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DAAN UTSAV



‘**Spread joy, share love**’ is the slogan that resonated in our school through the entire last week of September as we celebrated the Daan Utsav , the Joy of Giving. The entire school was pulsating with commitment and fervor to share resources, time and happiness to make a little difference to many lives in need.

Students of Classes III and IV reached out to a Senior citizens’ home to spend a few hours of affection and love with the elderly inmates. The students interacted with the elderly followed by an entertainment program with music and dance. The inmates were very happy and blessed everyone.

Our school representatives volunteered to visit Anandaghar, the home of happiness, to spread love and care with goodies to celebrate the upcoming festivals. All were welcomed by the HIV+ children and orphans and their happiness knew no bounds as they felt valued and respected.

Following the footsteps of our mentor Swami Vivekananda, the entire school also believes in empathy with every living soul and so reaching Chhaya, the animal care unit, was an outstanding job on our part. We carried a bunch of goodies for the voiceless inmates and prayed to the almighty for their happiness.

Thus, celebrating the **Daan Utsav** right at the onset of the biggest yearly festival made all of us happy at heart as we understood.

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AGOMONI



শরৎ মানেই নদীতীরে সাদা কাশফুলের ঢেউ। শরৎ মানেই নীল আকাশে সাদা মেঘের ভেলা। শরৎ মানেই বাঙালির কাছে মাতৃসম দেবী দুর্গার আগমন। বছর ঘুরে সেই দিন আবার হাজির। বীরেন্দ্রকৃষ্ণ ভদ্র মহাশয়ের কণ্ঠে ‘**আজ দেবীপক্ষের প্রাক-প্রত্যুষে জ্যোতির্ময়ী জগন্মাতা মহাশক্তির শুভ আগমনবার্তা আকাশ-বাতাসে বিঘোষিত**’—মহিষাসুর মর্দিনী গীতি-আলেখ্যের মাধ্যমে শুরু হয়ে যায় দেবী দুর্গার আবাহনবার্তা।

আর গতবারের মত এবারও বিবেকানন্দ মিশন স্কুল, বারুইপুরের পক্ষ থেকে পালন করা হয় আগমনী উৎসব। এই উপলক্ষে বিদ্যালয়ের ক্ষুদ্রে শিক্ষার্থীরা নব দুর্গা সাজে (মা দুর্গার নয়টি রূপ) আমাদের সামনে উপস্থিত হয়ে আমাদের জ্ঞান ভাণ্ডারকে করে তোলে আরও সমৃদ্ধ। সেই সঙ্গে আমাদের শ্রদ্ধেয় পাপিয়া সিস্টারের গল্পপাঠ ও অন্যান্য শিক্ষার্থীদের নৃত্য ও সঙ্গীত পরিবেশনের মধ্যে দিয়ে আগমনী তিথি কে আমরা স্মরণীয় করে রাখতে সক্ষম হই।

DIWALI ASSEMBLY



Our school organized a vibrant Diwali Special Assembly, bringing the festive spirit alive with a delightful showcase of songs, dances, and cultural performances by our talented students. The event began with an inspiring speech on the significance of Diwali, highlighting the themes of victory of good over evil, light over darkness, and knowledge over ignorance.

Students mesmerized the audience with graceful traditional dances. The beautifully decorated stage, filled with diyas and rangoli designs, added to the festive ambiance. The assembly concluded with an important reminder about celebrating a safe and eco-friendly Diwali. The event left everyone with a renewed sense of joy, gratitude, and togetherness, making it a memorable celebration for the entire school community.

CHHATH PUJA

भारतीय संस्कृति में एक अत्यंत महत्वपूर्ण और पवित्र त्योहार है, जो मुख्य रूप से बिहार, झारखंड, पूर्वी उत्तर प्रदेश में मनाया जाता है। यह पर्व सूर्य देव और छठी मइया की आराधना के लिए समर्पित है। चार दिनों तक चलने वाला छठ पूजा का यह त्योहार शुद्धता, सामूहिकता और भक्ति का प्रतीक है।

