

SANTHOSHA SAMACHAR

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Dear Parents and Well-Wishers,

Greetings in the matchless name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! We count it a great joy and privilege to care for and nurture your children at Santhosha Vidhyalaya. Your sacrificial obedience to God's call inspires us, and we consider it a sacred responsibility to walk alongside your children in this season of their lives.



The little ones in Class I have gradually settled into school life. It is heartening to see them becoming increasingly independent and resilient—truly a sign of God's grace upon them. They are learning to read simple sentences and beginning to write with confidence. Thank you for your prayers!



The South-West monsoon has graced us with cool showers, bringing a refreshing rhythm to campus life. By God's mercy, the general health condition of our children and staff remains good.



Theme of the Year: "Fan the Flame"

We are glad to share that the theme for this year's Annual Prize Day, scheduled on 29th August, is "Fan the Flame", inspired by Paul's exhortation to Timothy (2 Timothy 1:6). We aim to rekindle the gifts God has placed in our children, encouraging them to pursue growth in character, knowledge, and faith.



As a community, we also paused to remember with deep gratitude two stalwarts who significantly contributed to the growth and vision of SV—Ivan Uncle (Mr. Ivan Balasingh) and Nesa Aunty (Ms. Nesaruthina Carunia)—on their respective remembrance days, 25th and 29th July. Their lives continue to inspire and remind us of faithful service.

A word to our dear alumni—your visits mean the world to the children. For them, your stories, hugs, and smiles are like a much-needed tonic. We warmly welcome you to come, connect, and encourage the next generation of SVians!

As we journey ahead, may this be a year where our vibrant learners rise on wings like eagles. We continue to uphold each child in prayer, trusting that the Lord who began a good work in them will be faithful to complete it. May they shine like stars in this world, bringing light to many.



In His Service,

Lydia Premakumari,

Principal

Santhosha Vidhyalaya - Dohnavur.

Great things begin with a spark.
Fan the flame, and let it grow into
purpose





Leadership in Action: President's Visit Enhances School Focus

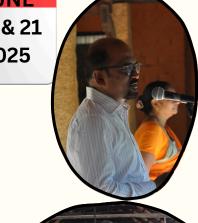
We were honored to have our school president, Mr. Prince Josiah Jeyaraj, visit us recently.

He began the day by sharing a meaningful thought from the Bible during the morning assembly.

Following the assembly, he held meetings with staff members from various departments across the campus. His time with them was focused on understanding ongoing needs, offering guidance, and discussing ways to strengthen and enhance the overall functioning of the school.

His visit was truly encouraging, reflecting his commitment to the growth and well-being of our school community.

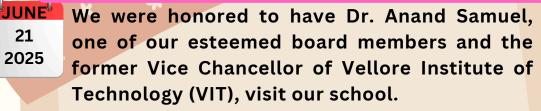
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Inspiring Sessions with Dr. Anand Samuel

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Dr. Samuel conducted a meaningful session with the teachers, focusing on personal growth and the collective development of the school. also addressed the senior students.

motivating them to dream big, stay focused, their goals and strive towards determination.

We are deeply thankful for his visit and the time he invested in guiding and uplifting our school community.







Staff Development Programme Held at Courtallam

To kick off the new academic year, our staff participated in a rejuvenating and enriching development programme held at Courtallam. The sessions were led by a passionate team from FMPB, including Mr. Manova Premkumar, Principal of Carmel School, Trichy, and Mr. Yogaraj and Mrs. Beryl Yogaraj.

The programme focused on enhancing teaching techniques through insightful sessions, interactive discussions, and creative approaches to classroom engagement. In addition, a variety of team-building games and activities brought energy, laughter, and bonding among the staff.

The scenic setting of Courtallam added to the experience, as teachers also enjoyed a refreshing visit to the waterfalls. It was a time of learning, fellowship, and renewal—setting a strong and positive tone for the academic year ahead.







Hands-On Workshops with Mr. Allen Benjamin







We were blessed to have Mr. Allen Benjamin from World Vision's International Office lead two engaging, activity-based workshops—one for teaching staff and another for non-teaching staff. Each session was filled with teamwork, practical learning, and meaningful insights tailored to our unique roles at Santhosha Vidhyalaya.

Drawing from the Bible, he shared a powerful message on being the salt and light in our workplace and community, encouraging the staff to live out their faith with purpose and impact. His interactive approach made the experience both fun and unforgettable. We are thankful for his time, wisdom, and the way he inspired us to shine brighter in our calling as educators.

