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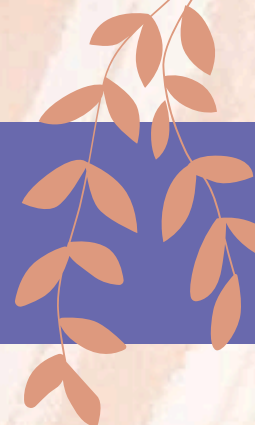


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STELLAR INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS



Arham Gada (Grade 11 A) and his team won the 2nd position in European Tournament of Enthusiastic Apprentice Mathematicians (ETEM).

Arham also won the individual award for the Best Debate. He had a wonderful learning experience, and got the opportunity to attend a lecture from the renowned Fields Medallist Professor Martin Hairer. They also visited the Tokamak TCV at the Swiss Plasma Center, EPFL.



Sreejani Bhaduri (Grade 11) has achieved a significant academic milestone with the publication of her research paper, “Anaemia Burden and Women’s Empowerment in India: A Multi-Modal Socioeconomic Analysis with Advanced Machine Learning Predictive Modeling,” in the Oxford Journal of Student Research.

The research explores the complex relationship between anaemia and women’s empowerment in India through a socioeconomic lens, employing advanced machine learning techniques to identify patterns and develop predictive insights. The publication reflects Sreejani’s strong research aptitude, interdisciplinary thinking, and commitment to exploring issues of meaningful social relevance.

This accomplishment is a testament to her intellectual curiosity and perseverance, and marks another noteworthy achievement in her academic journey. Heartiest congratulations to Sreejani on this impressive accomplishment!



STELLAR NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

NPS Koramangala students were placed among the Top 0.14% in LQ Ideathon 2026.

Seven of our students have qualified for Stage 1 – Ideation Round of the LQ Ideathon 2026, following their outstanding performance in the Logical Reasoning & Computational Thinking Programme 2025–26.

They are among the top 0.14% of over 22 lakh students from 3,500+ schools across 12+ countries. The shortlisted students are :

- Athharv Narayanan Mangalath (Class 6)
- Arjun Shrivastava (Class 7)
- Niraanjan Singh Tomar (Class 7)
- Sai Rudransh Sylada (Class 7)
- Sharath Suresha (Class 7)
- Ananya Nair (Class 9)
- Geetanjali Chidambaram (Class 9)



Adding to this achievement, NPS Koramangala has been awarded the prestigious Gold Citation, a distinction conferred on only a select few among the participating schools.

The students will now compete in the Stage 1 Ideation Round, with the opportunity to be among the 60 finalists invited to present their innovative solutions to real-world problems at IIT Bombay in December 2026.

Ten teams from NPS KRM participated in TCS InQuizitive on 4 August 2026. Following the preliminary written round, the top six teams qualified for the Regional Finals. The NPS KRM team comprising Naman Bansal and Vihaan Maheshwari (10 B) qualified for the Regional Finals and secured the Runner-Up position.



STELLAR NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Adyant Abhijit (Grade 10A) and Aditya Sajjan (Grade 9C) participated in the Preliminary written round of the Bangalore District Level Annual Science Quiz 2026-27, held at the Visvesvaraya Industrial and Technological Museum on 23rd July 2026, and have been selected for the next round.



Thejomayan CD and Athharv Narayanan Mangalath (Grade 6A) represented NPS Koramangala at the Independence Day Quiz held at Bhartiya Mall of Bengaluru.

The duo advanced to the on-stage second round and secured an impressive fourth place, earning appreciation from popular quizmaster Venky of Nexus Consulting as the youngest team on stage.



Abhishree (Grade 6D) bagged the 1st prize in Blooming Colour Exhibition themed Independence Day held at Rangoli Metro Art Centre, M.G.road from 14-16 August 2026.



Athharv Narayanan (Grade 6A) secured third place in the first edition of the QShala Quiz League, a nationwide online quiz for Grades 4-7 on 20th September 2026. The three-week league brought together 1,500+ students from 150 schools across India. The top three winners in each grade received books and goodies from QShala and Bookosmia.



STELLAR SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

From July 28th to August 2nd, the NPS-KRM boys' and Girls' Basketball teams participated in the CBSE Cluster VIII 2026 in the U-14, U-17 and U-19 categories. There were 97 teams participating in U-14 boys, 77 teams in U-14 girls, 157 teams in U-17 boys, 32 teams in U-19 boys and 29 teams in U-19 girls categories from all over Karnataka. Organised by Amaatra Academy, the competition witnessed outstanding performances from all participating teams.

The Under-14 boys and girls, and the Under-17 boys teams faced a hard loss in close matches in the quarter finals.

Our girls Under-19 team reached the semi-finals and battled fiercely against DPS South School in a challenging and exciting match, the girls team played with confidence, focus and gave it their all but unfortunately lost.

We congratulate our Under 19 Boys Basketball Team for clinching the silver medal after displaying unstoppable energy to make it to the finals. In the finals, they played a tough match against DPS South but unfortunately lost.



On August 5th and 6th, the NPS-KRM boys' Basketball team participated in the Jain International Residential School Tournament - Champions Cup 2026.

The tournament featured 10 teams from all over Bangalore. Organized by Jain International Residential School, the competition witnessed outstanding performances from all participating teams.



We are incredibly proud of our Grade 12 & below Boys Basketball Team for clinching the gold medal after displaying unstoppable energy to make it to the finals.

In the finals, they played a match against BGS NPS and emerged victorious.

STELLAR SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Head Start - Friendship Games

On August 17th and 18th, the NPS-KRM boys' and girls' Basketball teams participated in the Head Start Educational Academy Tournament - Friendship Games 2026. The tournament featured 4 teams from Bangalore. Organized by Head Start Educational Academy, the competition witnessed outstanding performances from all participating teams.

We are incredibly proud of our Grade 12 & Below Boys Basketball Team for clinching the gold medal after displaying unstoppable energy to make it to the finals. In the finals, they played a close match against the home team Head Start, and emerged victorious.

We have our Grade 9 & Below Girls Basketball Team who, in the finals, battled fiercely against Greenwood High School. In a challenging and exciting match, the girls team played with confidence, focus and gave it their all but unfortunately lost.



NPS KRM's Boys' and Girls' Basketball teams participated in Vivum 2026, organised by The International School Bangalore on 13 and 14 August. The tournament featured eight teams from across Bengaluru.

