

VIVEKANANDA MISSION SCHOOL

JOKA

Newsletter

Field Trip To Alipore Zoo

The department of ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS along with the SCIENCE CLUB of Vivekananda Mission School organised a field trip to Alipore Zoo on 4th January, 2025 (Saturday). It was a fun-filled experience for the students. They got to visit the different enclosures of the mammals, reptiles, aves and many more. Students gathered knowledge on different varieties of species. Students learned about the different historical buildings like Gubbay House (commonly called Nocturnal House) Samomoyi House, The Ezra House and others. The Buckland and Maimonsingha enclosure were much captivating. The excursion was very informative and interesting for all the teachers and the students.



Felicitation of the School Toppers

The Toppers of ICSE and ISC 2024 were felicitated by the West Bengal Government on 3rd January, 2025. Each student received a laptop, a flower bouquet, a packet of sweets and an appreciation letter from the honourable Chief Minister of West Bengal. VMS expresses heartfelt gratitude to the Honourable Chief Minister for the kind gesture.



Swami Vivekananda's Birth Anniversary

On the auspicious occasion of January 12th, Vivekananda Mission School, Joka, observed the 162nd birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda with great fervor and devotion. The event was held at the school's extended campus and was attended by over 2000 devotees, including students, alumni, guardians, and staff members.

The celebration began with the holy recitations of Sri Ramakrishna Parmhansa, Shri Sarada Devi, and Swami Vivekananda. A Maharaj from Ramakrishna Mission performed the rites and rituals, transforming the campus into a divine abode with the chanting of Vedic Shlokas. After the completion of the main puja, a sumptuous lunch was served, further uplifting the celebratory mood. The celebration served as a reminder of Swami Vivekananda's holistic approach and philosophy, deeply rooted in the Vedantic Vision of innate divinity.



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17th and 18th January, 2025 saw a transformed Vivekananda Mission School as it unfolded its much-awaited Annual Carnival – "The World of Mowgli." The fun-filled two days of excitement, laughter, and adventure brought magic to life - that of The Jungle Book. Day 1 was for Nursery 1 to Class 1, and the second day of fun was on for Classes 2 to 4. One of the biggest highlights of the carnival was the creative game stalls, all inspired by The Jungle Book. Children had a wonderful time doing things like Ring the Snake Kaa, Feed King Louie, Baghira Got His Tail, Conquer Sher Khan, Fetch Honey for Baloo, and Swing Like Mowgli. All areas of the carnival were energized with the excitement as students ran all over the field in a burst of activity, dressed in colorful animal masks, laughing and having the best time ever in the games. The delicious smell of the newly prepared food didn't help people to resist food stalls, for it was certainly one of the busiest



Dictatorship Vs Communism: A Philosophical Clash

On behalf of the History Department, the students of class XI section E presented a thought provoking comparison of the ideologies of Dictatorship and Communism with the help of impressive PowerPoint presentations on 8th January, 2025. It was the celebration of creativity, risk taking, partnership and Commerce itself. It was more than just an event.



Netaji's Birth Anniversary

A short Assembly Programme was conducted on the eve of Netaji's Birth Anniversary to honour the indomitable spirit, selfless service to the nation and his pivotal role in the Freedom Movement.



Republic Day

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Vivekananda Mission School, Joka. Members of the VMS family, gathered at the Extended Campus to be part of this historic occasion. Republic Day not only marks our independence from foreign rule but also signifies the ever increasing strength and triumph of our democratic spirit.

The celebration commenced with our Principal, Ananya Dutta, unfurling the National Flag—a symbol of our nation's pride followed by the singing of the National Anthem. The atmosphere was filled with the sense of joy and patriotism. Adding to the spirit of the day, children highlighted the significance of Republic Day and its importance to the Indians through varied spectacular performances. Principal Ananya Dutta engaged the students in an interactive session, asking thought-provoking questions about the significance of Republic Day, the Constitution and the duties and responsibilities of us, the common Indian citizens.



