

# CHETTINAD VIDYA MANDIR

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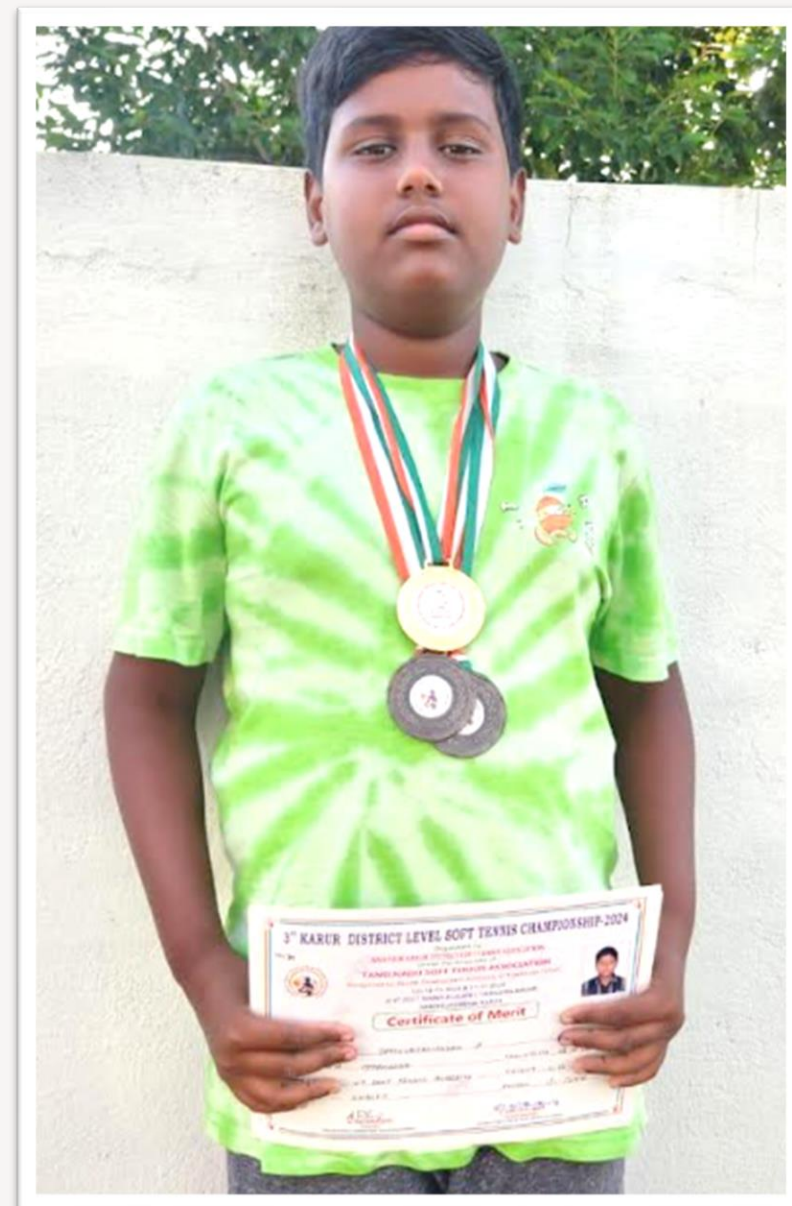
## Kovai Sahodaya Cricket Achievement

Under-17 Boys team showcased a remarkable performance in the tournament and made the Third-Place finish.



