



From the Principal's Desk

It is indeed a joy to wish and greet each one of you during this festive season! Festivals are a time when the whole family comes together- there is happiness and joy when people gather with the intent of praying and celebrating as one. Even as we celebrate with prayers, rich food, new clothes and meeting people – let us always remember to say a word of thanks to the elderly. They represent the roots and memories of the people. It is no ordinary task to advance in age and grow in wisdom.

They are a treasure to our children – the most priceless gift that we can bestow on them, is the warm relationship they share with grandmothers and grandfathers. The love and undivided attention the elderly can bestow on their grandchildren goes a long way in making the younger generation grow in confidence and be enriched with stories and experiences of a different era. There could be many homes where our parents are aged. It is good that our children see how we look after the elderly, and caring for them is the most beautiful way a child can learn to value life and nourish a spirit of empathy for all people around them.

On 29th October we are celebrating Grandparents' day at Ryan International Academy- Sarjapur! A day dedicated to the rich bond between a grandparent and grandchild. We also focus our attention to all the elderly who are not so privileged to have a home and support of family.

"The best classroom in the world is at the feet of the elderly" So let us as parents and guardians give our children every opportunity to spend time with the elderly.

"Do not tell them how to do it. Show them how to do it and do not say a word. If you tell them, they will watch your lips move. If you show them, they will want to do it themselves."- Maria Montessori

Let us as a community strive to be people of action and kind deeds rather than that of eloquent words alone - and set examples before our children.

May Blessings be upon you and family today and every day! With a special prayer for the elderly.

Best wishes and prayers for the success of all endeavors made to the building of our future leaders!!

- Ms. Saina Mary Antony
Principal, RIA Sarjapur

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Quote of the month

“To make an elderly person happy is the noblest act a young person can ever do!”

- Mehmet Murat

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EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES AT SCHOOL

Events

Swimming Pool Inauguration

We believe in the all-round development of the child. Education of the heart and mind within a fit and healthy body.

To further our Vision, we added swimming to the list of sports we offer our children. The swimming pool at Ryan International Academy Sarjapur was inaugurated by Shrihari Nataraj who is an Indian Swimmer - National record holder in backstroke, Tokyo Olympic Participant along with many more achievements.



Teacher's Day

On September 5th 2022, the birth anniversary of Dr. Radhakrishnan is celebrated as Teachers' Day. He was a great teacher, philosopher, scholar and renowned diplomat. On this occasion, the students of all grades, Mont to grade V, gathered at a common area, with their teachers seated and had such lovely performances for their teachers. They had dance, action songs and music to show their love and appreciation for their teachers. A special thanks to our administration team who took the initiative to organise the event. Each teacher was specially appreciated and felicitated by the students with so much enthusiasm. The teachers got a rejuvenating break from their everyday routine.

Visit of Mr. Ryan Pinto

On 10th October 2022, Ryan International Academy, Sarjapur, was honoured by the visit of our CEO Mr. Ryan Pinto. There was a special assembly, followed by a message from Ryan Sir to all the Students. He mentioned about how precious and dearly loved each child is. This day also witnessed the South Zone admission managers and Principal's meet which was held at the RIAS campus.

World First Aid Day

The day is recognized worldwide to promote the significance of first aid, which is an important fundamental skill, and to create awareness on a global level about how it can save precious lives. The day was first introduced by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC).

At Ryan International Academy, Sarjapur, the students of grade 2 enacted a role play showcasing the different scenarios that require a first aid and how to do it. Children got an understanding about how they should stay safe from sharp and hot objects and if hurt, how they have to help the injured person immediately.

Students enacted various circumstances that they encounter during their day to day lives like getting a cut while chopping vegetables or fruits, burns when cooking, deeper wound falling from the cycle and getting a sprain when playing outdoors. They spoke about antiseptic liquids and ointments. Students also explained the first aid box and how each item in the box should be used as per the injury. It was an informative experience for children and they enjoyed the show.

ACTIVITIES

Hindi Diwas

Every year Hindi Diwas is observed on September 14th. The day is dedicated to the Hindi language since it was announced as the official language of the Union of India. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India, had officially declared 14th September as the Hindi Diwas.