छठ पूजा के पावन अवसर पर विवेकानंद मिशन बरूईपुर के शिक्षकों के साथ मिलकर छात्रों ने एक सुन्दर प्रदर्शनी प्रस्तुत करते हुए इस दिन को मनाया। बच्चों ने गीत के माध्यम से पूरी विधि को प्रस्तुत किया। शिक्षकों द्वारा आर्ग लेने की प्रक्रिया को भी समझाया गया। पूरे विद्यालय में हर्ष और उल्लास का माहौल था और बच्चों ने बहुत उत्सुकता से पूरी विधि को समझा।



GURU NANAK JAYANTI



‘Truth is the highest virtue, but higher still is truthful living’- Guru Nanak

Our students celebrated the auspicious occasion of Guru Nanak Jayanti with a heartfelt special assembly that highlighted the life and teachings of Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The highlight of the event was a beautifully enacted skit on the famous story of Wali Qandhari, which depicted Guru Nanak Dev Ji's values of humility, kindness, and the power of faith. The students brought the story to life with captivating performances, spreading a message of compassion and selflessness.

The assembly concluded with a soulful rendition of the devotional song "Sat Guru Nanak Aaye Ne," creating a serene and spiritual atmosphere, reminding everyone to follow the path of truth and service to humanity, as taught by Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The program left a lasting impact on the audience, inspiring them to embrace the values of love, equality, and unity in their daily lives.

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CHILDREN'S DAY

The soul is healed by being with children" — Dostoevsky

The school transformed into a paradise of joy and laughter for the Children's Day celebration. The day began with excitement as the teachers delivered a spectacular dance performance, followed by a delightful musical presentation that entertained and inspired the students. Adding a touch of magic to the carnival made the event truly mesmerizing and unforgettable. Finally, the students left with happy hearts and a small token of love from the school, making the celebration even more special.



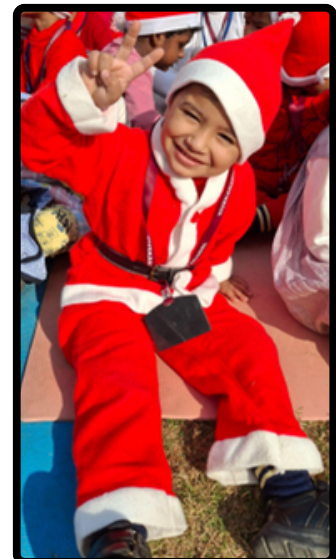
CHRISTMAS

"It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air".



Christmas is celebrated worldwide on December 25 to mark the birth of Lord Jesus. Our students embraced the festive spirit with a spectacular Nativity play, along with lively dance and music performances. Dressed in white with Santa caps, they brought the magic of Christmas to life.

The beautifully decorated stage enhanced the festive mood, and the celebration was complete with a surprise visit from Santa at the end. Students joyfully danced with Santa, making the event truly memorable and heartwarming. The whole celebration made us feel reposeful.



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ZUMBA WORKSHOP



Zumba is a cardio-dance workout that combines Latin-inspired music with dynamic dance moves. To promote fitness and well-being, our school recently organized an exciting Zumba workshop for students on November 22, 2025. The session was conducted by the Physical Education instructor who guided students through energetic dance routines.

The instructor began with a warm-up session, followed by high-intensity aerobic moves set to upbeat music. Students from all classes actively engaged in the fun-filled workout, thoroughly enjoying the experience. The workshop emphasized the importance of physical activity in maintaining a healthy lifestyle, leaving students both inspired and energized. Many shared that the session was not only entertaining but also refreshing.

THANKS GIVING

"Family and friends with grins ear to ear will gather together—Thanksgiving is near!"

Thanksgiving Day is celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November, and this year, we observed it on November 28. It commemorates the 1621 harvest meal shared between the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag Indians. As an Annual National holiday in the U.S. and Canada, it honors the harvest and past year's blessings. To mark the occasion, students performed a short drama and song, joyfully experiencing the spirit of gratitude and the pleasure of sharing with one another.