## Soft Tennis Achievement

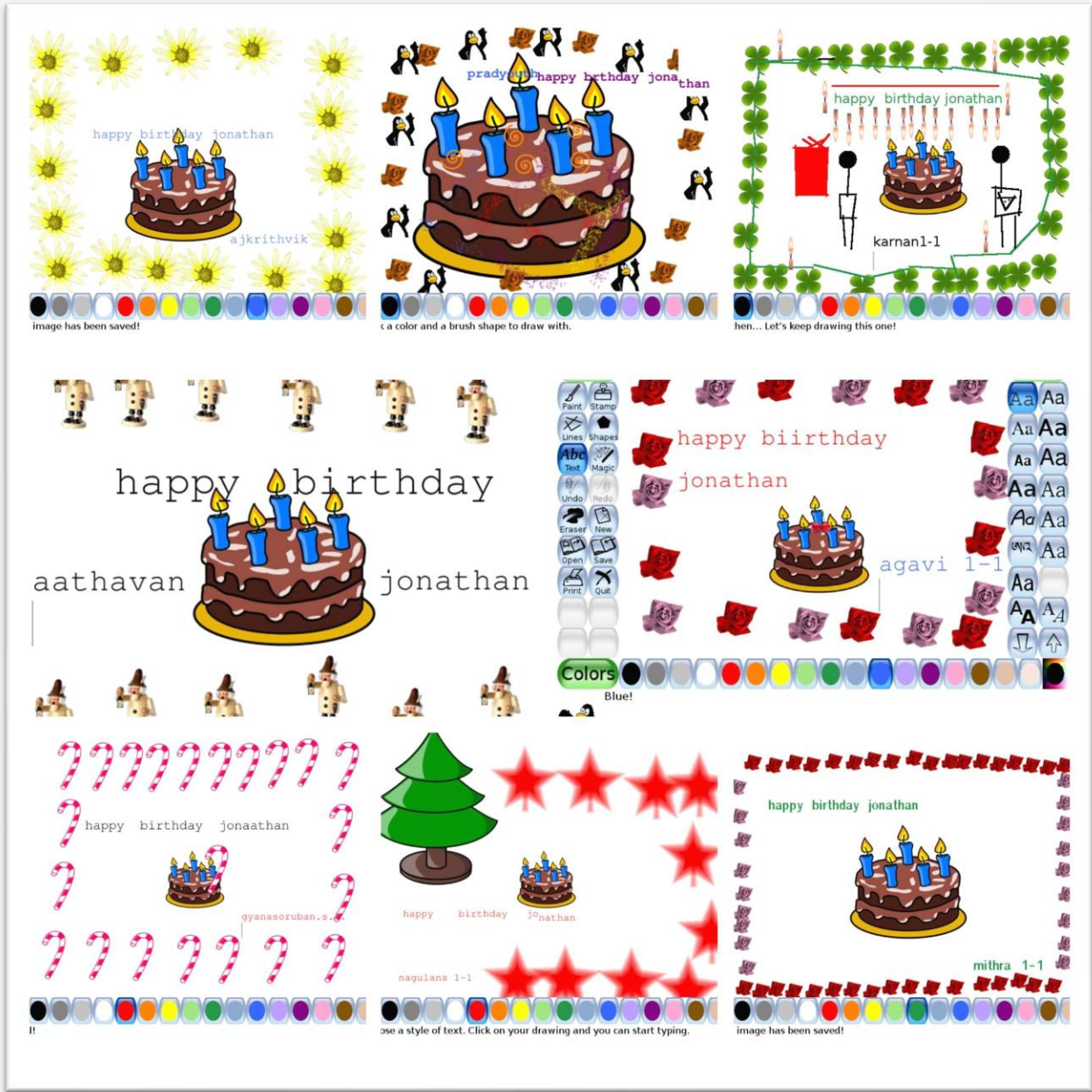
P. Sathiya Sahithyan of Grade VII won 2 Bronze and 1 Gold in district-level soft tennis matches. He has been qualified to the State Junior Level Soft Tennis tournament in Salem, scheduled to fall in December, 2024.



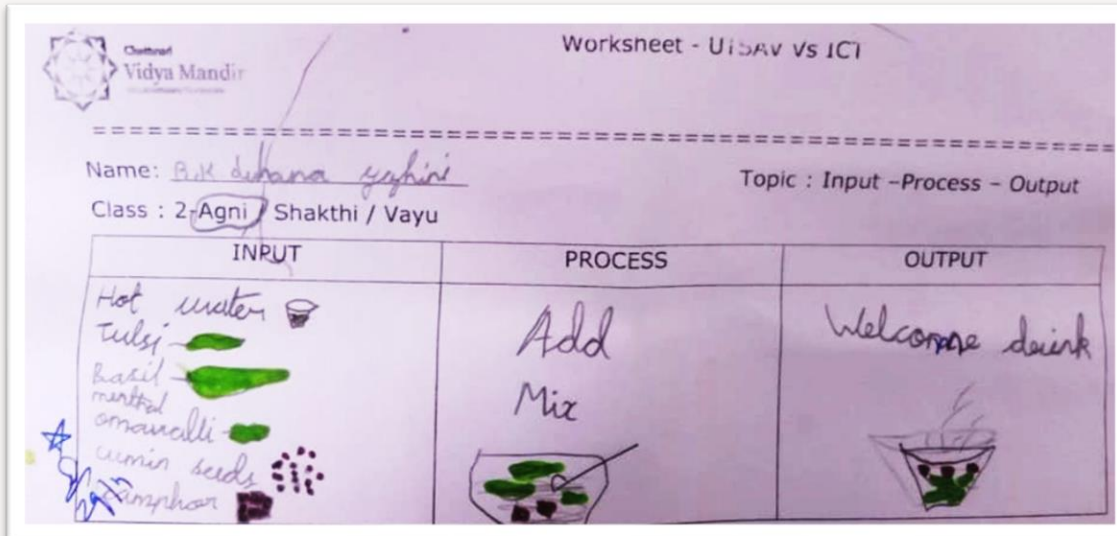
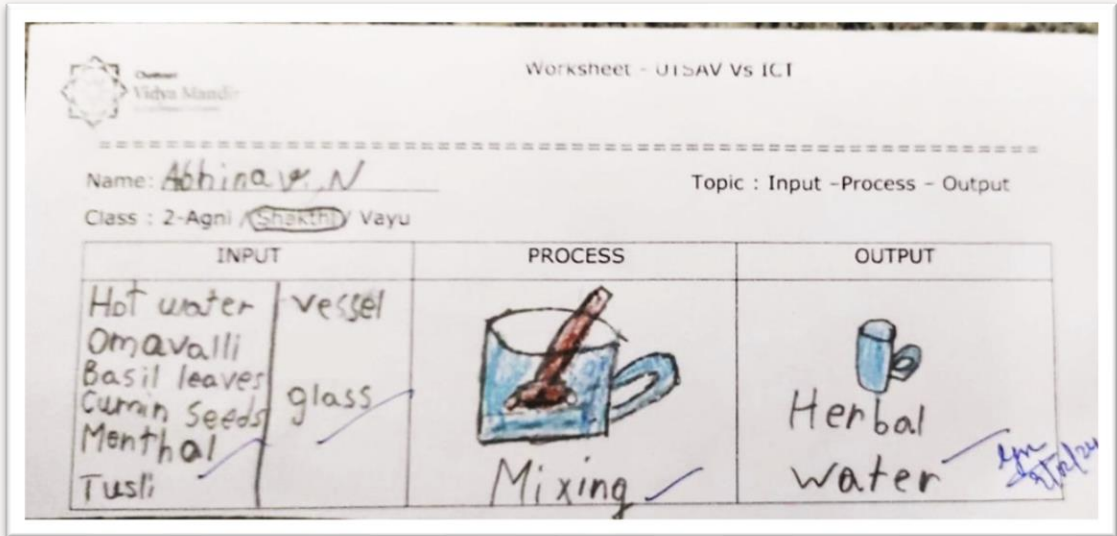


