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Message from the Head of School

Dear NYA Parents and Community,

Welcome to another edition of our bi-weekly newsletter.



I want to start by saying that the 'Happy School' motto is visible in action and outcome... just ask our children. Every time I get to speak or interact with them, its high fives and smiles. They genuinely love to come to school and are not shy to learn!

"You have plenty of courage, I am sure. All you need is confidence in yourself." (L. Frank Baum, The Wonderful Wizard of Oz)

Never a truer word was said with respect to developing and nurturing young minds at NYA. It is heartwarming to see the level of learning in and around the school and I am incredibly proud of our students' recent accomplishments. In the last week we have seen Kindergarten Graduation, Special Assemblies in foreign languages, Unit of Inquiry presentations and performances. These achievements are a testament to the unwavering efforts and professional dedication of our staff.

As we speed towards the rapidly approaching end of the school year, there is a hive of activity in the classes! Teachers and children are busily working to complete their curriculum while also preparing for the much anticipated Annual Day in May. Read the newsletter for more information and detail.

Respectfully yours,
Anthony Millward

From the desk of VICE PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents,

Greetings!

As we move through the final stretch of April, the school continues to remain vibrant with learning, reflection, and preparation. Over the past two weeks, our students from KG to Grade 6 enthusiastically participated in the Special Assembly on Foreign Language Day, presenting skits, songs, and dances that beautifully reflected moral values, cultural appreciation, and confidence in expression. Their flawless dialogue delivery and poise in conversing in Spanish and French spoke volumes about the children's innate curiosity and keen interest in exploring new languages. It was heartening to witness our young learners engage so meaningfully in multilingual performances that celebrated global mindedness and collaboration.

At the same time, the school has been actively engaged in strengthening academic quality through formal classroom observations based on Danielson's Framework for Teaching, which supports reflection on planning, classroom environment, instructional practices, and professional responsibilities. These observations continue to help teachers refine their practice and ensure high-quality learning experiences for students. In addition, our ongoing teacher training on differentiated learning has now moved into the implementation stage, with teachers applying strategies to better meet the varied learning needs, readiness levels, and interests of students in their classrooms.

Preparations for Annual Day are now in full swing, and students as well as teachers are working with great enthusiasm to make the event meaningful and memorable. In this regard, parents are kindly requested to inform the class teacher immediately if they or their child will not be attending the Annual Day programme, as this will help the school plan performances and logistics smoothly. As the academic year draws to a close, teachers have also begun the important process of preparing report cards, curating digital portfolios, reviewing student progress, and ensuring timely completion of the syllabus. Alongside this, classrooms are focusing on consolidation of concepts, student reflections, evidence of learning, and readiness for a strong finish to the academic year.

April has also been a significant month for reinforcing student agency and classroom engagement. Across sections, efforts are being made to encourage inquiry, student participation, questioning, and meaningful connections to learning. Teachers are continuing to support children not only in mastering academic concepts but also in building responsibility, independence, communication skills, and reflective habits that are essential for lifelong learning. We remain grateful for your continued partnership and support as we work together to help every child finish the year with confidence, joy, and a strong sense of achievement.

Meet you in the next newsletter!

Warm regards,
Himabindu Ogirala



Kindergarten Graduation

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Celebrating big milestones and little graduates with joy and pride!

The Kindergarten Graduation Celebration was a joyful and memorable occasion for our young learners. The classroom was filled with excitement as the children came together to celebrate an important milestone in their early learning journey.

The students participated enthusiastically in the celebration, showcasing their confidence, happiness and sense of accomplishment. From singing songs to sharing special moments with their peers, each child took pride in being part of this meaningful event. It was heartwarming to see their growth - not only academically, but also socially and emotionally.



Kindergarten Graduation

The in-class setting created a warm and comfortable environment, allowing every child to feel secure and celebrated. The children expressed their joy through smiles, laughter and active participation, making the celebration truly special.

We were also delighted to have our esteemed Vice Principal, Ms. Hima Bindu join us during the celebration. She congratulated the students and shared kind words of appreciation and encouragement, which made the moment even more special for the children. Our Head of Operations, Ms. Santoshi, was also delighted to join us for this special occasion. She handed over the graduation certificates to the students and took photographs with Kindergarten A and B, making the celebration even more memorable for everyone.

This milestone marks the beginning of a new chapter and we are incredibly proud of each child's progress and achievements. It was a beautiful way to honor their journey in kindergarten and create lasting memories together.



Honouring milestones and celebrating bright futures ahead!

Foreign Languages Day

Celebrating languages as bridges to culture, empathy, and global unity!

On 23rd April 2026, our school commemorated International Language Day with remarkable enthusiasm, celebrating the richness of French and Spanish languages and cultures. The occasion featured a dynamic assembly where students eloquently presented poems, songs, and skits, reflecting their linguistic proficiency, creativity, and deep appreciation for global traditions. Their engaging performances highlighted not only the joy of learning and the unwavering support of their teachers but also the vital role of languages in fostering meaningful connections across cultures.