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ANNUAL DAY



The Annual day of our School was celebrated with a lot of fanfare on the 21st of December, 2024 at Rabindra Bhawan, Baruiipur. The event was graced by Mrs. Madhubani Chatterjee (Chief Guest), Mrs. Minnie Sengupta (Guest of Honour), Mr. Arnab Chandra (Rector), Mrs. Sreemoyee Chandra (CAO). The event was also attended by the students and their parents as well. The day featured a medley of cultural programs performed by the students of VMS, Baruiipur interspaced by award ceremonies & addresses. It was a day of solemn reflections where everybody resonated the innate spirit of “Knowledge!!! Courage!!! Service to Humanity” - the founding principles of our School.

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12TH JANUARY (SWAMI VIVEKANANDA BIRTHDAY)



গত ১২ই জানুয়ারী, ২০২৫ বিবেকানন্দ মিশন স্কুল, বারুইপুর প্রাঙ্গণে স্বামী বিবেকানন্দের ১৬৩ তম জন্মবার্ষিকী সাড়ম্বরে উদযাপিত হয়েছে। সকাল দশটায় পূজা শুরু হয় বৈদিক মন্ত্র উচ্চারণের মধ্য দিয়ে। অনুষ্ঠানে শিক্ষার্থী, অভিভাবক এবং অন্যান্য অতিথিসহ ৫০০ জনেরও বেশি মানুষ উপস্থিত ছিলেন। এই বিশেষ দিনে সমগ্র ভি.এম.এস পরিবার একসাথে হাতে হাত মিলিয়ে অনুষ্ঠানটিকে করে তুলেছিল সাফল্য মণ্ডিত। শিক্ষার্থীদের মধ্যে আধ্যাত্মিক গানের প্রতিযোগিতার আয়োজন করা হয়েছিল। অভিভাবকরাও অংশ নিয়েছিল নানান সাংস্কৃতিক অনুষ্ঠানে। অনুষ্ঠানটি স্কুলের ফেসবুক পেজে লাইভ-স্ট্রিম করা হয়েছিল। স্বামীজির শিক্ষা আধ্যাত্মিক সম্প্রীতি, সহনশীলতা এবং প্রতিটি ব্যক্তির মধ্যে দেবত্বের স্বীকৃতির নীতির মধ্যে গভীর ভাবে প্রথিত ছিল। ১৯৮৪ সালে ভারত সরকার স্বামী বিবেকানন্দের আদর্শকে সম্মান জানাতে এবং দেশের যুব সমাজকে অনুপ্রানিত করবার জন্য তার জন্মদিনকে জাতীয় যুব দিবস ঘোষণা করে। স্বামীজির আদর্শ নিয়ে এগিয়ে যাওয়ার জন্য এবং তার আশীর্বাদ প্রার্থনা করার জন্য আমরা প্রতি বছর এই দিনটি উদযাপন করি।

23RD JANUARY (NETAJI BIRTHDAY)

"Victory or defeat is not important, but the fight itself is everything."- Netaji

The school observed the 128th birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose on 23rd January, during the school morning assembly. The students of class VI, delivered a speech on the principles followed by Netaji and also brought to our knowledge how the teachings of Swami Vivekananda influenced the life of Netaji. The song "Kadam Kadam Baraye Ja.." was in perfect sync with the speech that kept playing as the background music.



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REPUBLIC DAY

"Let new India arise out of peasants' cottages, grasping the plow, out of huts, cobbler and sweeper." – Swami Vivekananda.

The school celebrated the Republic Day with great pride and reverence. It is a day for all Indians to be proud of our nation as on this auspicious day, our country adopted its constitution. The program started with the hoisting of the tricolour by our principal sister. It was followed by the March Past led by the school captain.

Other events that were included in the program were a medley of patriotic songs sung by the students of the primary and secondary section and a motivational speech by our Principal sister.



SPORTS

" Impossible is not a fact. It's an opinion. Impossible is potential. Impossible is nothing." - Md. Ali.

The Annual Sports event 2024 was observed on 25th January, 2024 with extreme passion and zeal at the Jogibattala sporting club ground. The opening ceremony was marked with a spectacular March past followed by the school flag hoisting and taking the oath. While the students cheered each other for their house colours, competitors fiercely pitted against each other on the track and field. Students were able to compete to the highest level whilst showcasing excellent sportsmanship within the values of the school. Not only Individual performances were celebrated by the encouraging spectators but team performance also fetched a lot of applause throughout the day.