Back Where Hearts Belonged!

A Joyful and Emotional Start to the New Academic Year Our school reopened on June 9, marking the beginning of the academic year 2025–2026. As a residential school, the first day brought a mix of emotions. Parents left their children with teary eyes and heartfelt goodbyes, entrusting them once again into our care.



For the students, it was a joyful reunion with friends and teachers after a long holiday. Laughter echoed across the campus as old bonds were rekindled and new memories began to form. The day was filled with both tears and joy, setting the tone for a year of growth, learning, and togetherness in our school family.

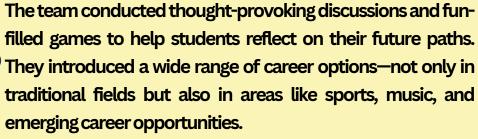
The campus came alive once more—and the journey had begun!

DREAMS GUIDED, DOUBTS CLEARED!





A meaningful career guidance session was held for our senior students, led by a dedicated team from FMPB under the leadership of Rev.K. Prabhakara Sarathy along with Mr. Sam Jebin Manohar, Mr. Sam Mohan, Mr. Anban, Mr. Vasanth Davis, Mr John Kingsly Thomas - all from FMPB, Bangaluru. The session was highly interactive and engaging, encouraging students to explore their strengths and aspirations.



It was an eye-opening experience that inspired our students to think beyond boundaries and make informed choices about their future.







NEW MEMBER TO THE BOARD



The Santhosha Educational Society convened its Annual General Body Meeting on 20 June 2025, marking 43 years of God's unfailing faithfulness.

We were also glad to welcome Mr. Daniel Devadoss (Class of 1990) as the newest third alumnus to join, reflecting the growing leadership of our alumni in shaping the future.

STUDENT ELECTIONS HELD

The student election campaign at Santhosha Vidhyalaya came alive with energy as posters went up, promises were made, and young voices rose with passion.

Aspiring leaders took the stage to share their vision, winning hearts and practicing the true spirit of leadership, responsibility, and democracy.

It was more than just an election—it was a powerful learning experience in values and the courage to lead!



PLEDGING TO LEAD WITH PURPOSE INVESTITURE CEREMONY 2025



The Investiture Ceremony for the academic year 2025–2026 was held on June 27 with solemnity and pride. We were delighted to welcome our former Mathematics teacher, Miss. Manimehalai, as the chief guest for the occasion.

During the ceremony, the newly elected school cabinet members were honored with their badges. Jason Murmu of Class XII was elected as the School President, and Jane Akilah of Class XII as the Vice President. The entire cabinet took an oath to uphold their responsibilities with integrity and commitment.



The event marked a significant moment in nurturing leadership among students and encouraging them to lead by example. It was a proud and inspiring occasion for the entire school community.

WHEN LAUGHTER ECHOED THROUGH THE HALLS OF SV!

An Uplifting Session with Our Alumnus Mr. Paulraj (Batch of 1998)

We were delighted to welcome Mr. Paulraj, a cherished alumnus from the batch of 1998, back to our school for a special interaction with students from Grade VIII and above. He delivered a lively stand-up comedy session that had everyone in stitches. His performance brought smiles to every face and offered a joyful break from the daily routine. It was a memorable experience for the students, reminding us of the warmth and continued connection we share with our alumni.



EDUPIER SESSIONS ON VALUE EDUCATION AND EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE





We were glad to welcome Mr. Peter Christopher, Mrs. Vasantha Peter, and Ms. Arthini Paulraj from Edupier for a special session on Value Education Curriculum, which will soon be piloted for Classes VI to VIII. The session focused on shaping values in young minds through engaging and age- appropriate learning.

In addition, Mrs. Vasantha Peter and Ms. Arthini Paulraj conducted a meaningful session for the staff on Emotional Intelligence, encouraging teachers to reflect on self-awareness, empathy, and effective communication in the school environment. The sessions were insightful and greatly appreciated by both staff and students.



A NIGHT OF HARMONY AND HEARTFELT GUIDANCE



We were delighted to welcome Mr. Mohan and his family to our school for a special time of interaction and music. The visit included a unique session with our wardens and teachers, which was both engaging and meaningful.

Mrs. Janice, a gifted musician, conducted training sessions for our students in violin and brass band. Her expertise and patient instruction left a deep impression on both students and staff. The day concluded with a beautiful evening performance by the family, filling the campus with the joy of music.

The entire experience was enriching and enjoyable, leaving us refreshed and inspired. We are truly grateful for their visit and the valuable time they spent with us.