E - Card

Using Tux Paint software, learners of Grade 1 made a birthday card for their friend Jonathan Sam. Learners felt overwhelmed of seeing how their practices in class help them connect globally.



Learners of Grade 2 learned how to prepare welcome drinks using herbals during the Green Education period. After that, they finished the IPO cycle worksheet using their computer skills.





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## Land Forms

Learners of Grade 3 discussed among themselves to differentiate the landforms given in pictures. They asked questions and learned from each other. This interactive activity helped the learners to understand the complex concept.





## Armed Forces Flag Day

Learning about the role of soldiers, learners of Grade 3 used the Scribus to create gratitude cards gracing, "Armed Forces Flag Day" which is commemorated every 7th of December.



## Exploring the Properties of Air

Learners of Grade 4 took part in an engaging science project that examined the amazing characteristics of air. Learners did blow a balloon to show that air exerts force and moves it and also takes up space. Learners developed their research skills through this activity.





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## Big Buddies, Little Friends

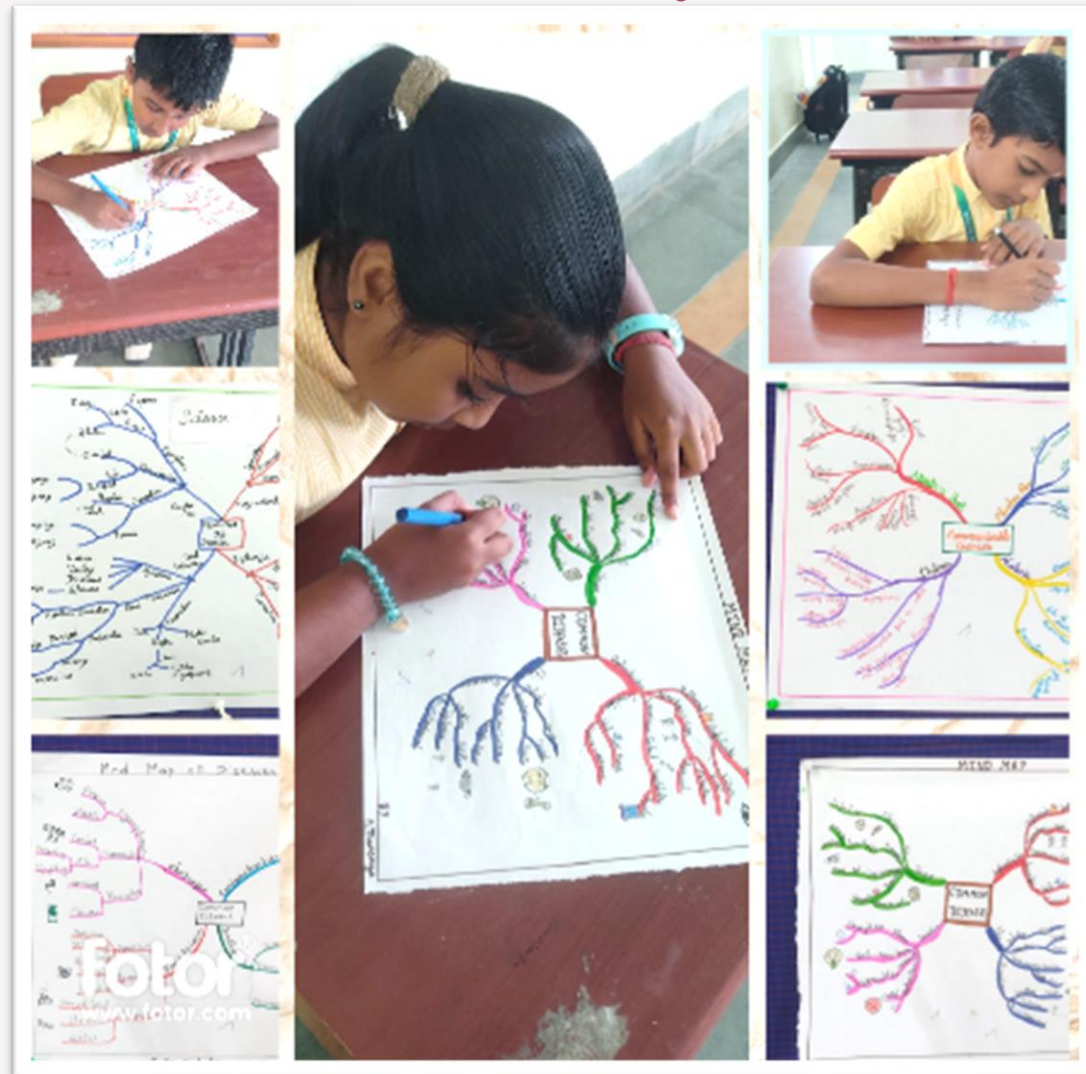
Buddy-Learning program was introduced between KG and Primary School learners. Initially, Grade 4 learners are paired with KG buddies. Big buddies assist little friends with reading, writing and various activities. Together, they engage in fun learning games, arts, and crafts. Primary School learners develop leadership skills while KG kids benefit from one-on-one attention and guidance. Grade 4 learners develop empathy and understanding about others. This is to be extended to the next level of learners too.