Visit to Animal Rescue and Care Center Kolkata

Some students of Vivekananda Mission School, Joka of classes III and IV visited an animal shelter for stray cats and dogs at Thakurpukur on 28.01.25 with the sole purpose of helping out these incredible animals by

contributing some food items. This distinctive initiative was conceived with the aim of cultivating compassion and empathy for all living beings among our children. They also learnt a valuable lesson that by working together we can make a significant difference in the lives of these lovely animals.

Saraswati Puja

The atmosphere of Vivekananda Mission School (VMS) was filled with joy, serenity, and festivity as the 7th edition of Bani Bandana unfolded on 2nd February 2025. Organized by Vivekananda Mission School along with the VMS Alumni Association, the event was a marvellous showcase of tradition, creativity, and community spirit, bringing together students, teachers, alumni and thousands of audiences. This year's theme, "Vidya Rupena," was inspired by the sacred hymns of Goddess Saraswati. Students, teachers and guests gathered to offer their prayers to the Goddess of Wisdom and Learning. The rituals were performed with deep reverence, creating a serene and spiritual atmosphere. Following the Puja, the mouth-watering Moha Bhoj brought everyone together over a lavish feast. Cultural performances, Art & craft Exhibition, Kids' Play Zone were the added source of entertainment. Bani Bandana 2025 was not just a celebration but rather a commitment to tradition, creativity, togetherness and the unbreakable bond within the school.



Public Speaking Club Activity

Public Speaking Club conducted the Storytelling Competition 'Unveil Tales Untold' Classes 3 and 4' from Category A and Classes 5 and 6 from Category B took part in the club activity. Participants captivated the audience with their creativity, passion and unique stories. It was an evening filled with unforgettable moments, powerful narratives and inspiring performances.



Beach Cleaning Activity at Chandipur

VMS organised a beach cleaning activity in association with Nivriti Foundation on 19th January 2025. The students were introduced to the basics of Beach Cleaning and the techniques

required for cleaning the beach by representatives of Nivriti Foundation. At about 6 a.m. the enthusiastic team of students headed towards the beach, identified the spots to be cleaned respective areas which were to be cleaned. They took almost 2 hours to complete cleaning the specific areas of the beach. After 2 hrs, we returned to our hotel rooms and afterwards we had our breakfasts. The students of classes VII and VIII enjoyed this activity a lot and leaned to be responsible citizens.



FAREWELL PROGRAMME, 2025

The long-awaited farewell programme of Class XII students was held on 1st February, 2025 at the Main Campus of Vivekananda Mission School, Joka, leaving behind countless memories, achievements, and challenges experienced during their time at the school. Our Principal, Mrs. Ananya Dutta, addressed the gathering, expressing her pride in

their accomplishments and wishing them success for their future endeavors. Her speech was a concoction of encouragement, nostalgia, and inspiration. The outgoing batch of 2024 presented themselves in their dressed to kill attire. The young ladies glowed in stylish saris whereas the gentlemen carried themselves in classic suits. One of the highlights of the day was the unique and fascinating mode of introducing the sections of class XII leaving everyone surprised. A sense of nostalgia charmed the atmosphere as a series of videos were presented depicting the moments down the memory lanes.



Egg Shell Gardening

This activity was done by the little ones of class II in their own classrooms. They brought the materials, took initiative on their own and enjoyed the activity. The

main objective of using egg shells in gardening is to fertilize plants as egg shells are natural fertilizer that contain calcium and other nutrients that plants need. It also helps to reduce the acidity of the soil.



Educational Excursion

An educational excursion to Sunderbans was organised by the School for the departments of GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY and ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE for the students of classes 11 and 12. The excursion included a comprehensive house-hold survey of the villages where honey collection and fishing are performed. The students spoke to the villagers and learnt about the sustainable practices with most important being the rainwater harvesting. They also came to know about the challenges the villagers face due to changing environmental conditions. A short tribal dance entertained the students in the evening. This was followed by a visit to the Bonobibi Temple, dedicated to the guardian deity Bonobibi, who is considered as the protector of the forest and its people. This excursion left a lasting impact regarding the importance of preserving such an unique culture and environment.