The Under-18 Boys' Team secured the Silver Medal, displaying impressive energy and determination throughout the tournament. After a closely contested final against TISB, the team finished as runners-up following an overtime loss. The Girls' Team put up a spirited fight against Greenwood School in the semi-finals, showcasing confidence, focus and resilience.



STELLAR SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

On August 22nd, the NPS-KRM mixed Throwball team participated in Espirit De Corps Tournament 2026. The tournament featured 10 NPS-affiliated teams from all over Bangalore, and teams from Mysore and Chennai as well. Organised by National Public School Koramangala, the competition witnessed outstanding performances from all participating teams.

We are incredibly proud of our Grade 3&4 Throwball Team for clinching the gold medal after displaying unstoppable energy to make it to the finals. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the players for their hard work, dedication, and sportsmanship throughout the tournament!



NPS Koramangala emerged as the Overall Champions, winning the Rolling Trophy at the Dr Raja Ramanna Interschool Chess Tournament, organised by the Old Cottonians' Association.

In Category C, A. S. Vishnu (6D) and Kanak Singhal (6A) secured second place. In Category D, Adrish Chatterjee (8A) won first place, while Bhuvan S. (8C) secured third place. The winning NPS KRM team also comprised Md Nihal (6C), Aarav VS (7C) and Vivaan Thakur (7C).



STELLAR SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Shaurya Srivastava (Grade 7D) secured a Silver Medal at the Karnataka Open State Skating Championship 2026, held in Bengaluru on 8 August 2026, in the 12–15 years category for Inline Freestyle Speed Slalom.

This marks the third consecutive year that Shaurya has won a medal at the championship, reflecting his consistent dedication and excellence in the sport.

Sneho Roy (Grade 10B) won two Gold medals in the two Under-16 events at the 21st Karnataka State Mountain Biking Championship. This achievement enables him to represent Karnataka at the National Mountain Biking Championship, scheduled to be held in Odisha around the end of September/beginning of October.



In the Bishop Cottons Girls School Tournament held on 1st September 2026 our team won in the Sub junior category while in the Senior category (12th and below) our team secured Second Runner up position.



Atharv Agarwal (Grade 6C) secured 6th place and received Medal and Certificate. in the 2nd Brain Battle Junior Chess Championship- Under 12 category where 87 players were in a close contest. The event was held on 8th August 2026.



STELLAR SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Our Football Boys team from Grades 9 and 10 secured the Runner-Up position at the Chairman's Cup Football Tournament, organised by NAFL-B, on 8 September 2026. Adding to the team's achievement, Adarsh Kashyap (Grade 9) was named Best Striker in the Grades 9–10 category.



On 6 September 2026, the Karate Combative Federation hosted a National-Level Karate Championship at S.R. Akshatha Palace, Bengaluru. Bhaveka Behl (7A) secured third place in the Brown Belt Girls' category.



On 12 September 2026, NPS Indiranagar organised Esprit de Corps, featuring volleyball and Sudoku competitions. In the Grades 5 and 6 Sudoku competition, Pranvi G. (Grade 6 D) secured third place among 30 participants after successfully clearing all three levels of the competition.



STELLAR SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Prakaash Sarran

Prakaash Sarran (Grade 12) was featured in The New Indian Express on 27 August 2026 as the top-ranked player in the boys' main draw of the KSLTA World Tennis Junior J30 Bengaluru. Ranked No. 477 in the ITF Junior rankings, Prakaash was scheduled to compete at the S.M. Krishna Tennis Stadium from 29 August to 5 September, alongside leading Indian and international junior players.



Prakaash recently competed in the ITF J60 International Junior Tennis Tournament in Hyderabad despite battling a high fever and injury. Unable to participate in the singles event, he was forced to give a walkover. However, he went on to compete in the doubles event and emerged Doubles Champion.

In the final, despite being 1-5 down in the deciding-set super tie-break, Prakaash displayed remarkable composure, determination to stage an impressive comeback and clinch the title. His perseverance despite illness earned appreciation from the organisers and fellow competitors.

Although he will be unable to participate in the upcoming Bengaluru International Tennis Tournament due to his illness and injury, his recent performance stands as a commendable example of resilience and sporting spirit.



Prakaash Sarran (Grade 12) emerged as the winner of the Doubles event at the UNIFI J60 ITF Junior Tennis International Tournament, held from 17 to 22 August at the Nungambakkam Tennis Stadium, Chennai. His achievement was also featured in the Chennai edition of The Hindu in its Saturday edition.



STELLAR STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

NPSI Mysore organised swimming and sudoku competition for the staff members on 8th August 2026. The winners are:

Staff Swimming

25MTS Freestyle:

- Mr Alphonse Sagayaraj – 2nd Place.
- Ms Samyuktha Manogaran – 1st Place.
- Ms Vidya R Ballakoor- 3rd Place.
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25MTS Backstroke:

- Mr Alphonse Sagayaraj – 1st Place.
- Ms Samyuktha Manogaran – 3rd Place.
- Ms Vidya R Ballakoor- 3rd Place.

25MTS Breaststroke:

- Mr Alphonse Sagayaraj – 1st Place.
- Ms Samyuktha Manogaran – 3rd Place.
- Ms Vidya R Ballakoor- 3rd Place.

Relay 4x25 MTS 2nd Place :

Mr Alphonse Sagayaraj, Mr Samuel A,
Ms Samyuktha Manogaran, Ms Vidya R Ballakoor

Staff Sudoku :

Ms Pratiksha Singh – 2nd Place



INTERSCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

Bishop Cottons MUN - COMUN

On the 30th- 31st of July and the 1st of August, Bishop Cottons Boys School conducted a Model United Nations Conference.

Sovan Panda (Grade 9A) was awarded a Special Mention in the United Nations Security Council.



St. Francis MUN - SFSMUN

On the 7th and 8th of August, St. Francis School hosted a Model United Nations Conference. Abhinav Anand of 10A won the Best Delegate award in the UN Human Rights Council. Havish Badida of 10B was given a Verbal Mention in the Disarmament and International Security Committee. Gaurisha Thakur of 9B and Varad Bhatia of 10B were both awarded Verbal Mentions in the Lok Sabha committee.



SONIQ - NPS Marathahalli

Our school took part in SONIQ, a fest conducted by NPS Marathahalli for Grades 9 to 12 on 12th August 2026. Students participated in dance and music events.

Saanvi K 10B, Adrita R 10A, Ivanna C.L 10C, Kashvi Bhattacharjee 10C, Rishika 10C, Renee P 10C, Sanika 10B, Tanisha 10C and Viya 10A bagged the first place in the Folk Fusion dance event and won a cash prize of Rs 8000.

INTERSCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



New Horizon Public School - MUN

On 19th and 20th of August 2026, New Horizon Public School hosted a Model United Nations Conference.

- Varad Bhatia of 10B was awarded the Best Delegate award in the All-India Political Parties Meet.
- Havish Badida of 10B was awarded a Commendable Delegate award in the Disarmament and the International Security Committee.
- Meera Kulkarni of 9B was awarded a Verbal Mention in the FIFA Committee.

Timelapse:

On 28 August 2026, our students participated in Timelapse, a literary fest hosted by NPS Rajajinagar, which brought together literary knowledge, creativity, strategic thinking and theatrical flair.

The fest featured diverse events including Beyond the Looking Glass, a literary quiz testing reading and recall; War and Peace, a crisis-management simulation inspired by MUN and Marvel characters; Devil's Advocate, where students argued the cases of notorious literary villains; Pitch Perfect, which challenged participants to devise and pitch creative solutions; The Sound of Music, an a cappella event inspired by assigned poets; and The Da Vinci Code, an exciting treasure hunt involving clues and deductions.



NPS Koramangala delivered an outstanding performance, securing first place in the Literary Quiz, Marketing Event and A Cappella; second place in the Treasure Hunt; and second and third places in Crisis Management. It was a memorable celebration of literature, creativity and the art of thinking beyond the page.

INTERSCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



Resurgence

Our Grades 11 and 12 took part in Resurgence, a fest conducted by Bishop Cotton Boys School, on the 29th and 30th of August. Students participated in various events such as finance, entrepreneurship, journalism, marketing, negotiation, sports management, hospitality, crisis management, law and monopoly.

- Sanskriti Kashyap (12A), Izhan (12C) and Arav Jaluka (12B) secured the second place in Beyond the Tank, the entrepreneurship event.
- Ananya Ray and Tarika of (11C) placed second in Hotel Management, the hospitality event.
- Trisha Shah (12B), Rithika (12B) and Dhanvi (12A) placed third in Macroverse, the economics event.
- Nikhil and Avantika of (11C) clinched third position in Counsel Royale, the law event.

Cadence Fest

Our students brought laurels to the school at Cadence Fest, organised by St Joseph's Boys' School on 11th September 2026. In the Junior Category, Adithya Krishna (6D) secured second prize in Regional Solo Singing, while Tanya Venu Kumar (8A) won third prize in Western Solo Singing. In the Senior Category, Yuvahari (Grade 10) secured second prize in Regional Solo Singing.



NEW INITIATIVES

BAKER'S DOZEN

WHERE LEARNING GETS DELICIOUS

It was an exhilarating moment for the school's baking enthusiasts as Principal Ms Jyotsna Nair, along with Ms Malini Keshav, inaugurated the new baking lab - Baker's Dozen, amidst cheerful applause from students and teachers on 3rd September 2026.



Tucked away in a cosy corner of the school, the vibrant lab is the brainchild of the Principal, Ms Jyotsna Nair who wanted students to cultivate their creativity and develop practical life skills and Ms Keshav, a multitalented educationist and former coordinator in the school who now also serves as a baking guide and teacher as part of Vocational Education for Grade 9 students. Designed to evoke the warmth and charm of a café, the lab features captivating recipe posters, colourful dangles and plants, creating an inviting space for creativity and hands-on learning.



Equipped with a brand-new oven and all the essential baking paraphernalia, the lab is set to inspire Grade 9 students to explore their culinary skills through CBSE Vocational Education – Kaushal Vikas. Throughout September and October, students will have the opportunity to experiment, create and savour a variety of delectable recipes—turning learning into a deliciously memorable experience!

THE ODYSSEY TO SMART EATING READING BEYOND THE LABEL

Geetanjali Chidambaram (Grade 9A) initiated The Odyssey to Smart Eating under the 1M1B Changemakers World Cup theme 'Fix Your Plate', encouraging children to make informed food choices by understanding nutrition labels.



The initiative began with Geetanjali questioning the ingredients in commonly consumed packaged foods and asking what consumers might be overlooking. As part of the project, she conducted interactive sessions for two Grade 3 classes, where students examined labels of their favourite snacks and discovered the often-surprising levels of sugar and other ingredients. The discussions encouraged them to question their everyday food choices rather than accept them at face value.



Geetanjali subsequently conducted activity-based follow-up sessions and engaged her peers in conversations about nutrition and mindful eating. Through the experience, she recognised that lasting behavioural change requires regular awareness, discussion and reflection—not a one-time intervention.

Her message is simple and powerful: “Don’t stop snacking. Start reading.”

TIE AND DYE WORKSHOP

On 22 August 2026, a Tie and Dye Workshop was organised in the Art Room for students of Grades 7 to 9. Planned and conducted by Grade 10 students as a peer-led learning initiative, the workshop fostered creativity, collaboration and leadership.

Students explored various tie-dye techniques and experimented with patterns and designs. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to the student organisers—Sana Zahra, Joanna Renjith and Kaashvi Agarwal of Grade 10A, and Sharanya Ray of Grade 10C—in recognition of their initiative and contribution.



Excelerate!, a 21-day Math Mentorship Programme, was conducted from 10 June to 10 July during the first term. As a peer-learning initiative, Grade 9 mentors guided Grade 6 students through engaging and creative mathematical activities.

The programme helped younger students build confidence in Mathematics while enabling the mentors to strengthen their leadership, communication and teaching skills. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to the student mentors—Reyna Ann Mathew (9A), Dhiram Reddy and Vignesh Arunachalam (9B), and Aditi Mahesh, Ananya Nair and Sanchana Karthik (9C)—in recognition of their contribution.



E-WASTE MANAGEMENT DRIVE

As part of their preparation for the 1M1B project, the E-ternal Reboot team explored the impact of e-waste on climate and its harmful effects on the environment. The project will be represented at the upcoming Geneva Summit in November. The team comprises Gia Goyal, Krithi Shankar, Roshni Das and Gaurisha Thakur of Grade 9, and Samaya Narayan of Grade 8.

Going beyond awareness, the team conducted a month-long experiment to provide tangible evidence of the impact of e-waste on plant growth. They also organised an e-waste drive at school, collecting old chargers, broken keyboards and discarded calculators from students and staff. Working with students of Grades 6 and 7, they upcycled safe components into art pieces, while hazardous materials were responsibly handed over to Saahas, an NGO specialising in certified e-waste recycling.