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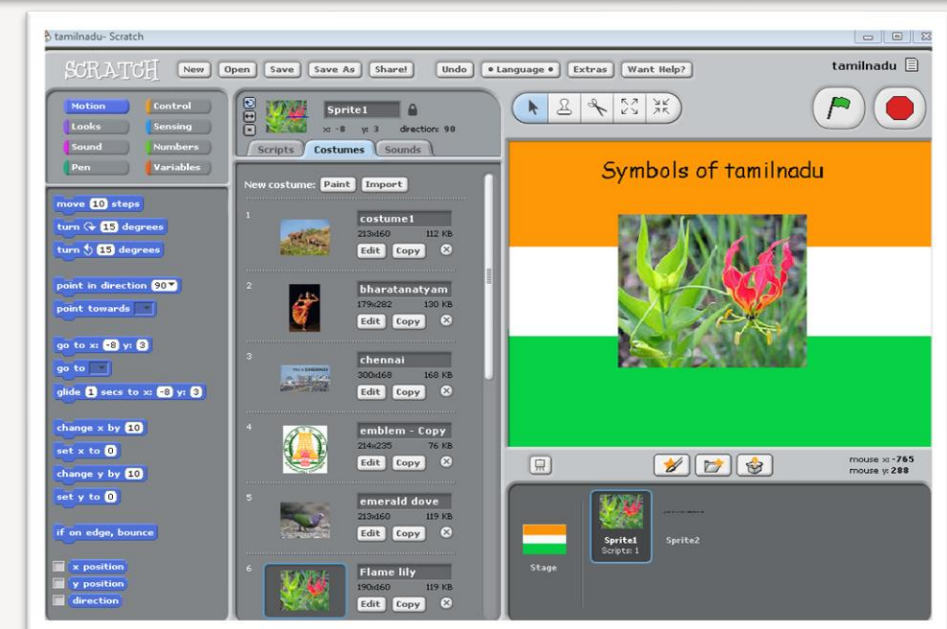
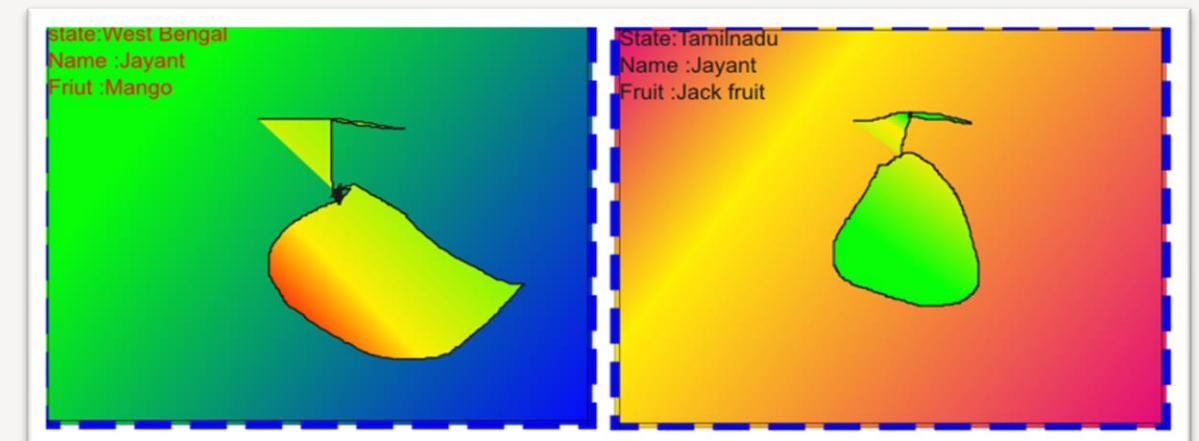
## Communicable Diseases



Mind Mapping is a helpful method that demonstrates the connections between various facts and concepts. Grade 5 learners investigated the concept of 'communicable diseases' via a mind map activity. This activity aimed to enhance creativity, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills.

