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# The awaited rain ...



I watched the rain with curiosity  
The fresh coolness of the air  
took over me  
Reviving my memories  
Yet my mind was blank  
Still; awestruck by the rain

Our preceding magazine was bombarded with feedbacks. Thank you to all for giving us such amazing positive comments which encouraged us to produce more editions. We have taken into account all the negative comments as well, so we could improve even more. I apologize for the mistakes in the previous edition i.e. few spelling and printing errors. But we promise to make amendments.

So what surprises are awaiting you inside this treasure? The editorial board has reported every event happened in Gurukulam, filtered through dormitories for talented

writers, poets and artists and captured live images of various events in the Gurukulam. This exclusive 2 in 1 issue consists of highlights of the second cultural night, CUSAT visit and a short report on 'Drama Kalari'. Furthermore, OBT is releasing its hottest blog and website by the next couple of issues.

For the triumphant publication of this magazine an abundance of hard work, planning, creativity, time and organizing had to be contributed. I would like to acknowledge the credit and my gratitude to our school management. I am grateful to the teachers, students who had been working hard behind the scenes and especially to the editorial board for arranging this edition of Gurukulam magazine.

As we welcome this season of rain, I hope this magazine reveals, revives and refreshes our minds. Please send your feedbacks on

**Joyal Joseph**  
Editor in Charge

## 2nd Gurukulam Cultural Nite

The eve of 24th June was mesmerized with Gurukulam cultural night. It was an event where the Gurukulam boys and girls performed their talents. The distinguished guest of the program was the director of Malayalam film industry M.R.Shyama Prasad who's well known works include 'Ore Kadal', 'Agnisakshi', 'Akale', 'Rithu' and the upcoming 'Electra'. The gathering was addressed by our guru George sir, resident principal Prof: A.X.Edwin and other dignitaries. The program was inaugurated by the lighting of the lamp by all the dignitaries. Students performed marvelous performances which kept the audience at the peak of exuberance. The program also included the "B-B-Q dinner". Everyone enjoyed the program and loved the food.





# Nataka Kalari

The flame of drama has been ignited in Labour India Public School. Established teachers from Calicut University: Assistant Prof: Najumal Shahi, Sri. Maniprasad, Sri. Shinil, Sri. Madhu, Sri. Saran from School of drama Trissur conducted drama lessons on 23rd and 24th of June 2011 for primary and secondary class pupils, aiming to enhance their hidden art of performance. The term 'drama' is attained from the Greek word 'action'. Drama theatre edifies students to execute, enact and establish emotions, rhythm, ideas and messages to stimulate an audience. It bestows students' confidence, enhances communicative skills and sharpens creativity, all in good steps for training them to be tomorrow's leaders.

The closing ceremony was inaugurated by well known film director of Malayalam, Mr. Shyamaprasad who quoted that drama should be included in the curriculum. Addressing the crowd, our guru George sir affirmed that his aspiration to become an actor diverted due to his passion for education and children. Prof. A.X Edwin: the resident principal, Bobby John assistant director, Assistant Professor from school of drama Najumal Shahi, Mukesh sir and student representative Aishwarya. R. Nair also spoke concerning the drama course.

Students of Labour India were privileged to attend the course, adding another experience to their arsenal.





## CUSAT Study Tour

The nuclear scientist known for his love and passion towards kids Dr. Yesh Pal contributed a part of science to the kids known as 'science in society' which was inaugurated in the Cochin University of Science and Technology in the year 1990 during the international science congress. CUSAT (Cochin University of Science and Technology) was visited by enthusiastic Labour Indians of classes XI and XII (science) to endeavor knowledge on science. Students were welcomed by the 3rd director and professor of electronics Mr. K. G Nair. The welcoming speech included a brief description of the trip which was named as 'one day attachment programme'. The exhibition included visit to the physics lab, biology lab, chemistry lab, Mathematics department, computer lab, Science Park and herbal garden. The principle of 'resonance' was explained by Mr. K. G Nair and its practical applications in everyday life such as applications in radio tuning and remote sensing.

Excited by the first sight, we decided to expertise our knowledge. The well trained and intellectual faculty was an added feather to the hat of CUSAT. The sessions in biology, physics, chemistry and mathematics comprised of first hand experience of experiments as well as interactive teachings.

In physics lab several experiments and sophisticated equipments included a spectrometer, terrestrial telescope and a simple equipment to measure the frequency of sound waves produced by a tuning fork. We also measured the focal length of a concave mirror in two different methods. Moving on to the chemistry lab, a friendly teacher explained an experiment to prepare fluorescence with the aid of phthalic acid and alkaline medium. Another experiment conducted was called the Tollen's Reagent test, which is the test for the presence of an aldehyde ( $C=O$  bond) in a substance; the positive result produced a silver mirror. Modern apparatus used in measuring conductivity and PH precisely were also illustrated. In the biology lab we observed many fascinating specimens encompassing rare collections of human skeleton, stuffed pigeon and the skin of rat snake. We witnessed lactobacillus bacteria in microscopic view right to the very detail of its shape and size. Mathematics department was all about first hand experience and the quote 'Play and learn'. In the lesson we played with cube puzzles, platonic figures and tangrams. Stepping into the computer lab we entertained ourselves locating our school on Google Earth and seeing the earth in street view. Adding to the beauty of the classes the science park helped us to understand basic concepts of science in detail by demonstrations. The eye catching mini hydropower and solar power plants were spellbinding. The big hall in CUSAT surrounded with the statues of great scientist ever been on earth including details about their contributions were exegetical.

Epitomizing the day, Mr. K. G Nair gave us his final but the most important 10 minutes of our time in CUSAT. He talked about 'CHAOS', in other words 'confusion' in life about studies, love failures leading to suicide attempts and future that is troubling the teenage generation. He quoted 'TIME cures CHAOS'. The wise man advised us to take time over problems of our lives because using time will herald life opportunities which one wouldn't dream of.