Graduation Day

Graduation Day for kids is a ceremony that celebrates the completion of preschool. We are glad to announce that these little ones are now ready to take on the next challenges.



Visit to the Sea Explorer's Institute Centre for Maritime Training

On 12th March, 2025 Five students from Vivekananda Mission School went to the Sea Explorer's Institute Centre for Maritime Training, Research & Exploration located at Outram Ghat. Topic was 'Why are Tigers migrating?' Timing for the workshop was from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Dr. Sangita Mitra was the resource person who is the Director of WWF (World Wildlife Fund) India WBSO. Students who had joined the workshop were from different classes VIII, IX & XI. The Resource person gave a detailed information about the reason behind calling tiger as our national animal. She also explained the difference between Tiger and Leopard. They planted some mangrove plants near their institute named mangrove date palm, flat leafed spurred mangrove. Students observed them and understood the objective very well. They received participation certificate after this enriching session.



In-house Workshop

The workshop conducted on 7th March, 2025 by Special Educator, Mr. Pritam Kumar Bera, was an enlightening and engaging experience. The session began with an introduction to the concept of inclusive education, emphasizing the importance of creating a supportive and accepting learning environment for all students, regardless of their abilities or disabilities. Teachers learned about the importance of differentiated instruction in inclusive education, including strategies for adapting curriculum, instruction, and assessment to meet the diverse needs of children.



Navigating a Child's Behaviour and Emotions

The workshop conducted on 12th March, 2025 by Sudeshna Sister emphasized on the Importance of Navigating a Child's Behaviour and Emotions Valuable insights on how to regulate children's behaviours and manage their emotions were shared. She highlighted some of the common behaviours displayed by children in the classroom. Discussions took place underlying the reasons

behind these common behaviours. The importance of the teacher's body language and overall behaviour while dealing with difficult situations was explained. Sister elaborated on the importance of focusing on the requirements of the individual students, along with dealing with their day to day class activities

In-House Workshop

Senior School Counsellor Anamika Sen conducted a series of insightful workshops for the teachers, focusing on work-life balance and rejuvenation. On March 13, 2025, teachers from Nursery I to Class IV participated in a session titled "Work-Life Balance and Me." The workshop provided valuable strategies to maintain a healthy balance between professional responsibilities and personal well-being. On March 17, 2025, teachers from Classes V-VIII, and on March 18, 2025, teachers from Classes IX-XII attended the session on "A Step Towards Rejuvenation." In these sessions she addressed issues like managing stress, and fulfilling professional commitments while prioritizing self-care. The workshops were highly appreciated, leaving teachers feeling refreshed and motivated to begin the new academic session on a positive note. This initiative by the school was very much appreciated by the teaching faculties.



ACHIEVEMENTS

DANCE AND SINGING

TTIS Challenge, 2025 was held at City Center 1, Salt Lake from 23th-25th January, 2025.

31 students from our school participated in various off stage and on stage events.

Rangan Maity accompanied by **Sarthak Biswas** of class **VIII** ; **Rajrswari Choudhury** of class **VII** accompanied by **Sagnik Panda** of class **VIII** were selected for the final round of Western Solo

Aditri Ganguly (II J) secured 3rd position in Singing Competition.

Eugene Roshmi (Transition C) secured 3rd position in Music Competition 2024 on Rabindrasangeet organised by Kusumkunja

Riyansika Paul of II J secured 1st position in Rabindra Sangeet and 2nd position in Folk song.

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Abhiraj Ghosh secured 3rd position in Najrulgiti at Sarbabharatiya Sangeet O Sanskriti Parishad.