As part of their awareness initiative, the team invited Mr Praveen Raj, Project Coordinator at Saahas, to interact with students of Grades 6–9 on 17 September 2026. The session focused on responsible waste management and the 4Rs—Refuse, Reduce, Repair and Reuse—and addressed common myths surrounding e-waste. An enthusiastic question-and-answer session helped students understand the growing e-waste challenge and explore practical ways to manage it responsibly.



MAJOR EVENTS

TEDxYouth@NPSKRM 2026

NPS Koramangala proudly hosted the fourth edition of TEDxYouth@NPSKRM on 8th August 2026 under the inspiring theme Adapt. Advance. Achieve., which explored the importance of agility in a rapidly changing world. The student-led event, anchored with grace and confidence by Grade 12 students Aditi Jalan and Prachi Nagar, set the stage for an afternoon of thought-provoking ideas, diverse perspectives, and meaningful conversations.

The lineup of speakers brought together voices from diverse fields, each offering a unique perspective on adapting to change while remaining grounded in one's values and purpose.



Ms. Sarika Naik, Chief Corporate Responsibility Officer at Capgemini and a member of the Group Executive Committee, spoke about making oneself their own benchmark and highlighted that true adaptation lies in discovering new paths and redefining the goals we strive towards.

TEDx

Ms. Paroma Chatterjee, CEO of Revolut, shared insights on navigating an increasingly technology-driven world. Drawing from her experience in India's evolving fintech landscape, she explored the transformative role of technology and artificial intelligence and highlighted the importance of remaining agile and open to continual learning.



Next, Ms. Purnima Valiathan, a pioneer in Learning Experience Design and Instructional Design and a mentor at ID Mentors, emphasized that adaptation should never come at the cost of one's ethics, values, or integrity. Her message stressed the importance of evolving while remaining firmly rooted in one's principles.

Adding an artistic dimension to the event, Saanvi Lalwani, Grade 11 student, delivered a captivating Bharatanatyam performance that brought together tradition, discipline, and expression.



TEDxYouth@NPSKRM 2026



Suhani Agarwal, Grade 12 student, then presented her clothing initiative, Rewoven, which addresses the contradiction between clothing waste and material poverty. She highlighted how small, community-led efforts can give unused clothes a second life while reducing their environmental impact.

TEDx

The session concluded with Dr. Rwituja Thomas, a DHA-licensed Ophthalmologist, who spoke on 'Our Blind Spots.' She explored how challenging experiences can challenge our assumptions and become opportunities for learning, while highlighting how AI can assist doctors without replacing the trust and human connection at the heart of patient care.



The event concluded with a sincere vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to the speakers, performer, student speakers, organizers, teachers, and audience whose collective efforts brought the fourth edition of TEDxYouth@NPSKRM to life.

TEDxYouth@NPSKRM 2026 was more than a platform for Ideas Worth Spreading; it was a celebration of the courage to evolve, the willingness to embrace uncertainty, and the ability to transform change into opportunity. Through diverse voices and experiences, the event reminded us that in a world defined by constant change, progress belongs to those who learn to move with it. It truly brought to life the spirit of Adapt. Advance. Achieve.



HELIOS 2026



HELIOS 2026, the inaugural edition of NPS Koramangala's interschool robotics competition for Grades 6 to 8, was held on 20th August 2026 at NPS Koramangala under the theme Build. Code. Innovate., with each participating school fielding a team of four students.

The event was graced and judged by Ms. Anuradha Balasubramanian, Founder & Managing Director of Centrado Tech Solutions, and Mr. Rajagopalan Venkataraman, Co-Founder & Director at Centrado, whose work in making STEM learning accessible and engaging set the tone for the day.

Every team received an identical kit (an ESP32 with L298N motor driver, robot chassis, servo, and a sensor set spanning ultrasonic, IR, flame, soil moisture, gas and sound), with no external components, pre-written code or AI tools permitted, ensuring teams were judged on engineering thinking rather than hardware budget or outside help.

Teams had three hours to assemble their robots and write and debug their programs in the Arduino IDE, building solutions to real-world problems across domains such as agriculture automation, healthcare assistance, environmental protection, disaster management and assistive technology.



HELIOS 2026

After a short break, the presentation and judging round followed, with each team taking the floor to cover its problem statement, design approach, circuit explanation, programming logic, live demonstration, social impact and viva voce. With identical kits in play, the viva voce proved decisive, as teams in which all four members could explain their own circuit and code consistently came out ahead.



At the valedictory session, NPS HSR Layout was declared the winner with Agribot X, an agriculture-focused solution that showed a clear line of reasoning from problem to sensor selection to actuation, backed by a clean build, a successful demonstration and a confident viva. NPS Rajajinagar (RNR) placed second, and NPS Hosur Road received a Special Mention from the judging panel.

The energy on the floor through the day, from the first wiring attempts to the final demonstrations, made the inaugural edition of HELIOS a resounding success, and NPS Koramangala looks forward to welcoming its young innovators back for an even bigger edition next year.





FOUNDER'S CUP 2026

The 9th edition of the NPS KRM Founders' Cup held from 2nd to 4th September 2026 was a resounding success, showcasing sporting prowess and unwavering perseverance of the players. A total of 12 teams participated in the tournament, to battle it out for the coveted rolling trophy. The Sports Captain, Guhan Annamalai, and the Sports Vice Captain, Aakarsh Jauhri addressed the teams, setting the tone for the event and creating a sense of sportsmanship. The tournament was declared open by the Principal, Ms. Jyotsna Nair. Each match was a testament to the hard work of the players and their coaches. Volunteers ensured the event progressed seamlessly.



Though each team gave it their all, the victors in the girls' category were our own champions, National Public School, Koramangala with National Public School, Rajajinagar as runners-up, and the Most Promising Player was Anagha Singh from NPS-KRM and the Most Valuable Player was Swasti Minocha from NPS-KRM. In the boys' category, National Public School, Koramangala emerged victorious, with Gear Innovative International School as the runner-up. The Most Valuable Player was Aakarsh Jauhri from NPS-KRM and the Most Promising Player was Sivansh from Gear Innovative International School.



The radio shack was instrumental in making important announcements, giving a light-hearted touch to the tournaments during the intense moments with live commentary and lively music through the match breaks. The referees from the Karnataka Basketball Association provided fair officiating for all the matches. The event was headed by the PE department who ensured the three days ran smoothly. The tournament was a formidable display of skill, talent, and above all teamwork.



PRIZE DAY - GRADE 10

The Prize Day celebration for the school and subject toppers of Grade 10 was held on 9 September 2026 to recognise and appreciate their outstanding academic performance. Students from Grades 9 to 12 attended the programme, adding to the significance of the occasion.