The full day witnessed a lot of events for students, staff, and parents and Gold house emerged as the overall winner. Happy students, big smiles and sporting achievements marked the symbols of a beautiful day for the school community.



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SARASWATI PUJA

“शारदा शारदाम्भोजवदना वदनाम्बुजे।
सर्वदा सर्वदाऽस्माकं सन्निधिं सन्निधिं क्रियात्”॥

Saraswati Puja is a celebration in schools to honour the Hindu Goddess of knowledge, wisdom, music and art. The school was beautifully embellished using colourful flowers, Madhubani art works made by the students. Our respected Principal Sister beautifully organised the Puja. The Bhog for Maa Saraswati was prepared at school. The teachers and staff all were engaged with the puja preparations. The day started with the puja and holy recitations, devotional songs, dances were performed by the students. Our school also organised a drawing competition for all the students. The day had great significance among everyone.



INTER-HOUSE QUIZ COMPETITION

“In the world of quizzes, knowledge is the real trophy.”

An Inter house quiz competition “Battle of Brains” was held in the school auditorium. The students from Grade III to VI, of all the four houses, gave a tough battle to each other. The rules were explained at the beginning by the quiz master, Mr Imon Das for four houses respectively. There were 5 different mind-bending rounds in which the contestants exercised their brilliant brains confidently for answering tricky questions. The questions put forth to the teams were intriguing, exciting and made the audience go ‘aah!’ and clap when the teams answered correctly. The audience also got a chance to participate every time the teams answered incorrectly. A range of emotions were felt in the auditorium– happiness, sadness, regret and excitement. Everyone waited with baited breath for the announcement of the final scores.

***Winner* -**

Scarlet House (in Grade III- VI)



INVESTITURE CEREMONY

"A leader is the one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way." - John C. Maxwell



VMS's motto is to create leaders of tomorrow and there is a special ceremony that turns it into reality. For us, the Investiture Ceremony is not just about providing titles, but about conferring responsibilities to the students, to take charge of the school and take it to the height they desire with their leadership and decision-making skills, communication and teamwork.

At this ceremony, a school prefectorial board is formed after scrutinous interviewing and selection which gives them a feel of functioning of an official administrative body. The selected students are honoured with their respective badges such as School Captain, House Leaders take an oath to faithfully work for the school. Our Principal Sister, Mrs Chandrani Ghosh, also encourages them to put in honest efforts for every endeavour and become an inspiration for others.

BHASHA DIWAS “একুশে ফেব্রুয়ারি বাঙালির আত্মত্যাগের ইতিহাস,
তাদের রক্তে তৈরি ভাষার প্রতীক প্রক্ষিপ্ত ||
বিপ্লবীর চোখে চির বিজয়ের বিশ্বাস,
হাজারো মাতৃভাষার মর্যাদা হলো দীপ্ত ||”

২১ শে ফেব্রুয়ারি, ২০২৫ বিবেকানন্দ মিশন স্কুল, বারুইপুরে উদযাপিত হল আন্তর্জাতিক মাতৃভাষা দিবস। এই উপলক্ষে বিদ্যালয়ের শিক্ষক-শিক্ষিকা ও শিক্ষার্থীরা একসাথে মিলিত হয়ে আবৃত্তি, নাচ ও গান এর মধ্যে দিয়ে স্মরণ করলো অমর একুশের ভাষা শহীদদের।

মাতৃভাষা মাতৃদুগ্ধের সমান। সেই মাতৃভাষার আন্তর্জাতিক মঞ্চে স্বীকৃতি কিন্তু খুব পুরনো দিনের কথা নয়। ঐতিহাসিক ২১ ফেব্রুয়ারি, সারা বিশ্বে আন্তর্জাতিক মাতৃভাষা দিবস পালিত হচ্ছে। এই দিনের ইতিহাসের সঙ্গে জড়িয়ে আছে আমাদের পড়শি দেশের স্বপ্ন, তার জন্ম এবং অবশ্যই ঐতিহ্য। সেই ইতিহাসে রয়েছে আত্মত্যাগ, নিরলস সংগ্রাম এবং হার না মানা মনোভাব।



GRANDPARENTS DAY CELEBRATION

"Grandparent is someone with silver in their hair and gold in their heart"



Grandparents are a beautiful blend of love, laughter, and cherished memories. To honor them, the students of VMS, Baruiipur, celebrated Grandparents' Day on February 14, 2025. The event began with a warm welcome speech by the principal, followed by a delightful lineup of performances. The celebration featured an opening dance, a colorful nursery performance, a heartfelt song by transition students, recitations, and vibrant songs and dances by senior students.