Sarbabharatiya Sangeet O Sanskriti Parishad it was district wise (South 24 pgs) competition.

Eugene Roshmi of Transition C secured 2nd position in Rabindra Sangeet in District wise Online Cultural Competition 2024 from South 24 Parganas district, organised by Sarbabharatiya Sangeet -O -Sanskriti Parishad.



SCIENCE AND QUIZ

On 25th January students from classes V to VIII appeared for **Mathematics Quanta Optima 2024-2025 Examination**. An aptitude Test of 40 marks was

taken in both the campuses. 36 students were declared recipient of Prizes along with Digital Certificates.

1st Prize Winners
Abhigyan Chowdhury V D
Riddhiman Das V D
Upanshu Mahato VI D
Arindam Guria VII I
Suvayu Hazra VIII A
Rishab Patra VIII B
Saptak Khatua VIII C
Abhra Mandal VIII C
Aadhyaya Pramanik VIII C
Ayan Dey VIII D
Debatreya Das VIII E
Rihan Ali Sekh VIII F
Mainak Naskar VIII G
Debdipta Jana VIII H

2nd Prize Winners
Navonil Maity V B
Rishi Rajon Ghosh VI H
Arya Mandal VII F
Aahin Sikder VII G
Amborish Mondal VII G
Archisman Bakali VIII C
Diptorshi Bhattacharya VIII E
Samriddhi Singh VIII F
Sunrit Mandal VIII G

3rd prize winners
Rohit Sinha V H
Aarjya Bhattacharyya V b
Shreyaan Banerjee VI D
SAYAK DEY VI D
Arpan Das VII H
Naman Roy VIII A
Drisana Das VIII B
Rituja Mitra VIII C
Nishan Ghosh VIII E
Koushik Dasgupta VIII F
Saanvi Rana VIII F
Partho Sarathi Mahata VIII G
Supreeto Pal VIII G

On 21 st February, a Quiz Competition was held for Class 2 students, where all participants showcased exceptional talent in General Knowledge.

1st position - **Kinshuk Halder (Sec-A)**

Adwit Bal (Sec-B)

2nd position - **Debadrit Gayen (Sec E)**

Ayush Ghosh (Sec-F)

3rd position - **Amritorooop**

Chakraborty (Sec K)

Ishan Parida (Sec L)

CONNECT TECH -UEM TECHNICAL BONANZA 2025

21 students from VMS participated in the event accompanied by Sayanta Karmakar sir & Sourav Pyne sir. organised by UEM on 11 th of January ,2025. 58 schools and more than 600 students in total participated in these events. Our students bagged accolades in the events Pythagoras Pro, Pythagoras Star (Math aptitude) and Nitmana(Science Model Making).Pythagorus pro - 1 st prize - Souriddha Mondal 2 nd Prize- Ankit GangulyPythagorus Star - Appreciation award - Arunabha Saha Nirmana - 3rd prize- Arkabrata RoySrijita Chakraborty Archisman Mazunder All the students have received certificates and they are really looking forward to participating in next year.

ART

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31 students from our school participated in various off stage and on stage events.

In the off stage event, Abhirup Deshmukh of class XI secured the 3rd position in Portrait painting senior category

Aarya Hati (I E) was the Champion in 'East Creativity Contest - Save Water, Save Life'
Bihan Manna (I B) stood 2nd in 'East Creativity Contest - Save Water, Save Life'

Aadrik Dutta (I K) secured 1st position in 'East Creativity Contest - Save Water, Save Life'

Debashmi Roy (IV J) was declared the Champion in 'East Creativity Contest - Save Water, Save Life'

Eugene Roshmi (Transition C) secured 3rd position in Sit and Draw Competition 2024 on Indian Traditional Painting

Afshin Inaaya (I A) secured 2nd and 5th and 5th positions in Drawing Competition.

Debamalya Pramanick of I C bagged 1st position in Sit & Draw competition.