## Symbols of Tamil Nadu Vs West Bengal

Learners of Grades 3, 4 and 5 learned the Tamil Nadu and West Bengal symbols. They then used their software to create cards, a PowerPoint presentation and an animation. They did this by comparing and contrasting the symbols of West Bengal and Tamil Nadu.

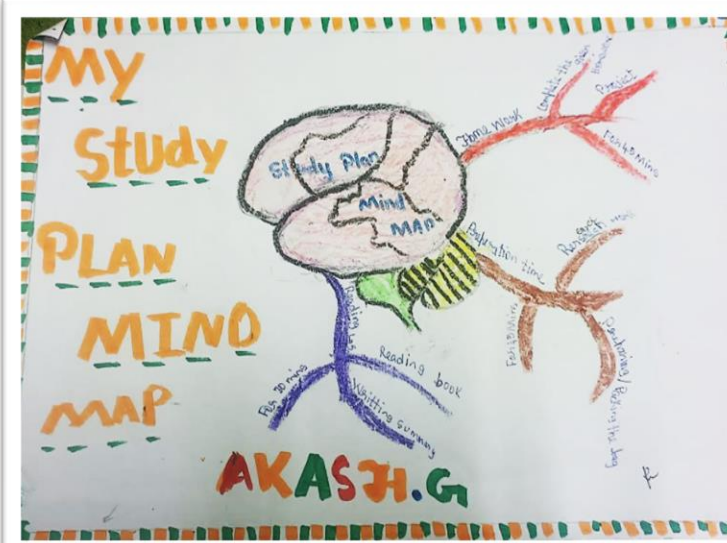
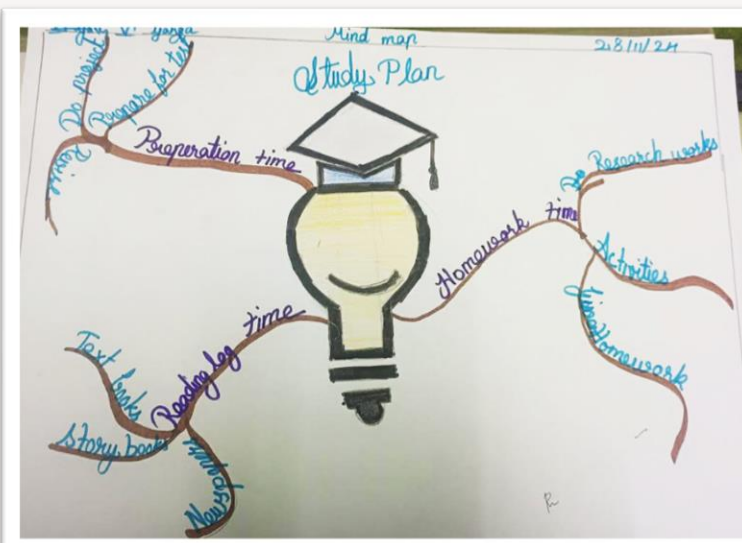
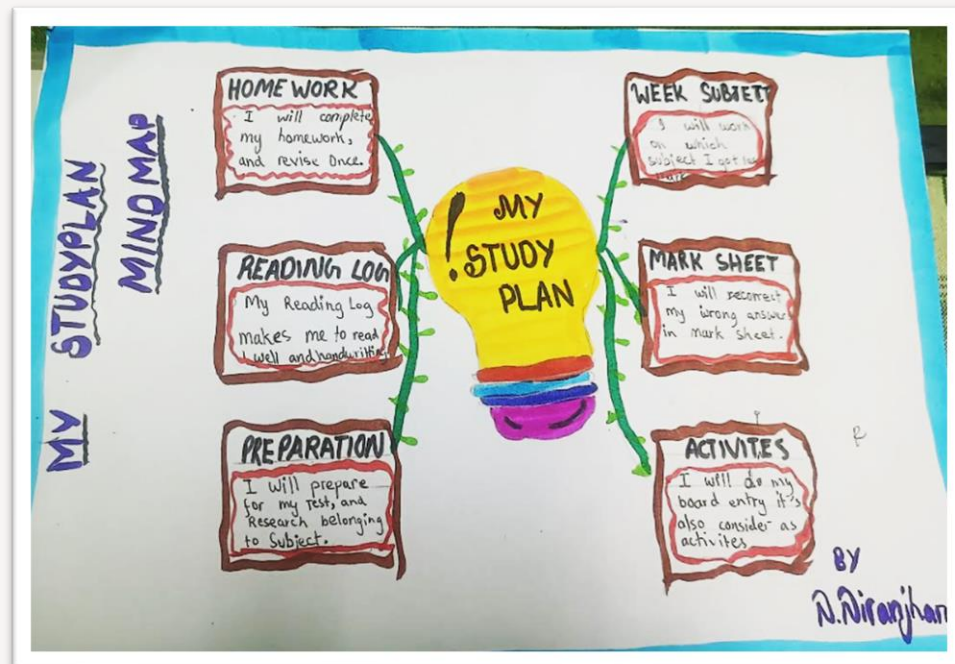




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## Effective Communication - Conglom Activity

Learners of Grade 6 came up with many ideas to frame their study time. They engaged in a mind-map activity to represent their thoughts effectively. They understood how to communicate their thoughts in an organised manner with simple words.