The event concluded with a closing speech by a senior faculty member, followed by heartfelt feedback from a grandparent, making the occasion truly special. Finally, the children handed over flowers and gifts prepared by them to their grandparents as a token of love and took photographs with them.

ASSEMBLY BY N1 AND N2

As said by Sam Fuentes, " Children are the purest manifestation of love and divinity in the world;"

To spread positivity amongst everyone, the tiny tots of Nursery I and Nursery II conducted the morning assembly in the 3rd and 4th week of February, 2025.

The mornings of the 3rd week of February were made vibrant and colourful by the children of Nursery II with their recitation, dance and story enactment. The following week was taken over by the little ones of nursery I. The songs and rhymes in their sweet and melodious voices were the best thing to start a day with for everyone.



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GRADUATION DAY



Today we see not just a graduate but shining examples of some flowering buds.

We are here to extend our prosperous step towards a new beginning, and it's the Graduation Day, held on 5th March, 2025.

All the teachers and the parents warmly welcomed the little buds of Transition. The students waved and walked putting charming smiles on their faces. Our little graduates were all dressed up in their graduation robes and hats. The Assembly area was beautifully decorated and all ready to celebrate their success. All the students were excited to reminisce from the first day to last day of Transition. Their class photograph, wrapped in a decorated scroll was given to each of them.

They took the oath. The students performed on the "Thank you" dance. Their performance made everyone speechless and emotional. The students of Nursery II, Class I and Class II also enhanced the programme by their mesmerizing performances. Some parents expressed their feelings through out. The graduated students proudly threw their hats in the air and everyone there cheered them up. The students not only grew in inches but in confidence throughout the year.

Congratulations! This is just the beginning. You are star in the making. Shine on.



S.O.F (OLYMPIAD)

Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF) is the world's biggest olympiads which was organized in our school and a large number of students appeared for the examination. The examination was held for English (IEO), Mathematics (IMO), Science (NSO), Social Studies (ISSO), Computer Science (ICSO), Hindi (IHO) and General Knowledge (IGKO). There are two rounds of examination where 3 students appeared for the 2nd level. The class toppers got the Gold medals and the other students who appeared for the examination got the participation certificates.



SPELLBEE



Our students from Nursery 2 to Class 6 recently participated in the Little Hands, Handwriting, and Spell Bee competition organized by WIZ Spell Bee. The Nursery II and Transition students excelled, securing a spot in the next level of the competition. As a mark of appreciation and encouragement, they were awarded Gold Medals and certificates. Additionally, students from Classes I to VI who qualified, received merit certificates for their outstanding performances. Now, they are all geared up to compete in the state-level competition.

SCHOOL EXCURSION

"The world is a book, and those who do not travel read only one page." – Saint Augustine



Educational Visits are one of the things school children look forward to during their school life. They inculcate experiences and memories which are extremely durable. Hence an educational visit to Science City with its natural dynamic environment provides a learning venue that matches students' natural inclination to know more about things and engages even those with short attention span and puts the learning subject in context.

NON FIRE COOKING ACTIVITY BY FOUNDATION LEVEL

The Pre-Primary Wing of our school organized a delightful Non-Fire Cooking Activity, providing young learners with a fun and engaging experience in the world of food preparation. The activity aimed to develop creativity, teamwork, and basic culinary skills while ensuring safety, as no cooking or fire was involved.