SPORTS

VICTORY SECURED!



SVIANS SCOOPED! IT ALL AT THE ZONALS! The U-14 boys' football team of SV registered an impressive 2-0 win over Pushpalatha in the Tirunelveli District Football Tournament. The team displayed excellent coordination applause from all quarters.

A CLEANSWEEP OF VICTORY!

Santhosha Vidhyalaya was beaming with pride as our student athletes dominated the Zonal-level competitions with unmatched spirit and strength.

Boys' teams in U-14, U-17, and U-19 categories emerged as winners.

Girls' U-17 team also clinched the winning title.



ZONAL CHESS CHAMPIONS!

Jeswin John Matthew of class XII secured the 2nd place, and Jeba Gracia of class XI clinched the 3rd place in the Zonal Chess Tournament. A proud moment for our school as our young minds showed strategy, focus, and brilliance on the board.



ENERGY UNLEASHED! MINI SPORTS DAY



Our young stars lit up the field on Mini Sports Day with passion, power, and pure joy! Every race echoed determination — every smile spoke of victory!

MEDICAL CHECK-UP FOR STUDENTS

Our school organized a comprehensive medical check-up for all students as part of our commitment to their well-being. Dr. Albert from Parama Suga Salai Hospital graciously conducted the health examinations.

Each student underwent a basic health assessment to help the school monitor and maintain their physical well-being. This initiative was an essential step in ensuring that students remain healthy and receive timely care if needed. We extend our sincere thanks to Dr. Albert and his team for their valuable service and support in caring for our students' health.



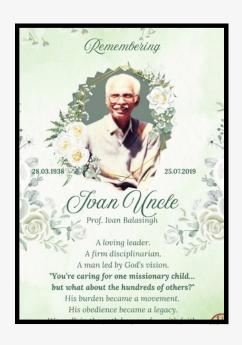


Remembering our Beloved Uncle Ivan

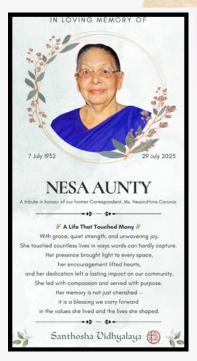
On July 25, we solemnly remembered Prof. Ivan Balasing, one of the pioneering visionaries of our school, on his death anniversary. His life was a testimony of steadfast dedication, compassion, and a deep concern for the well-being of both missionary children and staff.

Prof. Ivan's passion for education was not just about academics, but about nurturing values, shaping character, and building a generation rooted in purpose. His efforts laid a strong foundation on which our school continues to grow. His vision continues to inspire us—to educate with love, lead with humility, and serve with integrity.

As we paused to reflect on his life and legacy, we were once again reminded that we are part of a greater story—one that began with a man whose heart beat for others. May we carry forward his torch with the same zeal and selfless spirit.



Honouring Ms. Nesarathna Carunya



We also took time to fondly remember Ms. Nesarathna Carunya, our former Correspondent who faithfully served our school for many years. Her leadership was marked by quiet strength, consistent support, and a deep commitment to the well-being of both staff and students. Ms. Carunya stood as a strong pillar alongside the founder, Prof. Ivan Balasing, upholding his vision and values with dedication. Her gracious presence and unwavering encouragement helped guide the school through many important seasons.

We remain ever grateful for her contribution to the growth and stability of our institution. Her legacy continues to inspire us to serve with humility, faithfulness, and purpose.

ANNUAL SPORTS MEET 2025

Our Annual Sports Meet was held on July 25 with great enthusiasm and grandeur. We were honored to have Mr. Ganesh Damotharan, one of our distinguished alumni, as the chief guest for the event.

The day was packed with excitement—featuring a variety of athletic events, colorful dance performances, energetic mass drills, and a vibrant fancy dress competition. Students participated actively, showcasing their talents, determination, and team spirit.

All the winners were awarded for their achievements, and the chief guest delivered an inspiring speech that motivated students to pursue excellence both on and off the field.

The highlight of the day was the announcement of the house championship—Walker House proudly emerged as the overall winner. It was a day to remember, celebrating sportsmanship, unity, and school spirit.







"Victory lies in effort, not just the score!"

UPCOMING EVENTS

FIRST MID-TERM EXAM



INDEPENDENCE DAY



ANNUAL AWARDS DAY



TEACHERS' DAY



STUDENTS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



FIRST TERMINAL EXAM



QUARTERLY HOLIDAYS