On this occasion, the students of Ryan International Academy had a special assembly on September 14th for Hindi Diwas. The students of grade 5 presented a speech about Hindi Diwas. The students of grade 4 sang the song Hum Honge Kaamyab with a lot of enthusiasm. The students of grade 2 and 3 presented a Hindi poetry 'Ji Karta Joker Ban Jaaun' and 'Kudrat' respectively. A story 'Haathi aur Darji' was presented by Manas of grade 1. Children got an understanding about the importance of our national language and Hindi Diwas.



The International Day of Non-Violence:

The birthday of Mahatma Gandhi, Father of our Nation, October 2nd is observed as the International Day of Non-Violence worldwide. Students of Ryan International Academy, Sarjapur, celebrated this day on 6th October 2022.

The students were made to understand the significance and importance of this day. They were shown a presentation that explained the significance of the non-violence movement and the struggles of our freedom fighters.

Later, students drew a doodle drawing of Mahatma Gandhi and also wrote about the values he followed.

NATIONAL POST DAY

National Post Day is celebrated on October 10th every year. This is an extension of World Post Day which is celebrated on 9th October. It is celebrated to emphasise the eminent role played by the Indian



ACTIVITIES

Postal department for over 150 years. On National Post Day, we honour and recognise the hard work of postal employees who deliver mail and packages to our doorsteps irrespective of weather conditions.

At Ryan International Academy, the Mont children were shown a video on National Post Day and were explained the important role played by the postal employees. They were explained how the postal services help us in sending letters, parcels and notices to different locations without delay.

As a community helper, the contribution of postal staff during the global COVID pandemic is remarkable. They helped in transporting medicines, COVID-19 testing kits and medical packages across the globe.

Our Mont children were educated about the oldest mode of communication.



Indian Air Force Day

Indians proudly celebrate October 8th as the day to pay tribute to the air warriors of Indian Air Force (IAF) who tirelessly defend the nation. Indian Air Force also known as "Bhartiya Vayu Sena" is the air arm of the Indian Armed Forces.

This day is celebrated to commemorate the inception of the Air Force in India to aid the Army that was fighting on the land. The Indian Air Force has become the world's premier aerospace force. Its mission is to defend the nation through the control and exploitation of air and space.

The students of RYAN International Academy, Sarjapur, celebrated this day on 11th October. They were given an insight about the Indian Air Force and their dedicated service to the nation. As a part of the celebration, students enthusiastically participated in various activities like making Appreciation Cards for the Indian Air Force and designing Logo for the Indian Air Force.



ACTIVITIES

Mid Term PTM

Parent Teacher Meeting is considered as a crucial aspect of a student's academic life. It is a platform where teachers and parents come together to build a safe and holistic environment for the child to progress.

The 2nd PTM at Ryan International Academy, Sarjapur was conducted on 15th October for all the grades. After understanding and evaluating the students for an entire term, meaningful insights and inputs were shared with the parents with an intent to help students move ahead scholastically and co – scholastically. There was also a display of various hands-on activities created by the students related to science, Innovation Academy, Maths and art. Parents were really elated to see all the creativity expressed by our budding Ryanites and learning more each day.

• Student's Day

World Students' Day is celebrated on October 15th since the date marks the birthday of India's former president, late Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam. Dr. Kalam was called the missile man of India. The children made a variety of rockets using different materials which brought out their creativity and imagination.

• Math Assembly

The grade 5 students performed a role play during math assembly to understand the concept of types of angles. The angles are connected to the edges of a colourful pizza cut-out. This was a fun and engaging way to teach children the concept of angles. The children displayed various types of angles using hand movements.

Rhythm and music can be a way to memorise the concepts of Math! Grade 3 students used their musical intelligence to help everyone understand the concept of long division. They learnt the relationship between quotient, remainder, divisor and dividend as well.