Sarsuna Brahaman Welfare Society organised Drawing competition. **Arush Bhattacharjee of class II B**, secured 2nd position.

Sannidhyo Santra of II C secured 1st position in Drawing competition at Charukala Art Festival 2024.

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RECITATION

Rayasree Roy (IV J) - 8th position in 'Abritti Charcha'

Priyadarshini Ghosh of Nursery II F secured 1st position Recitation (Oitijyer Onuronon Panchakobi Swaran, 2024).

Adrit Dutta of class: I, section: J participated in Recitation competition which was organised by Behala Arunoday Samity. Aadrit bagged the special award for his overall performance.

Aadrita Dutta of class: I, section: J participated in Recitation competition which was organised by Behala Arunoday Samity. Aadrita bagged the 2nd position.



SPORTS

U-10 Football Tournament was organised by Accolade Sports Group at Mohemedan Sporting Ground from 23rd to 25th January 2025.

16 schools participated in this tournament.

VMS Football Team received Runners -Up Trophy.

Srinjay Barua from Class IIB got 3 awards - Man of the Match trophy as well as Highest Scorer Trophy also.

VMS Football Team

1. Sk. Yumn - IIB

2. Srinjay Barua - IIB

3. Adrik Sau - IIB

4. Tanveer Sinha Roy - IIIB

5. Hriddhito Sahoo - IIIB

6. Tasin Rahaman - IIIC

7. Shitez Dasgupta - IIIG

8. Pushpak Das - IIID

9. Arunangshu Gayen - IIIE

Abhra Mondal (VIII C) won 2nd Runner Up trophy in Grand Master Level C of SIP Abacus Prodigy State Level Competition. This is **Abhra's** 5th time achievement.

Shuvangi Das (IX H) participated in 10th All-Bengal Invitation Basketball Tournament organized by Alipore Sports Club. She secured the second position and was awarded as a promising player.

Debashmi Roy (IV J) secured 3rd runner up position in Chess Competition.

Aharshi Baidya (VIII D) received Gold Medal and Black Belt in All India Seishinkai Shito- Ryu Karate Du Federation.

Anjaneya Majumdar (I H) secured 1st position in Swimming Competition (kids Section).

Tannishtha Biswas of II L received 3rd position in Inter District Open Contact Karate Tournament.

Ainesh Kumar Dutta of I J was felicitated as the Youngest to represent West Bengal scoring 3 points in 9 rounds, ranked 201 at the National U7 Chess Championship.

Ainesh Kumar Dutta of Class: I, section J participated in 8th ALL BENGAL AGE GROUP RAPID CHESS TOURNAMENT 2024, organised by Baruipur Chess Academy. He bagged the 3rd position in U6 Category.

Aniket Das of class - III, section - J participated in INTERNATIONAL FIDE RATED OPEN RAPID CHESS TOURNAMENT (2024). He became the Champion.

Ainesh Kumar Dutta of Class I J secured 4th position in U-6 category in All Bengal Age Group Rapid Chess Tournament 2024.

Shrihan Pati of class VII E has secured 1st position in kata and 3rd position in kumite in Karate Tournament.

Sankalpa Mondal of VII E bagged 3 Gold & 1 Silver medals in Inter Dojang Marital Art Championship 2024.

He was also declared the best fighter of the tournament in junior category.

Ainesh Kumar Dutta of I J secured 5th position in U8 Category in ALL BENGAL OPEN RAPID TOURNAMENT 2024.

Ishan Gayen of IV D received Silver Medal in Techo India Sports Meet.

Shayaree Chakraborty of IV A ranked 3rd in Long Jump at Techno India Sports Meet.

Debarati Roy of III-I received Scholarship in dance performance and bronze in karate examination.





OLYMPIADS

Abik Mandal of IV A received Certificate of Appreciation (Spell-A-Thon Olympiad).

Sudiksha Bera of II H secured 2nd Runner up position in Spell-A-Thon Olympiad.