The Principal, Ms Jyotsna Nair, presented the school and subject toppers with Certificates of Appreciation, acknowledging their dedication, perseverance and excellence in the Board examinations. The ceremony provided an opportunity to celebrate the students' achievements and inspire their peers to strive for academic excellence.



TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION

The school celebrated Teachers' Day on 5 September 2026, commemorating the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and, more importantly, honouring the dedication and contribution of teachers.

The celebrations featured a vibrant line-up of student performances, including winning teams from various inter-school competitions such as Sonic and Odyssey, along with the school band and a humorous skit. The energetic dance performance by the Grade 12 students was a highlight of the programme, while PE teacher Mr Alfonso brought the celebration to a lively close with an entertaining finale.

The programme was hosted by School Prefect Prachi Nagar and compiled by Udaantika Dhar and Vice Prefect Sreejani Bhaduri. With its lively performances, infectious energy and cheerful spirit, the celebration made for a memorable Teachers' Day and a delightful beginning to the first Saturday of September.



CELEBRATING THE SPIRIT OF ONAM

Students and teachers at NPS KRM celebrated Onam with festive spirit on 25 August 2026. In keeping with the festive tradition, the senior school students contributed to a collection of myriad colourful and fragrant flowers, which were then transformed into a vibrant and alluring Pookalam by students, teachers and members of the support staff with artistic flair. The beautiful floral design adorned the school reception, adding to the festive ambience.



Keeping the tradition alive, the talented teachers also presented a splendid Onam dance in traditional Kerala attire during the students' assembly. The graceful performance added warmth and colour to the celebrations, making it a memorable occasion for the entire school community.



CLASS ASSEMBLIES

GRADE 9A - 80th INDEPENDENCE DAY

NPS Koramangala commemorated the 80th Independence Day of India with a vibrant and meaningful celebration. Escorted by members of the Student Council, Principal Ms. Jyotsna Nair hoisted the National Flag in the presence of grandparents, parents, staff, and students, who proudly joined in the singing of the National Anthem.



GRADE 9B

UNSCRIPTED



On 4th August, class 9B performed their class assembly 'Unscripted' to commemorate the joys of friendship. Every year, Friendship Day is a hallmark for the decades of laughs ringing in classrooms, colourful friendship bands, even a simple greeting. In today's fast paced world where AI slowly replaces human connection and social interactions are simply a transaction between individuals lost in 'virtual' reality.

The assembly began with an invigorating speech by Ms. Aparna Mrig highlighting previous historical examples of camaraderie observed, such as the bond between Olympic athletes, Jesse Owens and Luz Long even with the odds stacked against them.

The class presented a thought-provoking skit set in a futuristic dystopia where friendship is dictated, not by genuine human emotion but outranked by a compatibility app. Five students, determined to have 0% compatibility by an AI app, Amity, find themselves locked in a room, proximity binding them together even with all odds stacked against them. As the initial frost thaws, the five companions soon draw the conclusion that computers simply consist of data and algorithms which will never replace the transcendental power of friendship.

The skit was followed by a lively, upbeat dance demonstrating art forms that are immortalized by their spontaneity. Following the dance was an engaging quiz on friendship and a heartfelt speech, impactful with wise words on the apotheosis of companionship. As the chords of the song began to play, based on the theme song of the iconic sitcom- F.R.I.E.N.D.S., our assembly concluded, leaving the audience with a renewed appreciation of the simple, enduring power of friendship and the irreplaceable warmth of genuine human connection.





GRADE 9C

KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS

The students of Grade 9C presented a thought-provoking class assembly on 07th August 2026 on Kargil Vijay Diwas, commemorating the courage, sacrifice, and resilience of the Indian soldiers who defended the nation during the Kargil War.

The programme began with an inspiring address by Ms. Vijayalakshmi R, faculty member- Mathematics Department, who spoke about the unsung heroes- our soldiers and their sacrifices and how each one of us is a hero as long as we consciously remain responsible and true to our purpose.

Thereafter, the assembly began with a documentary and a poignant poem that revisited the remarkable chapter of India's history and highlighted the bravery and dedication of the armed forces. A ceremonial parade paid tribute to the soldiers, followed by an engaging quiz that tested the audience's knowledge of the Kargil War and its historical significance.



The presentation then shifted from the India of yesterday to the India of today through a news segment showcasing the nation's progress in science, sports, and global affairs. A reflective mime performance explored the responsibilities that accompany freedom, prompting the audience to consider whether citizens truly honour the sacrifices of those who fought for the nation.

The theme of accountability was further explored through an impactful courtroom scene and speech, raising questions about the role of citizens, the government, and the system in upholding the rights and responsibilities that come with freedom. The assembly concluded with the Word and Thought of the Day, reinforcing the message that patriotism extends beyond remembering the past—it lies in taking responsibility for shaping the future. Through its varied and engaging presentations, the assembly served as a meaningful tribute to the heroes of Kargil while inspiring students to become responsible and conscientious citizens.





GRADE 12B SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

The students of Grade 12B conducted a meaningful assembly themed around the lives and experiences of senior citizens on 25th August 2026. At the outset Ms Priyanka Gupta, faculty member commerce department, delivered a thought provoking speech.

The presentation highlighted how, despite growing up in a different era, older generations faced many of the same life challenges and milestones as today's youth.

The theme came alive through an emotional skit and a thought-provoking speech, emphasising the importance of empathy and understanding across generations.

The audience was further engaged through an interactive quiz, a melodious song, and an energetic dance performance, leaving everyone with a heartfelt message of love, empathy and respect for senior citizens.





GRADE 12 C PHOTOGRAPHY

On 31 August 2026, Class 12C conducted the school assembly on the theme Photography as a Means for Storytelling and Change. Ms Vipika Karthik, faculty member of Science Department spoke to the students photography as an art and profession, and the importance of observation, creativity and perspective.

Through a creative blend of theatre, speech, visual storytelling, music, and dance, the assembly explored the power of photography to preserve memories, tell stories, and inspire change. The programme began with an engaging skit that presented an honest and relatable take on the making of a class assembly. As the students debated whether to conduct an assembly at all, they eventually decided to cancel it. However, a journey through photographs and videos from the previous year's assembly brought back memories, reignited their enthusiasm, and inspired them to come together once again. The skit beautifully highlighted how photographs can capture not only moments, but also emotions, experiences, and the spirit of a community.