ACADEMICS

Tie-Dyeing by Grade 4 students

Students of grade 4 dyed their clothes as a part of a science experiment. They used a traditional tie-dyeing method of dyeing the fabric by hand in which coloured patterns are produced in the fabric. Tie-dyeing is done by gathering together many small portions of the fabric and tying them tightly together with a string before immersing the cloth in the dye bath. The dye fails to penetrate the tied sections. After drying, the fabric is untied to reveal irregular circles, dots and stripes. Varied varieties of colours and patterns are produced by repeated tying and dipping in additional colours. This method of hand dyeing is common in India and Indonesia which has eventually been revolutionized to be done by using machines.



Beginning of telephones

The students of grade 5 made paper cup phones to talk to each other! This activity was conducted as an extension of learning of an English chapter. Children learnt about the first telephones and the evolution of the phones to the kind of smartphones that we have today. They also understood how the string phones work by transferring the sound waves vibrating the bottom of the cup and the vibrations transferring through the string, and into the bottom of the other cup. They also learnt about how to begin conversations when talking on the phone.



COMPETITIONS

Tourism

Children from grades 1-5 had a competition to make scrapbook about their favourite tourist destination. Tourism is travelling for pleasure and students enjoyed working on their scrapbooks by collecting and reliving their memories during their trips. They collected information about the places they visited and also learnt more about the historical and cultural importance of that particular place. They collected photographs and souvenirs of the place and shared their enriching travel experiences through their scrapbooks.



Field Trips

The students of grade 1 had an enriching field trip to the Post Office. The objective of this field trip was to understand the functioning of a post office. The students got an opportunity to see the different departments in the post office and understand the journey a letter or post card undertakes from the sender to the receiver. The students wrote a post card to their parents and posted it. They were filled with excitement with the thought that their parents will get a surprise letter from them. The students received the letters to their homes in a few days and had fulfilled tales to talk about the same.



CELEBRATIONS

Diwali

With the excitement of the festive season in the air, Diya Painting Activity was organized for the students of Mont under the vision point - 'Values, Art and Culture' given by our Respected Chairman Sir, Dr. A. F Pinto and Managing Director Madam, Dr. Grace Pinto. Children displayed their creativity by beautifully painting the Diyas. They also learnt the significance of lighting Diyas on Diwali.



Brown Day Celebration

Mont children celebrated Brown colour with a lot of enthusiasm by engaging in various activities. Mont 1 students identified brown animals and food items from the worksheet.

Little brown monkey puppets were made by the students of Mont 2, which was later used by them to tell a story. Different shades of brown cookies and biscuits were shown to the students of Mont 3, the ingredients used to prepare the cookie, along with the nutritive value was discussed by the teachers.



HEALTH SAFETY CHILD PROTECTION

Workshop on Being different is beautiful

A one-hour workshop was conducted for students of grades 4 and 5 on the following topics on 16th September 2022:

- Being different is beautiful and respecting each other
- Anti-Bullying
- Safe and Unsafe touch

Being different does not make you an outsider, it makes you unique and makes you stand out while looking into an unchanged world. Being different is beautiful.

Children were made to understand the importance and value of respecting each other's uniqueness. There were given different case studies and real-life examples of how respecting each other is essential to have happy relationships with friends, parents, teachers, neighbours, etc. To help children understand further, they were made to walk around and smile and whisper to each other 'I respect you'.

Bullying, long tolerated as 'just a part of growing up', has been recognized as a major and preventable health problem. Children were made to understand with different case studies and videos the association of bullying with anxiety, depression, poor school performance, and future delinquency among its targets. Bullying also can have harmful effects on children who engage in bullying behaviors, on bystanders, on school climates, and on society at large. Most importantly, children were made to understand how they can prevent bullying at school and what they should do when they see someone getting bullied.

The students understood the concept about safe and unsafe touch which was explained to them in a simplified manner by showcasing the movie 'KOMAL'. Children were made to realize that it is important to take the responsibility of themselves and their body. They were made to understand about their private body parts and what would be safe and unsafe touch. The goal was to made them recognize and handle any difficult situations that life puts their way. The workshop also dwelled on the urgent need to empower young children to report any abuse.

Safe and Unsafe touch

The well-being program was conducted on 14.10.2022 for grades 2 to 5 students. Students understood the concept about safe and unsafe touch which was explained by the psychotics from Fortis Hospital to them in a simplified manner. Children understands about their private body parts and understands about what would be safe and unsafe touch.



