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FROM THE HEART EDITORIAL NOTE

There is a world of learning that cannot be confined to a textbook. It is found in hands covered in soil, in ideas taking shape, in experiments that refuse to go as planned, in voices that rise with confidence, and in students who discover that the best way to learn is often to roll up their sleeves and simply get started!

This edition of Campus Beats puts the spotlight firmly on that spirit—the spirit of learning by doing.

Our club activities are not merely an extension of the school day. They are spaces where curiosity gets its hands dirty, creativity finds a voice, leadership steps forward and ideas move beyond the drawing board. Here, students do not simply learn about the world—they engage in. They plant, create, experiment, explore, collaborate, question and, most importantly, make things happen.

Because some lessons cannot be taught through a chapter. They must be experienced.

They are discovered in the thrill of creating something with your own hands, in working together towards a shared goal, in taking responsibility, in solving a problem and in realising that you can actually do more than you ever imagined.

As you turn these pages, you will see our students in action—one club, one activity, one idea and one experience at a time. These are the moments that transform learning from something we receive into something we live. And perhaps that is what education should truly be. Not just a preparation for life.

But life itself—happening, creating, experimenting and unfolding right here, right now.

So here's to the thinkers who dared, the creators who made, the teams who worked, the hands that built and the young minds that proved that when learning moves beyond the classroom—extraordinary things begin to happen.

*With faith in every heartbeat
Students of SVSSS*



ROOTED IN CHANGE, GROWING FOR TOMORROW



The future does not turn green through grand promises alone. Sometimes, it begins with a pair of little hands pressing a sapling into the soil. Sometimes, it grows quietly in a corner of a school campus, leaf by leaf, root by root, nurtured by young minds that are learning that the Earth is not simply a place we live in, but a responsibility we share.

The Eco Club of SVSSS began its journey for the academic year 2026–27 with one simple yet powerful thought: let students learn about nature by becoming a part of it.

For students from Classes VI to VIII, the journey began at home. Saplings found new soil, little gardens found new caretakers, and families became part of the movement. What began as a plantation activity soon became a lesson in responsibility because every plant needs more than to be planted; it needs to be remembered, watered and nurtured.



Meanwhile, the students of Classes X, XI and XII brought this green vision to life on campus by creating a Herbal Garden—a living classroom filled with the wisdom of nature. From Karpooravalli and Tulsi to Lemongrass, Keezhanelli and Betel Leaf, every plant found its place and every student found a reason to look beyond the textbook.

The garden is not merely about medicinal plants. It is about rediscovering knowledge that grows from the soil. It is about understanding biodiversity, sustainability and the quiet power of nature. It is about learning

that growth cannot be rushed and that the most meaningful things in life often require patience, care and consistency.

And perhaps that is the most beautiful lesson of all.

The Eco Club did not simply plant saplings or create a garden. It planted a thought.

A thought that may grow into a habit.

A habit that may grow into responsibility.

And a responsibility that may, one day, help build a greener world.

Because every great forest once began with something small.

A seed. A sapling. A student who cared.



ONE FLOWING WALKING TOUR



The easiest way to understand the beginning of a new club year is to simply to take a walk.

It starts in the Art Room, where a pile of ice cream sticks, a splash of paint, and a little glue

are slowly turning into a row of colourful pen stands. No two are exactly alike. Every brushstroke, every pattern, and every design reflects the creativity of a student behind it, proving that even the simplest materials can become something useful and unique.



Step into the corridor, and the Junior Eco Club is already knee-deep in its first activity of the year—a sapling-planting drive that has left more than a few uniforms with soil on the knees. Small plants are finding new homes across the campus, each one, a quiet promise of a greener school in the years to come.

Walk a little further and the Science Lab comes

alive with activity. On one bench, a water purification demonstration transforms murky water into clear water, one stage at a time. At the next table, a static electricity experiment shows how rubbing the right materials together can produce an electric charge, filling the room with curious questions, excited conversations, and the occasional look of surprise.