Ulka Guin of I F secured 4th Runner up position in Spell-A-Thon Olympiad.

Debamalya Pramanick of I C secured 4th Runner up position in Spell-A-Thon Olympiad.

Adwit Bal of II B secured 3rd Runner up position in Spell-A-Thon Olympiad.

Afshin Inaaya of I A secured 3rd Runner up position in Spell-A-Thon Olympiad.

Agomoni Dutta of I E secured 3rd Runner up position in Spell-A-Thon Olympiad.

Oshan Ghosh of class III L received Appreciation Award at the Spell-A-Thon Olympiads.

MISCELLANEOUS

AGMNC 2024-25 (ALL GIRLS MATHS NURTURE CAMP 2024-25) was held at Azim Premji University, Bangalore for girls passionate about Mathematics. Girl students from 23 states across India were selected to be a part of this camp. **Aruna Sinha of Class IX F** and **Rabbhya Singh of class VIIIA** had cleared the all India online test for enrollment to the camp. Total 3 students from West Bengal got the chance to enroll for this week long camp out of which two students were from VMS.

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Shomoyita Das of class IX was also qualified for the final round of X-Factor.

In the final round, **Shomoyita Das of class IX** secured the 3rd position in the event X-Factor.

JEE MAINS 2025 Toppers
Sabique Ibn Khan 99.801
Arunit Mondal 99.52
Parag Bose 99.46
Diyasha Biswas 97.79
Joyjeet Mitra 97.49
Subham Pan 97.38

Dripto Sarkar (III J) was 2nd runner up in 16th West Bengal UCMAS State Championship in D2 category.

Amritorooop Chakraborty (II K) - 2nd Runner up in UCMAS Abacus State Level Competition.



Toshaan Chakraborty of II H participated in Wiz National Spell Bee State Level Competition securing 14th rank. He also secured 40th rank in 15th National Mega Final Wiz National Spell Bee.

Arnik Basak of I G secured 3rd position in Telekids by The Telegraph.

Neelansh Seth of Transition I got 2nd prize in Tatoo Competition.

Ujaan Chatterjee of class III G has been awarded with the Performer Award in 21st International SIP Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Contest 2024 in Advance level 3.

Prahan Dey II J secured 2nd runner up position in 21st International SIP Abacus Competition organised by SIP International Prodigy, 2024.

Kanushi Bhaumik of Class I D bagged 4th position in Drawing compilation for Jagadhatri Puja organised by Joychandipur New Generation Club.

Srijeeta Dey of Class VIII B won the 2nd runner up position at the International SIP Abacus Prodigy Competition.

Souhardya Ray of class VII F secured 3rd runner up position at the International SIP Abacus Prodigy Competition 2024.

Oshan Ghosh of class III L participated in National Mega Final of Wiz National Spell Bee 2023-24 and secured 42nd position.

Rishik Kar of I E secured Runner Up position at the EduJunior all India National Painting Competition.

Ishan Parida of II L bagged the 1st position (Gold Medal) in school and 3rd position (Bronze Medal) in National Level at the ISB Spell Bee Bangla.



Parishi Basu of III K qualified for the 3rd and final State Level National Arithmetic Genius Contest organised by SIP ABACUS.

Pritisha Parida of I B was declared the Winner at SIP Arithmetic Genius Competition, All India Inter-School Contest.

Dihan Mazumdar of I D won the 2nd round of SIP Arithmetic Genius All India Inter-School Contest 2024.



Prajna Adhikari (III F) was declared 2nd Runner Up in SIP Regional Prodigy 2024 West Bengal, organised by SIP ABACUS at Netaji Indoor Stadium.

Nevan Mukherjee (III G) secured 47th rank in the West-Bengal State Level Grand Finale of WIZ NATIONAL SPELL BEE 2023-2024. He was also declared 1st Runner Up position in SIP ABACUS Intra Center Competition.