# CUSAT Study Tour

# Parents Meeting

To enhance the parent teacher's interactions, our school organized a PTA meeting on the 9th of June for students of class 9. The opportunity provided a platform for the parents and teachers to discuss about the overall performance of their child. Also parents put forward certain suggestions to intensify the curricular and co-curricular activities of the institution. The gathering was enlightened by Prof. S. Sivadas, on transforming kids into geniuses.



## The story of Triumph

An added sweetness to the success, top scorer in commerce from the last academic year, Gayathri S Kumar has secured scholarship for higher education under the scheme, 'innovation in science pursuit for inspire research' from CBSE and has been awarded a sum of rupees 80,000 per year for the period of 5 years. We the Labour India school management, staff and students are proud of this emerging shining star.

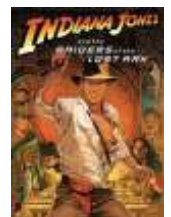


**Gayathri Sasikumar**  
Commerce Topper

## Movie Corner

### Indiana Jones and the raiders of the lost arc

'Raiders of the lost ark' was one of the most adventurous, exciting and action packed films shown at Gurukulam which kept everyone at the brim of their seats. Leading role played by none other than Harrison Ford, an archeologist and a professor on a mission to find the 'Ark of the covenant'. Ark of the Covenant is the biblical chest built by Israelites to contain the Ten Commandments, given by God to mosses on Mount Sinai, supposedly possessing supernatural power. Opposition to Indiana Jones is the German forces, lead by Hitler believing that acquiring the chest will make their army invincible



### Sherlock Holmes

An introduction is not required for the famous, intelligent, classic detective of all time Sherlock Holmes. Sherlock Holmes (2009) comprised of extraordinary action, quality humor, romance and fantastic storyline. The detective and his assistant played the head role, investigating on spooky-unexplained event surrounding the dark magician lord Blackwood, set in the 18th century Britain. Superb action scenes were welcomed by the Gurukulam lads with lots of cheer and applause.



# Training & Activities

## Smart class

Soaring higher with technology, classrooms in our school has been installed with interactive active boards intended to enhance the understanding. The active boards enable teachers to elucidate topics to students by giving first hand view, as well as providing additional information that is not available in text books. Smart classes not only make the lessons immensely interesting but also attach fun, giving students knowledge at their finger tips.

## VEDIC MATHS

The astonishing system of calculations, which was originally born in the Vedic Age and was deciphered during the start of the 20th century, is what we know as Vedic Mathematics. Vedic Math's is considered as the technology and science of order and precision, which maintains the uprightness of unity and spreads variety with it. It is also said to be the Natural Law's structuring dynamics; it instinctively designs the source and goal of natural law, which is the orderly theme of evolution. Vedic Mathematics is the name given to the ancient system of Mathematics, rediscovered, from the Vedas between 1911 and 1918 by Sri Bharati Krishna Tirthaji, a scholar of Mathematics, Sanskrit as well as History and Philosophy who lived from 1884-1960. On the 2nd week of June, the junior class students of Labour India Public School were given a short class on the importance of Vedic math's and how it would be useful in daily life. Students expressed immense zest during the session, steered by Mr. Jay Babu from the Aryabhata institute of mathematics.

## The Malayalam seminar

Standing apart from other poets, Changampuzha is a unique personality. On 1911, October 11, Changampuzha was born in the land of 'Thiruvithamkur'. Born in a poor family his parent Shri Parukutti Amma and father Narayana Menon had to undergo many hardships in the course of their life. He completed his high school in St Alberts School Ernakulam. Touched in the loss of his close friend Edapally Raghavan Pilla, in this sorrow he wrote his first poem 'Ramanan'. The poem had a sweeping effect all over Kerala. He completed his honour's degree in Ernakulam Maharajas College and Trivandrum Arts College, the period that was very crucial in the upcoming of the poet. He married Shri Sreedavi Amma but due to extreme hardships, he joined in the army but retired after 2 years and entered the Madras Law College but unfortunately was unable to complete his module. Later on, he became a prominent poet and wrote a number of poems. He was also enrolled as the editor of Mangalodayam Magazine. Some of his masterpieces include Narthakhi, Thilothama, Bashpanjali, Devatha and many more. He led the last period of his life in arthritis and tuberculosis and left us on 17 June 1948. On this occasion, the 10th class students presented a seminar on 17th of June on the life of the great poet, which covered all borough of his life.

## Saturday Activity

With great enthusiasm and appreciation, we the labour India school conducts co curricular activities on each Saturday. Co-curricular activities can empower students to make their own decisions and help them gain vital experience and skill to lead them on the path to their future. Students involved in extracurricular activities are more likely to become leaders, more willing to complete tasks and more willing to voice opinions. Extra curricular activities help students gain experience in a variety of areas that will enhance their future. Through participation in sports, students learn cooperation, team work and time management. Extra curricular activities can also help students discover hidden talents, meet people they might otherwise not encounter and learn about things outside their own environment. Some students are comfortable with growth while others feel more comfortable with familiarity. If a student enjoys outdoor activities, he or she may want to look into activities like basketball or other sports. If a student enjoys reading he or she may also enjoy literary clubs, writing clubs and journalism activities. Co-curricular activities are also a good way to learn appreciation for new and variety of activities. Choosing something outside a student's comfort zone widens horizons and expands knowledge. Here we provide a chance to participate in around 40 activities. Experienced and well trained trainees are leading the programme. They can be a wealth of information concerning work steady programme and internship summer jobs all of which helps students build their resume and gain valuable experience in their career field.