A thoughtful speech further explored photography as a powerful medium of expression and its ability to document reality and preserve memories. The assembly also featured the news, a photography-themed quiz, a vibrant dance performance, and a melodious song, adding energy to the programme. Through its creative presentations, the assembly conveyed the enduring message that a photograph is more than just an image- it can tell a story, evoke emotions, preserve the past, and inspire people to create change. Certainly.



INTERHOUSE EVENTS

LITERARY CLUB - MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Literary Club conducted Alternate Ending Challenge, an engaging creative writing and presentation event for students of Grades 6–8 on 12th August 2026. The event encouraged participants to reimagine the endings of well-known literary works while retaining their original characters, settings, and essence.

The four houses were assigned stories a week in advance and worked together to create unique alternate endings. The Voyagers presented *The Happy Prince*, the Challengers took on *The Pied Piper of Hamelin*, the Explorers reimagined *Alice in Wonderland*, and the Pioneers worked with *Moby-Dick*. Each team presented their alternate ending within the two-minute time limit, showcasing creativity, teamwork, literary understanding, and confident expression.



The presentations were imaginative and engaging, with each team offering a fresh perspective on their assigned story. While the scores were being tallied, the Grade 6 students entertained the audience with recitations of their original poems, adding a creative and lively element to the event.

The event concluded with Explorers securing First Place, Pioneers taking Second Place, and Voyagers finishing Third. Overall, Alternate Ending Challenge provided students with an exciting opportunity to explore familiar stories through their own creativity and imagination.



QUIZ CLUB - SENIOR SCHOOL

The Senior Inter-House Quiz, organised by the Quiz Club, was held on 5th and 6th August 2026. The quiz comprised three rounds. The first was a round-robin round with unanswered questions passed to the other teams. In the second round, participants chose the category of questions they wished to answer, while the final round featured questions of varying topics, difficulty levels and scores.

The competition remained closely contested in the opening round. The Voyagers and Explorers then surged ahead in the second round, ending it tied for the lead. The Pioneers mounted a strong challenge in the final round to secure third place, while the Explorers and Voyagers once again finished level on points. A thrilling tie-breaker followed, with the Explorers emerging victorious by a single point.

The quiz was an exciting display of knowledge, quick thinking and teamwork, with the closely fought competition keeping participants and the audience engaged throughout.



CYBER CLUB - SENIOR SCHOOL

Cyber Club held Valorant, an exciting e sport event on 12th August, the contestants from Grades 9–12 showcased the tactical strategy, teamwork, and sharp reflexes of the participants.

In this exhilarating competition, teams went head-to-head in fast-paced tactical matches, putting their communication, quick decision-making, and game strategy to the ultimate test.

Results

1st Place: Explorers

2nd Place: Voyagers

3rd Place: Pioneers

Congratulations to all the winners and participants for their incredible strategy, teamwork, and enthusiastic participation!



PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

SENIOR SCHOOL

On August 19, 2026, NPS Koramangala marked World Photography Day with its annual Inter-House Photography Competition for Grades 9–12. The event challenged participants to blend technical precision with creative visual storytelling across two demanding rounds.

Round 1 launched with a high-stakes campus scavenger hunt, where teams decoded cryptic clues to capture imaginative snapshots. Round 2 shifted focus to commercial design, requiring houses to conceptualize and shoot dynamic sports promotional posters. Participants staged action shots and built polished ad layouts to capture the raw energy of their assigned games.

The competition highlighted impressive talent, turning split-second camera work into striking visual art.

The results came out with Pioneers in third place, Voyagers in second place and Explorers in the first place.



PERFORMING ARTS CLUB

SENIOR SCHOOL

The Interhouse Performing Arts Competition, held on 1 September 2026, showcased the creativity, talent and coordination of students from all four Houses.

Each House presented an original four-minute dance based on the theme of a person encountering different versions of themselves through a mirror.

The performances explored three stages—‘How I See Myself’, ‘How Others See Me’ and ‘How I Choose to Be’—through classical, semi-classical, Western and contemporary dance forms.

Pioneers secured the first place, Challengers were placed second, while Voyagers and Explorers shared third place.

The event provided an engaging platform for students to express themselves through movement and choreography.



EMPOWERING STUDENTS

GRADE 10- SUBJECT SELECTION SESSION

The Principal, Ms Jyotsna Nair, addressed the students and parents of Grade 10 on 26 September 2026. As the students stand at the cusp of making significant decisions regarding stream and subject selection for Grade 11, the session provided much-needed guidance and clarity. The principal outlined the Grade 11 (2027–28) subject combinations across Science, Commerce and Humanities, along with the proposed schedule, including half-days for Science, full days for Commerce and Humanities, monthly offline unit tests, and the reopening on 24 May 2027.

The session highlighted the differences between an integrated coaching model and the NPS KRM approach, with emphasis on conceptual understanding, supervised examinations, teacher oversight, timely intervention, stress-relieving activities and holistic development. Parents were reassured that the school provides regular academic support, opportunities for social interaction, and a healthy balance between academics and extracurricular activities.

Career Counsellor, Ms Shivika Gupta highlighted emerging and interdisciplinary career pathways and encouraged students to keep their options open while making subject choices. Mr Tushar Sinha from Centum Academy explained how the academy prepares, guides and supports students through significant entrance examinations as well as Board examinations. He highlighted the alignment of its programme with the school curriculum, enabling students to balance their Board and entrance examination preparation effectively.



HARMFUL EFFECTS OF VAPING

The Principal, Ms Jyotsna Nair conducted an informative and thought-provoking session on The Hidden Dangers of Vaping, aimed at creating awareness among students about the physical and psychological impact of vaping on 31st August 2026. The presentation explained what vaping is and highlighted the presence of nicotine and other harmful chemicals in vaping aerosols.

The session explored why young people are drawn to vaping, including peer pressure, curiosity, flavoured products and social media influence. Students were made aware of its effects on the developing brain, including its impact on focus, memory, decision-making and emotional well-being. The presentation also highlighted the effects on lung health and sports performance, as well as the risk of nicotine dependence and addiction.

Importantly, the session conveyed a message of hope by explaining that the brain can begin to heal after quitting. Students were encouraged to say no confidently, make healthy choices, support friends and engage in positive activities such as sports, arts and clubs.

STUDENT COUNCIL LEADERSHIP MASTERCLASS

The three hour Student Council Leadership Masterclass themed 'Leading with Purpose Beyond Self' was conducted by the career counsellors, Ms Shivika Gupta and Ms Geeta Kathait for the 84 members strong Student Council of the school on 13 August 2026. The session focused on developing the mindset, confidence, communication skills and self-awareness required for effective leadership.