The celebration further underscored essential values such as kindness, inclusivity, and standing firmly against bullying, reinforcing the idea that language is a powerful medium for promoting empathy, understanding, and unity in an interconnected world.



Parent Toddler Update

CLASSROOM UPDATES

Importance of Water Play in Early Childhood

Water play supports toddlers' holistic development by enhancing physical skills, promoting sensory exploration, strengthening cognitive and social learning, and building emotional confidence and independence through purposeful play experiences.

Little NYA explorers enjoyed a joyful pool party where they splashed, played, and had fun in a pool filled with water and colorful balls. They thoroughly enjoyed this fun-filled experience, laughing and engaging with their peers.

Alongside the joy and excitement, they were gently introduced to the importance of water and its role in our daily lives.

This activity supported the development of gross motor skills, sensory exploration, coordination, and social interaction, while also fostering early environmental awareness. It also helped build confidence and encouraged active, purposeful play.



Pre K 3 A Update

Building life skills through everyday learning!

As part of our ongoing theme on clothes, children explored how we care for them in our daily lives. They learned about washing clothes using water and soap to keep them clean and fresh. The children observed how clothes are dried in the sun and understood why sunlight is important. They were also introduced to ironing and how it helps remove wrinkles from clothes.

The children participated in a folding clothes activity, where they practiced folding small items like napkins and clothes, helping develop fine motor skills and a sense of responsibility. Through these fun activities and discussions, they understood the importance of cleanliness and neatness while building awareness of daily routines.



Pre K 4 A Update

Building confident readers, one joyful station at a time!

This week, our young learners explored reading through engaging stations designed to build confidence and joy in literacy.

- At Station 1, children worked on an alphabet puzzle, strengthening their understanding of sound sequences.
- At Station 2, they practiced reading sight words, reinforcing recognition and fluency.
- At Station 3, children played a fun phonics game, decoding their own CVC words flash cards

These activities helped students gain confidence in reading by recognizing sounds, remembering sight words, and creating words independently. Step by step, they are becoming enthusiastic and capable readers!



Pre K 4 B Update

Hands-on learning, building skills one activity at a time!

Learners engaged in a variety of hands-on activities including addition with cubes and number mats, picture matching and vocabulary sorting, and sentence writing in journals.

They also explored creative construction with blocks, worked on number strip puzzles for ordering numbers, completed a rainbow number sequencing activity, and practiced number bonds to strengthen their early math understanding.

Nursery A Update

End of Unit Celebration – Transportation (Airport Theme)

Our little nursery stars had a wonderful time celebrating the end of our Transportation Unit! The classroom turned into a fun mini airport where children pretended to be pilots, passengers, and helpers.

They enjoyed simple activities like “boarding” a plane, carrying tiny bags, and learning about airplanes through play. It was full of smiles, excitement, and lots of imagination! We are so happy to see our young learners exploring, playing, and learning together. Thank you for your support!

Up, up, and away to more fun learning adventures!



Nursery B Update

Little travelers soaring through learning and imagination!

The children are actively engaged in a creative airport role-play activity where they pretend to check in with tickets and passports, board an airplane, and interact with their peers, helping them develop communication skills, social interaction, imagination, and an understanding of real-life travel experiences in a fun and meaningful way.



Grade 1 Update

Learning care and kindness through pawsitive experiences!

Our little learners had a wonderful time during a special guest session with Ms. Pranathi, a Grade 1 parent! The classroom turned into an engaging space where children explored the life cycle of living things, what causes them to change, and the responsibilities humans have towards them.

They enjoyed learning about the life cycle of a dog and understood how all living things grow and change over time. They also explored what causes these changes, such as food, care, and environment. Along with this, learners discovered the importance of nutritious food, grooming, basic training, and play for a dog's happiness and well-being. They also learned about vaccinations, regular check-ups, and how to be gentle and safe around dogs. The session helped them understand the importance of showing care, kindness, and respect towards dogs.

It was full of curiosity, excitement, and thoughtful learning moments!

We are so happy to see our young learners exploring, caring, and learning together.



Grade 2 Update

Bringing words to life through fun, acting, and discovery!

Learners had a super fun and lively time engaging in a role-play activity similar to dumb charades! Working in pairs, they picked chits with words (like "bat") and creatively acted out two different meanings of the same word.

The classroom was full of excitement as everyone eagerly guessed what was being shown. This joyful and energetic activity made it easy for learners to explore and understand homonyms, discovering how one word can have multiple meanings depending on the context.



Some of our top singers gathered for a special lesson on performance technique. The lesson included microphone placement, body movement and facial expression. Looking great, musicians!

Music Update

Shining on stage with confidence and performance skills!