Follow the pathway towards the garden, and the Green House Club has transformed the campus into an open-air classroom. Members have spent the week identifying their plants growing around the

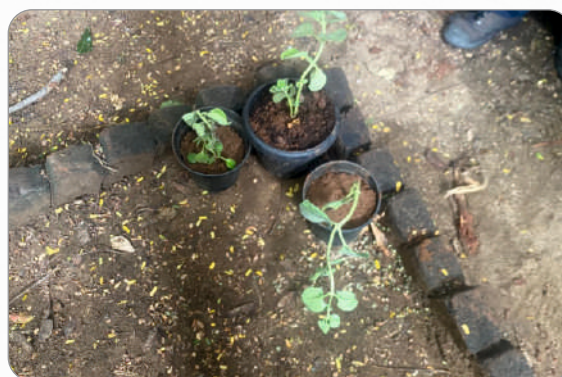
school and carefully labelling them with their scientific names. What was once just another garden has quietly become a living learning space, where every labelled plant tells a small scientific story.





The walk doesn't end there. Over where the High School clubs meet, the Senior Eco Club has taken planting one step further by creating a medicinal plants garden. Every plant has earned its place not because of how colourful it is, but because of its medicinal value. It is less of a decorative garden and more of a growing reference book that members will

continue to nurture throughout the year. Just next door, the EVS Club is busy preparing seed balls from a mixture of eight different seeds—apple, coriander, papaya, spinach, dates, lemon, pomegranate, and guava. Once dried, they will be scattered in suitable areas and left for the rains, allowing nature to take over where the students leave off.



In another corner, the Consumer Protection Club has exchanged gardening tools for sketch pens and chart paper. Members are transforming lessons on consumer rights into attractive, informative posters that will soon line the school corridors, reminding students that awareness is one of the strongest forms of protection. By the time the walk comes to an end, it

becomes clear that every club has found its own way to make a difference. Some are creating with their hands, some are experimenting in laboratories, some are planting for the future, while others are spreading awareness through knowledge. Seven clubs, seven different journeys, yet one shared beginning—the determination to learn, contribute, and get straight to work from day one.

-Vasudev, Akshara, Gokula Krishnan

ESSENCE OF INDEPENDENCE

Independence Day is a day of immense pride, joy, and gratitude for every Indian. It is celebrated on 15 August to mark India's freedom from British rule in 1947.

Our brave freedom fighters struggled tirelessly for many years and made great sacrifices to ensure that future generations could live in a free and independent nation.



Freedom is one of the greatest gifts that a person or a nation can have. It means living without fear, injustice, or oppression, and having the right to think, speak, learn, work, and follow our dreams. Freedom allows us to make our own choices, express our opinions, practice our religion, and enjoy equal rights and opportunities.

However, freedom also comes with responsibilities. We must obey the laws, respect the rights and opinions of others, protect public property, care for the environment, and work together to maintain peace, unity, and harmony.



T rue freedom is not just about enjoying our rights, but also about using them wisely to help our families, society, and our nation grow stronger and better.

-Sakshi Das of Class VI

CLUB ACTIVITIES – WHERE EVERY TUESDAY SPARKS A NEW ADVENTURE!

Every Tuesday, our campus comes alive as students from KG to Grade 2 step beyond the classroom and into a world of discovery! From finding their voice and unleashing creativity to mastering movement and connecting with nature, every club offers our little learners an exciting new way to explore, express and excel.





PODIUM CLUB – LITTLE VOICES, BIG CONFIDENCE!

A microphone may be small, but the confidence it builds can be enormous! At the Podium Club, our young speakers step forward to introduce themselves, describe the world around them and bring stories alive through their words. With every sentence spoken, these little voices grow stronger, bolder and more confident—one podium moment at a time!



SILAMBAM CLUB – LITTLE WARRIORS IN THE MAKING!

Energy, agility, discipline and a whole lot of spirit come together at the Silambam Club! Through warm-up exercises and basic stepping techniques, our young learners are introduced to the power and grace of this traditional martial art. Every movement strengthens their balance, coordination and flexibility—while nurturing focus, discipline and the warrior within!



ART & CRAFT CLUB – WHERE IMAGINATION RUNS WILD!