Moving beyond leadership as a position or title, students explored leadership as the ability to influence, communicate, take initiative and create a positive impact. Key areas included Growth Mindset, overcoming fear of judgement, leadership styles, communication and self-awareness. The highly interactive session featured a Debate Challenge, Mini Speech Challenge, Comfort Zone Expansion Challenge and reflection activities, giving students opportunities to practise spontaneous communication, confidence and adaptability. Students particularly responded positively to Carol Dweck's Growth Mindset framework, leadership styles and experiential activities, which encouraged them to reflect on their own leadership approaches and responses to challenges.

The masterclass reinforced that leadership is a behaviour and responsibility, not merely a title, and that effective leaders listen, adapt, communicate and learn through experience. The session ultimately encouraged students to move from simply being a leader to thinking and comporting like one, creating an impact beyond themselves.



MASTERING THE GRIND

On 19 August 2026, Grades 11 and 12 attended a 25-minute session, Mastering the Grind conducted by Ms Priya Sreenivasan on exam stress, peer pressure, and social media.



The session covered common traps students fall into, such as comparing themselves to social media, going along with the group instead of speaking up, chasing perfection, and putting off work while waiting to feel motivated. For each trap, students were given a simple fix: curate what they follow, decide their stance before they're pressured, compete with their past selves, and shrink the task until it's easy to start.

The session also covered sleep, better ways to revise, using AI to test themselves instead of getting answers, and calming exam-day panic through box breathing. This was never about willpower or laziness. The session is part of the school's ongoing pastoral care work with senior students. Students were asked to pick one tip and try it that week.

FIRST AID SESSION

A First Aid presentation on common injuries was conducted on 10 August 2026 for students of Grades 9 and 10. The session, presented by the school nurse Ms. Deeksha G S, aimed to create awareness and educate students on handling minor injuries such as cuts, scrapes, nosebleeds, fainting, seizures, burns, sprains and fractures. It included visual slides, demonstrations, and interactive discussions covering the DR ABC method and basic first aid steps.

Students actively participated and responded well to the activities. The session was informative and well-received, helping students gain confidence and essential skills to manage everyday emergencies in and outside the school environment.



SESSION ON STUDY SKILLS

On 5 September, an enriching and highly engaging session on study skills, “The Architecture of Memory: The Neuroscience of Rapid Learning, Permanent Retention and Flawless Execution” was conducted by Mr. Vishu Nair for the students of Grades 9–11 in the school auditorium.

The session aimed to equip students with scientifically proven learning techniques that enhance comprehension, retention, and academic performance. Through an interactive presentation, students were introduced to the fascinating science behind how the brain learns, stores, and retrieves information, making the learning process both insightful and enjoyable.



A major highlight of the session was the introduction to practical, research-backed strategies such as the Pomodoro Technique, the 50/10 Rule for deep focus, Active Recall, Spaced Repetition, Visualization, Hebb's Law, and Concept-Based Learning.

Students also learned the importance of asking meaningful questions, connecting new ideas with existing knowledge, and developing habits that promote long-term memory and effective execution. These techniques were explained through relatable examples, encouraging students to adopt smarter learning practices rather than relying on rote memorization.

The session concluded with an inspiring message that learning is not about studying harder but about studying smarter. The presentation was well received, with students actively participating and showing keen interest throughout. It left them motivated to transform their study habits by applying evidence-based learning strategies, empowering them to become more confident, independent, and efficient learners.



NPSKONNECT SESSION DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP



On 18th August 2026, Srinidhi and Sadhana from Grade 12 conducted an awareness event focusing on the hidden costs of excessive digital and social media use. Through selected clips from the documentary *The Social Dilemma*, the session highlighted how social media can influence our behaviour, attention, choices, and overall well-being.

The event encouraged students to reflect on their own digital habits and understand the importance of being responsible digital citizens. They were urged to be mindful of their screen time, think critically about the content they consume, and maintain a healthy balance between the digital and real world.

The session concluded with all participants taking an oath to use digital platforms responsibly, keep their digital habits in check, and make more conscious choices online. The event was an engaging and meaningful initiative towards promoting digital awareness and responsible technology use among students.

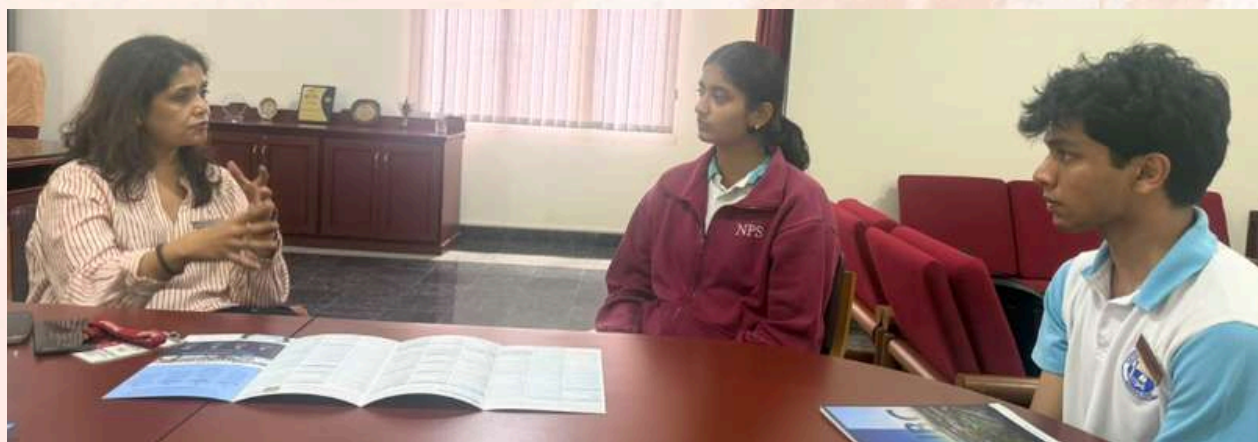




COLLEGE COUNSELLING SESSION



A Round Table Conversation was held on 12th August 2026 with Ms. Tanushree Bhattacharya, International Student Recruiter/Advisor – Global Recruitment, The University of British Columbia (UBC). The interactive session provided students with an opportunity to clarify their queries regarding UBC's programmes, admissions, application process, scholarships, and opportunities for international students, helping them gain greater clarity about their higher education options.