## Deforestation - Cause and Effect

Learners of Grade 8 listed the causes and consequences of deforestation. They created a cause-and-effect tree in which they listed the causes of deforestation as roots of the tree and the effects of deforestation as branches. The outcome of this activity was very satisfying for all the participants with a handful of learning.

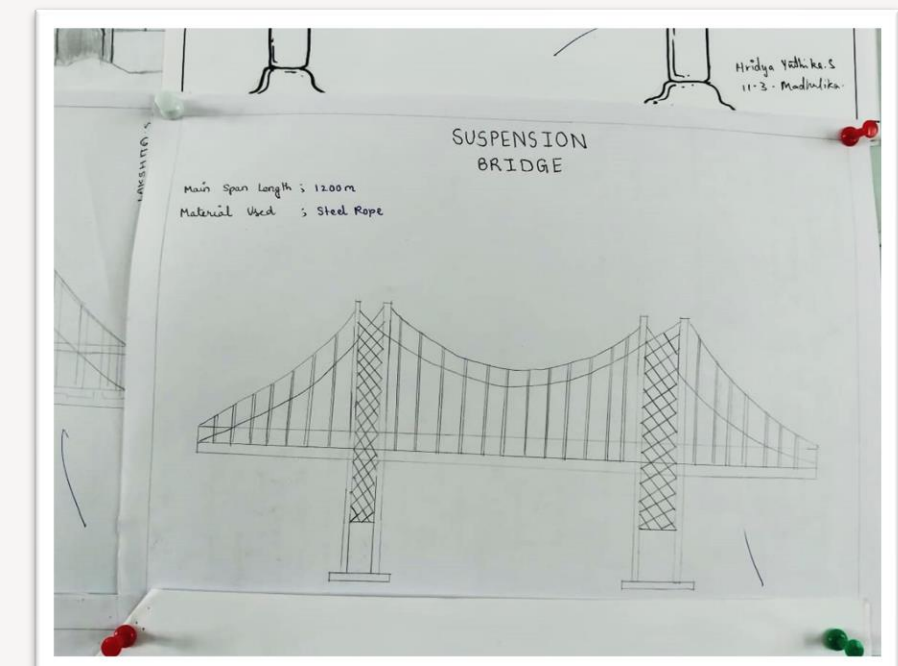
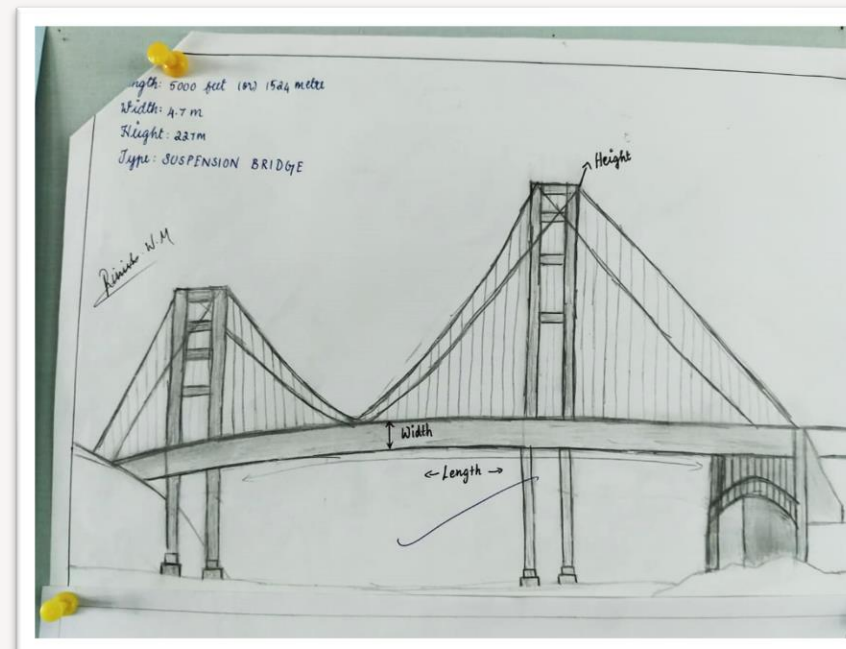
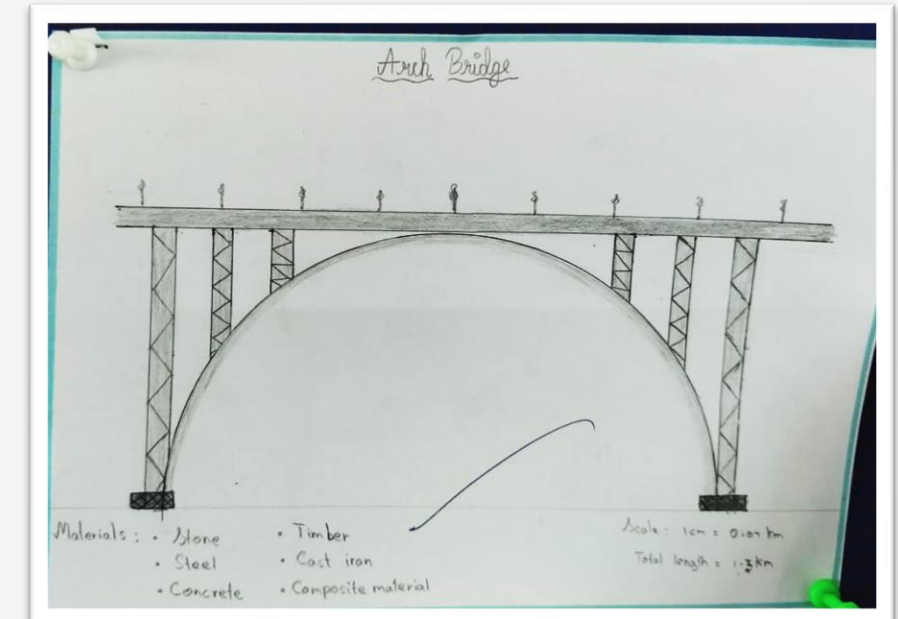
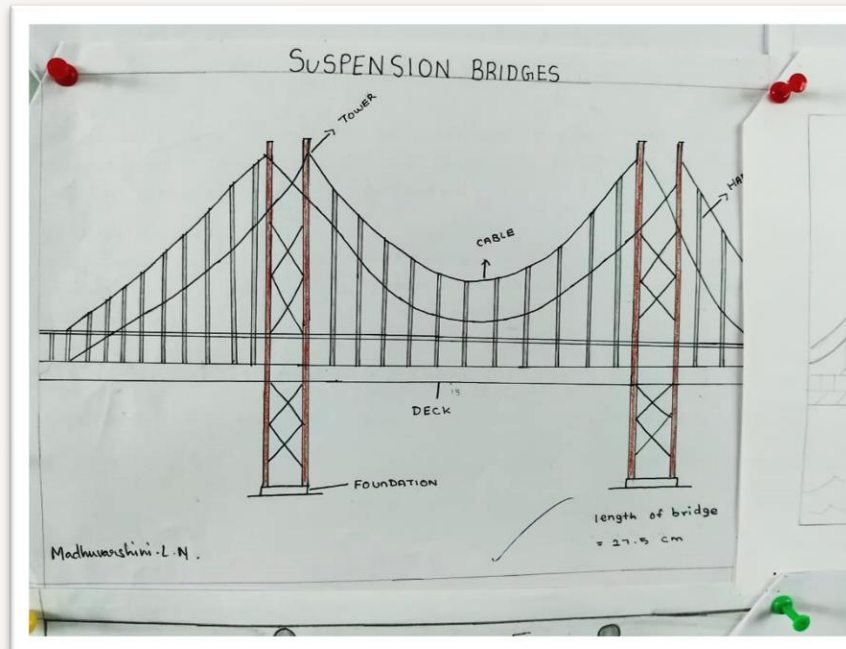




