures and traditions, while also strengthening the bonds of the school community.

Among the most significant events and celebrations observed in schools are:

Founders Day

An intra- and interschool competition based on the theme "Vintage " on account of our Founders Day Parampara 2k23" hosted by our school in the month of July and August'23.

Sports Day

The 14th annual sports meet, Olympia 2K23 held on August 20, showcased the athleticism of GTians.

GTAMUN

Over 180 delegates from various schools attended GTA MUN on September 1 and 2.

Interschool Karate Tournament

The first interschool karate tournament was held at the GT campus on October 14 and 15. Over 550 participants from four districts took part. A special mention that the Jury from Srilanka Mr. Anto Dinesh conducted this event in grand manner.

CBSE Teachers Training Program

In line with the school's philosophy of continuous improvement, our teachers regularly attend workshops and seminars organized by the school and other organizations.

Committed to staying abreast of the evolving CBSE curriculum patterns, our team actively participated in various workshops organized by CBSE. These workshops provided valuable insights into the latest curriculum updates, question paper patterns, and COE mandatory training requirements.

GT hosted teachers' training program for CBSE in collaboration with Karadi Path on October 28 at our campus.

GT Kids' Fest

This year's fest was specifically aimed at GT for interschool participation. There were activities specifically designed for kids, including art, puppet shows, puzzles and much more. There were also events conducted for parents.

Zone 6 Peripheral Cluster Sports Meet

The Zone 6 CSSC Peripheral Cluster Sports Meet was held on November 9. Over 180 students from 16 schools took part and won prizes in the badminton and 5s football tournaments.

Health and Hygiene Programs

Health and hygiene are considered essential at GT. Various health programs are conducted for the students' well-being such as

Nutritional Diet planner, Annual Medical Camp, Blood Donation camp, Mental Health, Self-Hygiene sessions.

KG Celebrations

KG programs at the school include color weeks, activity time, circle time, and Bunnys (the lower most rung of the Scouts and Guides Movement).

National Festivals

Celebrating national festivals is a source of pride for the school, and students participate with zeal and enthusiasm. Independence Day was celebrated with equal enthusiasm, with students performing to various patriotic songs. They also spoke about the importance of this day. It filled everyone with a great sense of patriotism.

Religious Festivals

Religious celebrations typically involve special lessons, activities, and performances that enhance social skills. Kindergarten programs focus on helping students develop important social skills, self-control, and cooperation.

International Yoga Day

A session on "Yoga and Mental Health" was organized on International Yoga Day on June 21. Around 200 students performed yoga at the school auditorium.

International Music Day

On the same day Our Rhapsody and Music team brought joy to students with their universal music journals celebrating the international music day.

Teacher's Day

Teacher's Day was celebrated with great excitement. Students organized a special assembly and Grade IX to XII students took the responsibility of entertaining the staff.

Diwali

Diwali was another wonderful occasion where the importance of sharing was instilled in the students. We thank the parents and students for their valuable contributions to society.

Children's Day

Our teachers hosted the Children's Day events for the students in a memorable manner.

Co-Curricular Activities

Various co-curricular activities were held to develop students physically, morally, socially, and mentally. These activities helped students hone their skills in non-academic areas and showcase their talents.

We firmly believe that the quality of one's thoughts directly influences the quality of their mind. While we have accomplished some significant milestones, there is still much more to achieve. With your constant support and encouragement, GTAVM will continue its unwavering commitment to nurturing young minds into well-rounded individuals who embody confidence, enthusiasm, and a demeanour that aligns with the high standards of this educational institution.

LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

Through the process of voting, students gained valuable experience in choosing their own leader. The Student Council of GTA Vidhya Mandir for the academic year 23-24 was duly elected.

The online voting software was developed indigenously by our student Jerome of Class XII under the guidance of the Computer Science faculty Ms. Poonguzhali, which will be the software for future elections. The Investiture Ceremony, held on June 24, was a grand and graceful affair where the office bearers for the academic year were formally bestowed with their portfolios, accompanied by their proud parents.

Special Assemblies have become an integral part of the school's culture, instilling not only moral values but also essential concepts that every child living in a society should be aware of.

Field Trips

This year, we embarked on exciting field trips to various destinations, providing our students with a perfect blend of learning and fun. These excursions offered them the opportunity to explore new places, engage with diverse environments, and gain hands-on experiences.

KG visited the Fresh today Fruit shop

Classes 1- 2- Birla Planetarium and Anna Centenary

Classes 3-5 – Egmore Museum

Classes 6- Farm Guru

Classes 7 & 8 – Yercaud Trip

Classes 9 & 10 – Vishakapatnam

Classes 11& 12 – Mysore & Coorg

Hosting and Volunteering

Middle, secondary, and senior secondary students were entrusted with the crucial tasks of hosting and volunteering for various school programs. These responsibilities not only instilled in them a sense of ownership and teamwork but also nurtured their leadership and organizational skills.

Leadership Roles

To foster an understanding of the importance of leadership and discipline, class leaders and assistant leaders were appointed from Class 1 to Class 12. This initiative empowered students to take on responsibilities, motivate their peers, and contribute positively to the school community.

Institutional Visits and Life Coach Sessions

To promote career-oriented development, students were taken on institutional visits to IIT, NITTR, Hindustan Institute of Technology, and Ramachandra University. These visits exposed them to different academic fields and career paths, broadening their horizons and inspiring them to pursue their aspirations.

Furthermore, in-house life coach session conducted by Ms. Ankita Doshi for Humanities stream students and Interact club activities were meticulously organized to nurture students' self-development. These sessions provided a supportive environment for students to explore their strengths, address challenges, and foster personal growth.

We are immensely proud of our senior staff members, Ms. Sampath Kumari, HOD Social, was bestowed with the prestigious Aacharya Mani award from Chennai Sahodhaya School Complex, and Ms. Usha Jaiganesh, Class 12 Coordinator, received the 2023 Best Teacher award from Zone 6, Peripheral Cluster, Chennai.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our visionary leaders for their unwavering support and guidance. With their leadership and the blessings of the Almighty, we remain committed to achieving excellence in all our endeavours.

In conclusion, I would like to reiterate our school's vision, encapsulated by the four I's: Innovation, Inspiration, Intensity, and Integrity. These values serve as guiding principles in our educational journey. We recognize the potential leader within each child, and through our collaborative efforts with parents, we strive to nurture and unleash their unique talents. We are proud of our