COMMUNITY SERVICE- GRADE 10C

On 30 August 2026, students of Grade 10C visited the old age home run by the Little Sisters of the Poor located on Hosur Road. The students spent meaningful and cheerful time with the elderly residents, engaging in conversations, sharing freshly baked cookies and other treats, and singing songs for them. The warm interactions created moments of genuine connection, with both the students and residents becoming emotional as they shared their time together. The visit offered students a valuable lesson in empathy, respect and caring for the elderly.





EDUCATIONAL TRIP THE MYTHIC SOCIETY



On 14 August, the students of Grade 11C enjoyed an informative excursion to The Mythic Society, Bangalore.

Established in 1909, The Mythic Society is a pioneer organization in Indic studies in South India and has a renowned repository of historic books, journals and documents. Students had the opportunity to view the ongoing book fair, where several authentic research publications, as well as documents as old as 300 years, were on display.



The library tour that followed further allowed the students to immerse themselves in the world of history by providing them with access to core publications and documents, including the first version of our Constitution. Students also revealed in the collections of authentic coins, manuscripts, and pottery exhibited by The Mythic Society. The information regarding ancient South Indian inscriptions, temples, customs, and beliefs expertly presented by the historians and archaeologists of the Society sparked a passion for discovering more about our rich heritage.



The students, as well as the accompanying teachers, found this trip extremely rewarding and took back lasting lessons about the proper approach to historical studies and the subject's importance in contemporary life.





TEACHER SPEAK

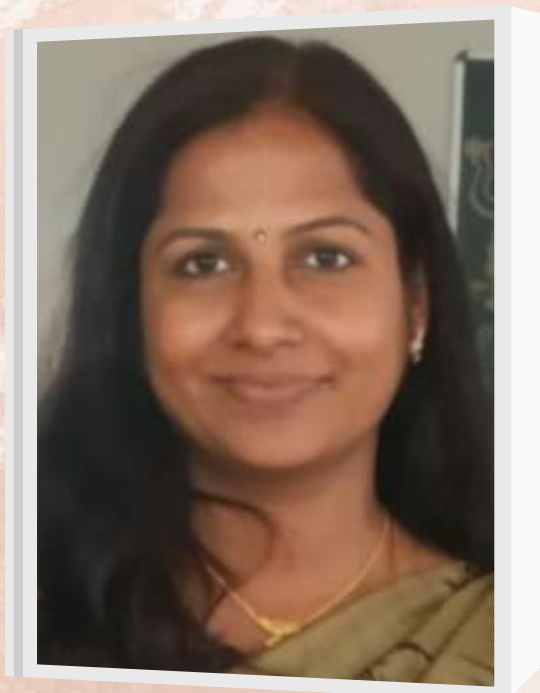
Once a teacher asked her students a simple question: "Who is your hero?" The classroom immediately came alive with excitement. Some children proudly named their favourite cricketers, others spoke about movie stars, scientists, pop icons, singers, dancers and even superheroes. Then, one little hand went up. When the teacher asked, "Who is your hero?", the child smiled and said, "A Soldier."

For a moment, the classroom fell silent. That simple word carried a profound message. They reminded everyone that true heroes are not always the ones we see on television or read about in magazines. Some heroes quietly stand guard at our borders, putting the safety of millions before their own comfort and happiness.

A hero is not someone who is famous or admired only for achievements. A true hero is someone who inspires us through courage, integrity, compassion, and selfless service. Our soldiers embody these values every single day. They endure harsh weather, stay away from their families for months, and put the safety of our nation above their own comfort, so that we can live, learn, and dream in peace.

Although not everyone will become a soldier, individuals can be heroes in daily life. Heroism manifests in small acts of kindness and courage—such as including a lonely classmate, helping a struggling friend, speaking kindly, showing empathy, standing up against bullying, maintaining honesty, and treating others with respect. Heroism is not always found on a battlefield; often, it is found in the small acts of kindness and courage we show each day.

The values our soldiers live by—discipline, dedication, selflessness, and love for the nation—are values that each one of us can practice in our own lives. By becoming responsible citizens and compassionate human beings, we pay the finest tribute to the brave men and women who protect our country.



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TEACHER SPEAK

World Photography Day – 19th August 2026

Alfred Eisenstaedt, one of the great photojournalists of the twentieth century, once said: “a camera doesn't create a great photograph. A photographer's ability to observe, connect, and recognise a moment does.”

Let me ask the very obvious question: how many of you like photography, at least as a hobby?

Let me tell you, it is not easy being a photographer. There are certain occupational hazards! When you see a beautiful sunset, you simply cannot walk away without taking a picture. When it rains, while everyone else looks for an umbrella, we look for our camera. At a restaurant, before we take the first bite, we have to photograph the food. When we travel, others see places; we look for the stories within them. At every function, while everyone else is enjoying the moment, we are often somewhere behind the camera.

Eventually, even without a camera, we keep seeing the world through a photographer's eyes – the light, the shadows, the little details we'd otherwise miss.

Then comes another realisation: a camera has its limitations. There are moments, emotions and beauty that no camera can truly capture. There are sunsets that are more beautiful when simply watched, laughter that is better experienced than photographed, and moments that lose something when we try to freeze them.

Because becoming a photographer is not simply about taking more photographs. It changes the way you look at nature, at people, at life – and eventually, at yourself.

And ironically, the more you learn, the lesser photographs you may take. You begin to look at a scene and instinctively know: Is this worth capturing? Will this photograph say something? Is this the right moment?

You begin to anticipate the moment, that perfect fraction of a second – just before the smile, just before the bird takes flight. A photographer doesn't just capture a moment. A photographer learns to recognise the moment.

And strangely, the camera connects us emotionally to our subject. When we photograph a smiling child, we smile too. When we capture a bird in flight, for a moment, we feel like we're flying with it. And when we photograph moments of sadness, we feel that sadness too.

And years later, looking back at that photograph, something magical happens – we don't just see the picture, we don't just remember the moment, we remember what we felt.

As a profession, photography can be challenging. It demands patience, creativity, observation, technical skill, the courage to stand alone, and, above all, the ability to connect with people and situations. But it can also be deeply fulfilling. You get to tell stories, meet people, explore places, document history, create art, and sometimes give a voice to people or moments that may otherwise go unnoticed.

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And perhaps the greatest reward of being a photographer is the satisfaction that you get while looking at a photograph you have taken and knowing that you were there, you saw it, you recognised the moment, and you captured it.

Not everyone who takes a picture is a photographer. A photographer is someone who has learned to see life differently. And once you learn to see that way, you can never look at the world quite the same again.

That's why they say, Photography can not be taught, but can be learned.



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