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## Designing a Bridge

Art and other subject integration helps learners to express their creativity. As a weekend work, an art integrated activity was assigned to grade 11 learners. The activity encouraged learners to do a small research on three different types of bridges namely suspension, beam and arch in connection to the topic **MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF SOLIDS** in Physics. All of them submitted their design as a sketch. This activity helped learners go beyond their text book to explore the concept globally and view its real implications.





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## Cultivating Sustainability in Our Garden

Learners of middle school promoted Green Education and fostered a sustainable lifestyle. They embarked on a wonderful project to extend and adorn their garden using eco-friendly materials. Their initiative started with constructing the garden with recycled tyres and used pots. They gave a new life to these discarded items and ensured that no resource went to waste. As the days passed, they revelled in the joy of observing the growth and transformation within their garden. They decided to plant some unusual vegetables such as cilantro, radish and beetroot too. The sustainable garden project not only taught them about planting and harvesting but also instilled in them a sense of responsibility towards the environment.





## Weekend Enrichment Activities

Chettinad Vidya Mandir is pleased to announce the launch of a weekend skating training program which is open to learners and neighbours. This initiative, held every Saturday and Sunday, aims to develop and enhance the skating skills of participants.



## Letter Writing Competition

A letter writing competition on the theme "Joy of Writing" with the topic "Importance of Writing Letters in the Digital Age" was organized by the postal department for learners of Grades 6 to 9. Learners learned about writing on the Inland Letters and Post Covers with the correct placement of the sender's and recipient's addresses.





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## Field trip to Pazhamudhir Nilayam

As a pre-activity, parents drew their children's favourite fruits and vegetables on a sheet, which the children later coloured. They brought those sheets to the shop and identified them physically. They also explored the fruits and vegetables one by one by touching, feeling and smelling. Learners sorted fruits and vegetables from a mixed-up basket. They chose their favourite fruits or vegetables and purchased them.





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## Field Trip to Kurumbapatti

Grade 8 learners embarked on a field trip to Kurumbapatti village, focusing on sustainability and inclusiveness. During their visit, learners operated a few traditional agricultural tools to grind sorghum powder for animal husbandry. They also had a nature walk through the lily gardens. Then, they assisted the farmers there in planting groundnut seeds and grazing sheep as part of Utsav seva activities. Learners learnt about the functionalities of biogas too.