Art Corner

Learning art and crafts doesn't just foster the creative development of a child, but also assists in advancing and refining his or her core skills, which in fact goes towards boosting academic achievement as well.



STUDENT'S CORNER

Precious School Days

School days are the most precious gifts. It is filled with happiness with unforgettable moments. After two years of pandemic, I joined a new school. The name of the school is Ryan International Academy. I got excited during my first visit to the school campus, especially after seeing the sports facilities. I remember my first presentation in my class, when I presented, I felt very confident. Every day I learn new things and enjoy them with my friends.

My school has world class facilities for academics and extracurricular activities. The classrooms are big and decorated beautifully with different artwork. The teachers use smartboards. Every day a new word is taught to improve our vocabulary. Last but not the least, I am blessed with wonderful teachers. Our teachers love us and they teach us in simple ways so we can understand well. Whenever I find it difficult to understand anything, they explain it to me again happily. I am proud to be a student at this school.

- Sreehari
Grade V 'A'





How Digital World has Changed the Way Children Learn

During the pandemic, when the children had only online classes, I have always wondered if the whole system of education is going to be such that the children will only see a virtual teacher. But now, when I look back, I feel that, all happened for a good reason. The education system has to adapt to the experts in this field, which are our students themselves. Only by being more open minded and using the technology myself, I could reach out more effectively to our students. In order to make the learning process more fun and engaging, it has been a great idea to use technology in our classrooms.

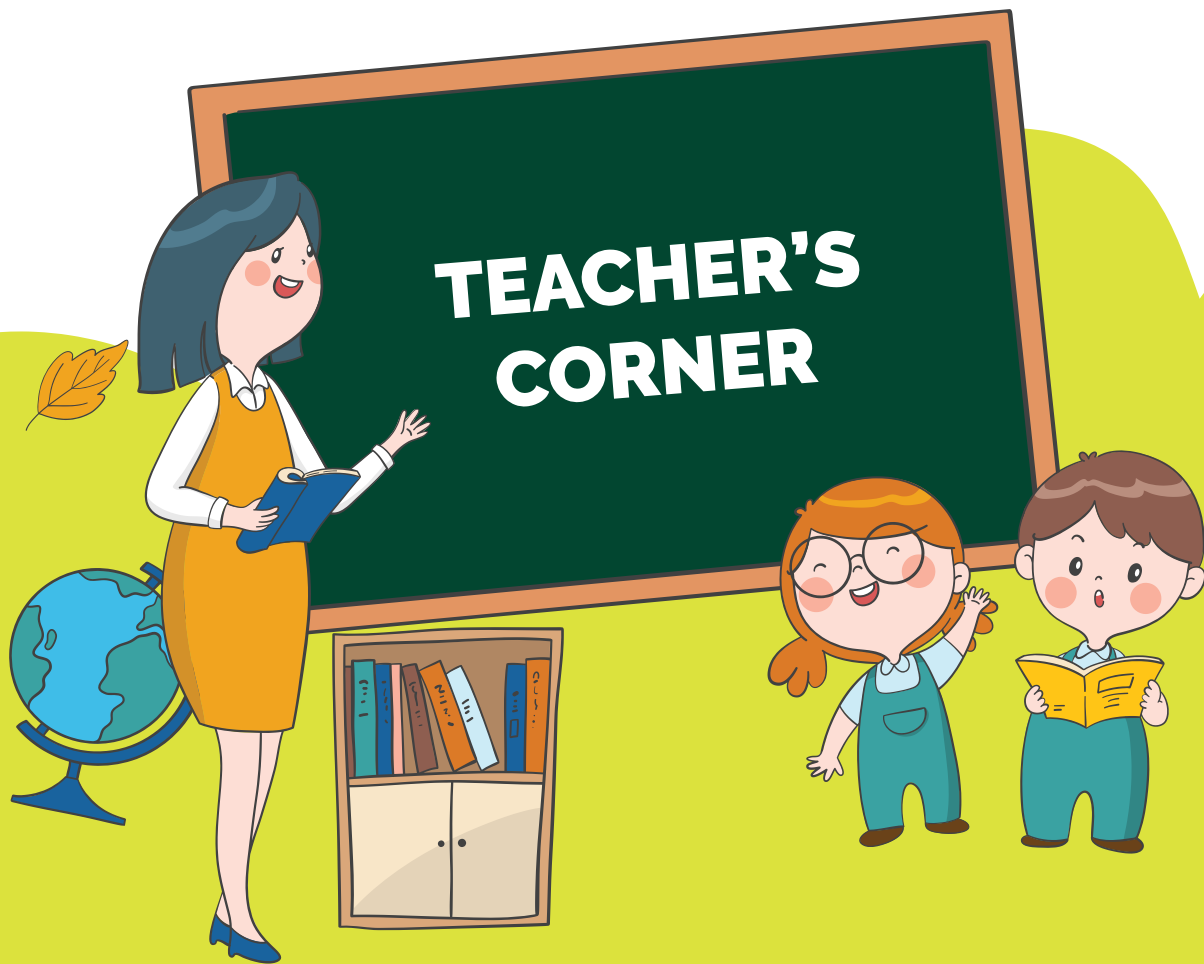
This technology has empowered children, parents and teachers to think from different perspectives and to share their views in an open-minded manner.