Give our little artists some colours, crayons and leaves—and watch the magic unfold! From vibrant leafprinting to fascinating leaf-rubbing activities, every session is a burst of creativity and discovery. As tiny hands explore colours, textures and patterns, imagination takes centre stage and every child becomes an artist with a story to tell!



ECO CLUB – GROWING GREEN HEARTS!

At the Eco Club, learning gets its hands a little dirty and its heart a whole lot greener! From understanding what plants need to grow to watering them, observing them and collecting different kinds of leaves, our young nature lovers are discovering the wonders of the world around them. One little plant, one curious question and one caring action at a time, they are learning that the future of our planet is in good hands!

ONE HOUR. FOUR CLUBS. COUNTLESS POSSIBILITIES!

These weekly club activities are more than just an exciting break from the routine. They are spaces where confidence finds a voice, creativity finds colour, strength finds movement and curiosity finds nature. At SVSSS, our little learners are not simply learning beyond the classroom, they are discovering who they can become!

LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: A VISIT TO THE MIOT INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL

The Interact Club of our school recently organized an educational visit to MIOT International Hospital, providing students with an enriching and insightful learning experience. The visit offered a valuable opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge of the healthcare sector and the hospital's advanced medical facilities.

The session commenced with an informative introduction to MIOT International Hospital, where Dr. Janani familiarized us with the hospital's state-of-the-art infrastructure and specialized departments. We were impressed by the hospital's exceptional standards of cleanliness and professionalism.



A major highlight of the visit was the hands-on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training conducted by Dr. Satya. She emphasized the importance of timely intervention during medical emergencies and demonstrated the correct CPR techniques. Students were then given the opportunity to practice CPR on mannequins, enabling them to develop practical skills and confidence in responding to life threatening situations. A medical expert, Dr. Satya also introduced us to several essential medical instruments commonly used in hospitals, enhancing our understanding of modern healthcare practices.

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The visit concluded with an interactive session, during which we expressed our gratitude to the doctors for sharing their expertise. We also had the opportunity to take photographs with the medical team and received thoughtful return gifts as a token of appreciation. It was an inspiring experience that not only broadened our knowledge of the medical profession but also highlighted the importance of compassion, preparedness and service to society.

-Prasanth XI B

VARNAJAALAM – A MAGNIFICENT SYMPHONY OF EXCELLENCE, CULTURE & DREAMS

The 62nd Annual Day of Shrine Vailankanni Senior Secondary School unfolded as a magnificent celebration of talent, tradition, achievement and aspiration—a spectacular evening where the vibrant spirit of SVSSS took centre stage.

Titled “VARNAJAALAM – A Symphony of Classical, Cinematic & Western Rhythms,” the celebration was a dazzling confluence of India’s timeless cultural heritage and the electrifying pulse of contemporary expression. From the soulful opening prayer and the resonant Tamil Thai Vazhthu to the exuberance of the welcome dance, every moment set the stage for an evening of grandeur.



The occasion was further elevated by the gracious presence of our distinguished Chief Guest, Mr. Shivkumar Eashwaran, Hon. Consul General of the Republic of Armenia in Chennai, India, whose presence lent the celebration an extraordinary dimension of diplomacy, distinction and global connect. His inspiring address enriched the gathering with thoughts that transcended the boundaries of the school campus, reminding young minds of the limitless possibilities that await them.

The Annual Report offered a compelling glimpse into a year of remarkable accomplishments —academic excellence, sporting triumphs, cultural achievements, experiential learning, student initiatives and a vibrant spectrum of co-curricular pursuits. It was not merely a record of events, but a testament to the relentless pursuit of excellence that defines SVSSS.



The felicitation of our achievers and presentation of Academic Prizes and Scholarships transformed the evening into a celebration of perseverance. Each award represented countless hours of effort, discipline, resilience and determination.



And then came the grand crescendo—the cultural performances. Classical grace, cinematic energy and Western rhythms converged in a spectacular showcase of creativity and confidence, proving once again that education is not confined to classrooms; it finds its fullest expression when young minds dare to create, perform and shine.

The 62nd Annual Day was, ultimately, more than a celebration. It was SVSSS in full splendour, honouring its legacy, celebrating its present and boldly applauding the brilliance of its future.





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