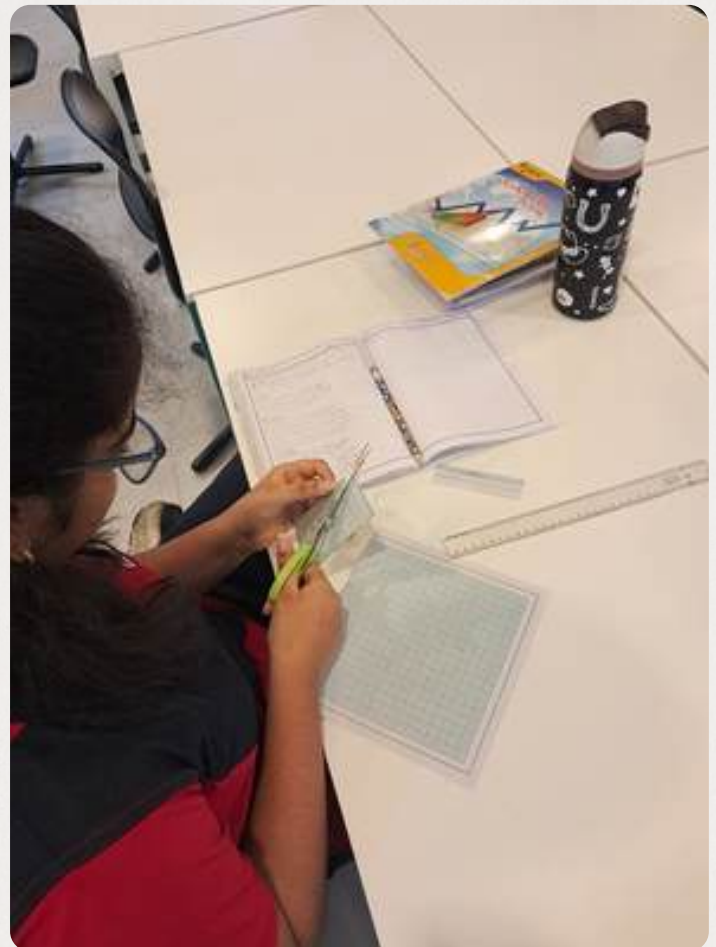
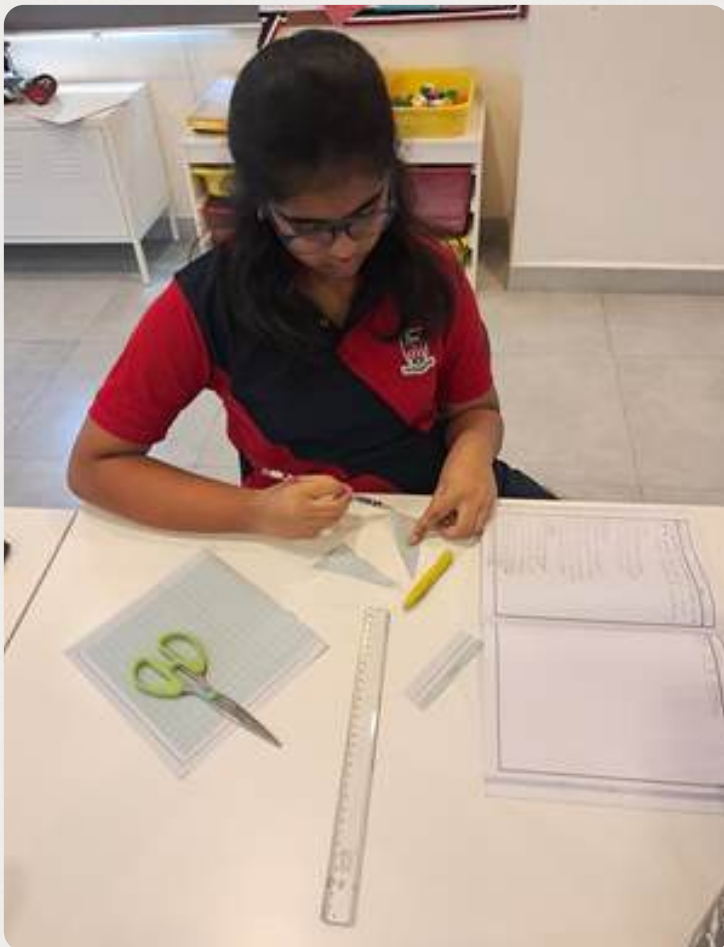
Grade 6 Update

Discovering math through hands-on exploration!

Our Grade 6 students recently engaged in an exciting hands-on Mathematics investigation to explore and understand why the area of a triangle is half the area of its corresponding rectangle. Through an interactive learning experience, students carefully drew rectangles on grid paper, measured dimensions, and then cut each rectangle diagonally to form two congruent triangles.

By placing the two triangles on top of each other and comparing them with the original rectangle, students were able to kinesthetically observe that the two triangles together exactly make one rectangle. This practical exploration helped them discover that the area of one triangle is therefore half the area of the rectangle with the same base and height. Such experiential learning opportunities allow students to move beyond memorizing formulas and instead build deep conceptual understanding through inquiry, observation, and active participation. It was wonderful to see students collaborating enthusiastically, applying measurement skills, and developing confidence in mathematical reasoning.

We are proud of their curiosity, engagement, and willingness to learn through exploration.



This Week in Pictures



THANK YOU!