We cannot fully refrain our children from using technology, instead we should teach them to use it more responsibly. There are a few precautions which we as adults should take when our children use their digital devices. The devices when used for purposes other than online classes should be used in the common areas of the house like the living room and not in their bedroom. Children can use social media to connect with their friends but should be monitored. Social media is a wonderful means of communication for our children and also for adults but let us not overlook the need for the child to interact personally with their peers, grandparents, neighbours and all the other people around them. We are all born as social beings and let us not forget the importance of connecting in person with people around us.

We at our school are striving hard to teach our students the key word to everything which is “balance”. Balance in the use of technology, being social and learning how to value personal social relationships over social media.

History has shown us that no matter how strong the resistance, technological progress and new trends will eventually become a standard. Social media is a big part of our life. We at Ryan are also trying to use technology for better communication with parents, among teachers and with all the well-wishers of our school.

- Ms. Teresa Paul,
Social Science Teacher, Grades 3 - 5



Quality Time

Setting aside time to play with your child helps forge bonds and strong foundations for future conversations on the bigger topics. This one-on-one focused time communicates to a child that they matter to you.” - Collett Smart

How much quality time do we really spend with our children?

By quality time I mean giving them your undivided attention, doing what they like to do. Life is busy and with increasing demands in today’s time, it can be difficult to create a healthy work –life balance. It can be frustrating not being able to spend enough time with your child, further leading one to feel guilty especially among working parents.

Instead of worrying about how many minutes you spent, focus on turning those minutes into moments that matter. Simple steps like prioritizing your time and sharing some responsibility with your partner, have a daily connect time with your child. Play with them, read to them, cook or take a walk with them, it shows your child that you care about things that matter to them, which is the basis for a strong relationship.

Spending quality time is a crucial part of the child’s overall development along with their ability to build healthy relationships with others.

**- Ms. Lavanya K,
Mont II ‘A’ Class Teacher**



PARENT'S CORNER

Children and Education

The system of education is the same for the first 16 years for all children who wish to go to any stream of life - from banking to artistry, and we're being cultured into this kind of life. While we prepare our children for university, nobody prepares them for life.

While our ancient societies used to value knowledge and power, our current society acknowledges the size of the pocket or their 'hold in the society,' Unfortunately, the form of education that is imparted to people today, despite broadening their information capabilities, makes them very narrow in terms of their perception and inclusion of life around them.

It is very important that we look at this because educating a child is not just a teacher's, parent's, or school's business – it is the responsibility of the entire society.

Between the ages of ten and fifteen, we must have a process in the education system where people can choose. Right now, one reason why everybody wants to go into medicine or engineering is because of social prestige. An electrician or a carpenter must have the same prestige that a doctor or an engineer has. Only then, education will get levelled out.

A school must provide an ambience for the child to interact with their own age group and grow by exposure; above all, to develop a thirst for knowing something new every day.

**- Praveen P Nair,
Parent of Aryan P Nair – Grade III**

Upcoming Events

- Inter House Sports Competition