The little chefs enthusiastically participated in making simple yet delicious recipes such as fruit salads and sandwiches. Teachers guided the students in mixing, assembling, and decorating their dishes, encouraging them to explore different textures and flavors. This activity helped enhance their fine motor skills, hand-eye coordination, and awareness of healthy eating habits. Parents and teachers were delighted to see the enthusiasm and confidence of the children as they proudly presented their culinary creations. The event was a great success, fostering a sense of independence and excitement among the young learners. It not only made learning enjoyable but also encouraged them to develop an early interest in nutritious eating and teamwork.



ART EXHIBITION

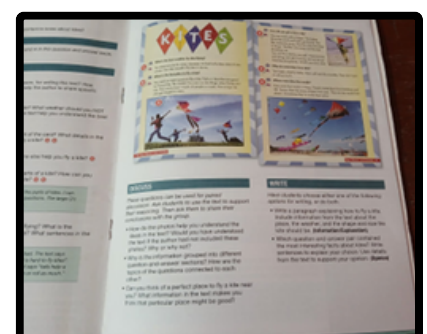
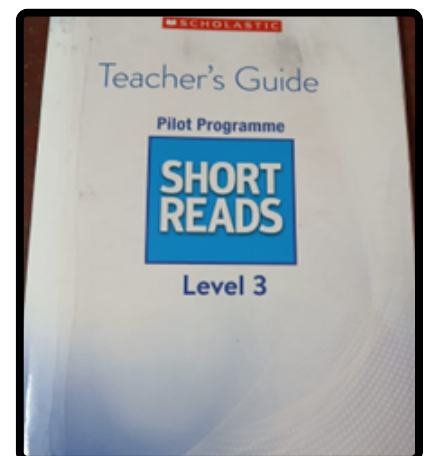
"Art and science are two fundamental expressions of the human spirit, reflecting our innate desire to understand and express the world around us." – John Holdren.

"Crafty Creations"- The school hosted an Art and Science Exhibition for students in Pre-Primary to Std VI, in conjunction with the Parent Teacher Meeting for the Annual Report. Exhibitions provide a platform for students to showcase their creativity and innovation while exploring new concepts that require out-of-the-box thinking and problem-solving skills. The exhibition showcased the extraordinary talents of the school's budding artists wherein paintings, sculptures and live activity counters were on display.



PILOT PROJECT (SCHOLASTIC)

A Pilot Project was conducted by the Scholastic Publishers for the students of class III. It was based on an online programme attended by the class teacher(Class III).The session aimed to enhance students' storytelling,debate,comprehension,communication,question-answering,vocabulary skills.Students actively participated in storytelling,where they narrated short tales with creativity and confidence from the study materials (SHORT READS). A debate session was held on simple topics, allowing students to express their opinions and buildreasoning skills.Comprehension exercises were given helping them improve their reading and understanding abilities.To strengthen their communication,they practiced responding to different prompts with clarity and fluency.A question - answer round encouraged critical thinking and active listening.Vocabulary- building activities such as word associations and sentence formation,expanded their language skills.They also prepared charts to reflect their thoughts.The students displayed enthusiasm and showed remarkable improvement in their verbal and written expression.Overall,the activity was a great success, making learning interactive and enjoyable.



WORKSHOPS FOR TEACHERS

"Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other." — John F. Kennedy



Attending seminars and workshops is a vital part of professional development for teachers. These events provide opportunities for educators to enhance their knowledge, refine teaching methods, and stay updated on the latest trends in education. Seminars often focus on new educational research, pedagogical strategies, and emerging technologies, while workshops allow teachers to engage in hands-on learning experiences. By participating in these enrichment programs, teachers can improve their skills, network with peers, and implement innovative practices in the classroom, ultimately benefiting both their professional growth and their students' learning experiences.

Some of the enriching events attended by our faculty members this session were:

- Workshop On Artificial Intelligence by Orange Publication
- Conference on Machine Learning by Institute of Space Physics Mukundapur
- Mathematics workshop by Madhuban Publishers
- Implementation of play pedagogy for joyful learning in early years of childhood
- Wipro Earthian Annual Meet
- Workshop on Early Childhood Care by Cambridge
- Workshop of NCF for Foundational Stage by Collins
- Workshop on Language for Literacy Teaching to 21st Century learners by Collins
- Leaders' Seminar on "The Future of Assessments: How Schools Should Prepare for Change." By Education Initiatives.

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