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## CBP - Learning Outcomes and Pedagogies

Acharyas of Chettinad Vidya Mandir attended the CBP programme held at Venus Global School, Karur on the 30th of November. The programme trained the attendees of various schools on the topic, “Learning Outcomes and Pedagogies”. The difference between the Learning Objectives and Learning Outcomes and the connection between the two were reinforced effectively. The mix of theoretical frameworks with real-life examples helped the participants analyse contextualised learning. The program inspired all the acharyas and helped them reassess the ways they design learning outcomes and assess the performance of learners.



## Congenial

Congenial is organised in Chettinad Vidya Mandir to nurture the mental well-being of the staff members. The activity will be connected to FIDS - Feel, Imagine, Do and Share. Acharyas lined up in terms of their birth dates and months without any verbal communication. This activity proved to them mentally that the strongest communication is beyond language or words.





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## Human Book

Mr. Elayaraja Mani PT, Block Physiotherapist from the Upgraded Primary Health Center, Chinnadharapuram, K.Paramathi, Government of Tamil Nadu, joined the Human Library Club as a "Human Book". He shared his thoughts on "Exercise for a Stronger Brain: How Physical Fitness Impacts Memory & Cognition". During the session, Mr. Mani shared valuable insights on various topics about physiotherapy. His sharing touched upon the activities to improve memory power, the importance of adequate sleep and the impact of excessive mobile phone usage on learners too. His presentation was truly captivating and learners appreciated his way of interacting and sharing.





## Christmas Carnival

Christmas Carnival at Chettinad Vidya Mandir was celebrated on the 21st of December in a way that could stun all the parents who energetically participated along with their children and let all have deep-core festive memories. Learners set up stalls that ranged from crafts, lucky corners, memory games and throwing games to popcorn, brownies, cakes and delicious food stalls. The celebration had a focus on attracting the audience towards the real theme of the celebration, that is, 'Sharing Love and Giving'. Meanwhile, the stalls that made some money out of the efforts of the learners justified it by all means. The money earned through the stalls by the learners will be attached to the amount that is going to be earned in the forthcoming programmes such as VIZHA and EEGAI-2024-'25 in Feb, to spend it on a good cause for society. Overall, the celebration stood as a prime example of a complete package of dance, songs, carols, orchestra, skit and a great exhibition of talents without forgetting the core theme.





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## Passion Club

The Passion Club offered a chance for learners to participate in Vegetable Printing Art, Thumb Print Art, Palm Print Art, Clay Modelling, Origami and Vegetable Carving as part of our extracurricular initiatives. The event aimed to foster creativity, patience and fine motor skills. The event, a memorable experience for all who were involved, reflected the school's commitment to nurturing creativity and talent. Such initiatives play a vital role in enhancing learners' confidence and artistic skills.





## Coffee Morning

Coffee Morning held on the 14th of December, brought the parents of the learners studying in Grade 10 and the acharyas of all subjects together to benefit mutually focusing on learning the progress status of each learner by measuring their performance in the recent Unit Tests altogether. The involvement of the parents helped the meeting end with a lot of takeaways and collaborative thoughts. Learners and parents altogether shared their happiness about the way their concerns are being addressed and the surplus resources provided by the school. The meeting ended with one-to-one discussions on the answer scripts of the learners.





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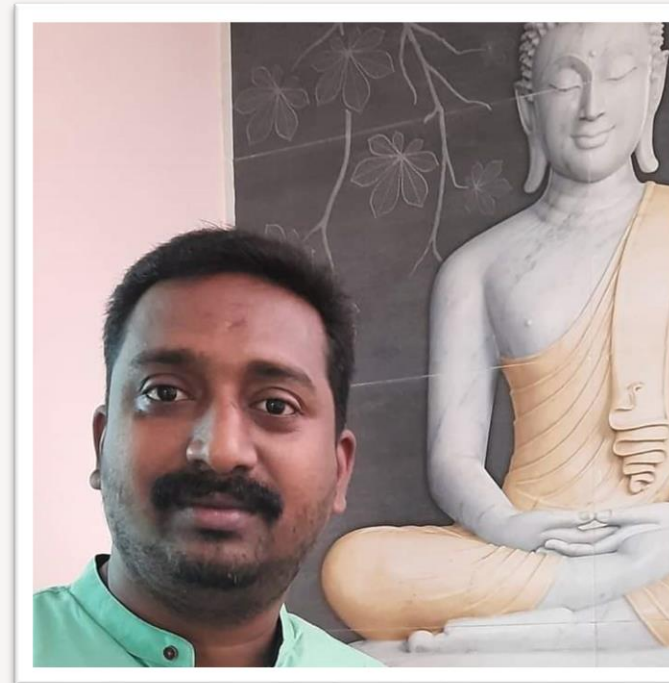
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## Teacher Speak

Chettinad Vidya Mandir never forgets to honour the creative works of acharyas. Hence, every Newsletter offers a page for it exclusively. In such a way, this time, Mr Karthikeyan, the Tamil acharya who has published his collections of lyrics multiple times, has offered a lyric poem here. Read and rejoice.





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